



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

In your charity, please pray for our sick

Jordon Cox, Susie, Margaret Livingstone, Anna, Darrell Callinan, Andrew Mosey, Donald, Xi, Susie, Vladimir, Charles, Patricia Jones, Jhonny Effendy, Evelyn Ceniza Grytberg, Steven Mauger, Paul Garnett, Yuki, Tracy Press, Bernie King, Kevin Burke, Anne McEvoy, Mary Sidaway, Joan Guyer, Bryan Burgess, Bruce Albans, Carol Costales, Jay-Rikilee-Addison Peachey, Judy Peachy, Catherine Robinson, Chris O'Sullivan, Claire Borchard, Ginavis Naw Pha Day, Anna Gawlik, Fr John Willis, Jo O'Sullivan, Gabriel Clarke, Sr. Deirdre Browne IBVM, Fay Crocker, Sayde Baladia, Patrick Lawler, Narelle Albans, Julien Ryan, Rhonda Lawler

Our Deceased

Tracy Press, Allan Thorn, Colin Harvey, Kerry York, Emma Velasco, John Schneider, Darrin Aldenson, Sharon Peachy, Sister Arcadius Guthrie, Maurice Bruccoleri, Susan Le Cerf, Lorraine Guyer, Bernie Callinan, Louise O'Halloran, Dean William York, Kevin Lane, Concetta "Connie" Bruccoleri, Joyce Bevan, Anna Anderson, Trish Thornberry, Michael Joseph Markham

Anniversary of Death

Concepcion Llave, Barry Morris, Vernon Turner, Margaret Barbara, John Grace

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

ROSARY GROUP

Meet in private homes at 10am on Wednesdays
 For information contact Dulcie Johns Ph: 6762 1092

MOTHERS' PRAYERS

Monday, prayers for our children and all children throughout the world. For more information contact Trish Tighe Ph: 0427657259

ST VINCENT de PAUL

St Edward's Visiting Conference

Meeting every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 4pm.
 For more information contact Cathy Norvill Ph: 0421 591 046

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP - White Ants

For more information or to join the White Ants Family Group ring Sandra Ph: 0408 659 971 or Kerry Ph: 0427 367 628

ST EDWARD'S CHOIR & MUSIC MINISTRY

The St Edward's Parish Choir is always ready to welcome new members. For more information contact Liz Hearne Ph: 0403137810

ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL READING SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS

When: Any week day from 9-11am

Where: Infants and Primary campus

What you need: A volunteer Working With Children Check which can be obtained free of charge from Service NSW.
 Ring Primary School on 67657847 or Infants on 67658569



"Anointing of the Sick" is a Sacrament that brings God's grace and healing to the sick and the elderly. Anointing can offer spiritual comfort, peace, and strength during times of illness and of old age.

Here in our parish, anointing will be every first weekend after each mass. Home-bound elderly parishioners, parishioners in hospital or in nursing homes can receive the anointing from a priest. A visit can be arranged by informing the parish and the priest.

THIS SUNDAY MASS IS FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



A Message from Deacon Allem James Alba

As we celebrate Vocation Sunday today, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you who supported me, prayed for me, and attended my Ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons on 2 February 2026.

This day reminds us that every vocation is first and foremost a gift from God, born not from our own merit, but from His love and mercy. I am deeply humbled that the Lord has called me to serve His Church in this way, and I recognise that this calling has been nurtured and sustained through your prayers, encouragement, and witness.

I am truly blessed and grateful to be part of your journey as a parish community, and I am equally honoured to have you share in mine. As I continue to grow in this ministry, I entrust everything to the Lord, trusting that He who has begun this good work will bring it to fulfilment.

Please be assured of my prayers for each of you, and I humbly ask that you continue to pray for me as I take the next step in my ministry.

Deacon Allem James Alba

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLAN GIVING ENVELOPES 26-27

It's time to place our envelope order for the next Financial Year. If you would like to contribute to the needs of the parish by joining our Planned Giving Program please call the office at 6765-9543 or email southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au or approach Fr Roel (for new contributors only). For those who want to change from envelopes to direct debit, please contact or email the office.

LITURGY ROSTER FOR THE 2ND HALF OF THE YEAR

We will be making up the roster for the 2nd half of the year. If you are happy to continue on the Roster you don't need to do anything. If you would like to change or be removed, please contact the office at 6765 9543. New volunteers for reader, EMCH or Piety are welcome. Just inform the office or approach Fr. Roel.

Heart of Peace (HOPE) is a social justice ministry of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale. Offering free and healthy meals for everyone. MHOC Church Hall, 72 Hillvue Road, South Tamworth every Wednesday.

NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: please email: hopekitchen2340@gmail.com
 Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/hopekitchen>



Please ensure that your children are accompanied when leaving the Church during the Mass to go to the toilet or for any other reason.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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| 1st Collection | - \$ 728.25 | Planned Giving | - \$ 743.00 |
| Loose | - \$ 94.35 | Easter Dues | - \$ 1,370.30 |
| Good Friday | - \$ 982.05 | P Compassion | - \$ 1,964.05 |
| March EFT | - \$ 1,332.00 | March TAP | - \$ 441.29 |

Collections- do you know the difference?

The 1st Collection goes into the Presbytery account for the support of the priests—in appointments in our Parish and across the Diocese as well as those in retirement

2nd Collection goes into the Parish or Church account to support the Parish activities and upkeep of all the buildings (including insurance)

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people.

Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love.

Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and ardent but gentle servants of the gospel.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Eternal High Priest, Amen.

St John the Baptist, Pray for us.

St John Vianney, Pray for us.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

FIRST EUCHARIST INFORMATION NIGHT

Tuesday, 05th May at 5:30 pm

First Communion

Sunday, 21st June at 9:00 am

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

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| Monday | | 08.00 am |
| Tuesday | School Mass | 09.30 am |
| Wednesday | | 09.30 am |
| Thursday | | 09.30 am |
| Friday | | 09.30 am |

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| Saturday | | 05.30 pm |
| Sunday | | 09.00 am |
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| 1st Friday Adoration | | 08.15 am |
| 1st Saturday Mass | | 09.30 am |

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| 3rd Saturday Mass | | |
| Oak Tree Retirement Village | | 10.00 am |
| 2nd/4th Sunday Mass | | |
| Tamworth Age Care | | 11.00 am |

Confessions

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| Saturday | 04.45 pm to 05.15 pm |
| Sunday | 08.15 am to 08.45 am |
| | 04.45 pm to 05.15 pm |

Baptism

by appointment/Online booking:
<https://stedwardsparish.org.au/sacraments/>

Wedding, Anointing of the Sick & Funeral

By appointment

Sick List

If you would like to add someone to our sick list please use the "sick list prayer request form" placed in the blue folder at the foyer.

Visitation

If there is a parishioner whom you know would appreciate a visit from a priest, please contact the Parish Office.

MINISTRY ROSTER

25- 26 April— FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| Reader | EMHC | Piety | Counters |
| Saturday 5.30 pm G. York | K. Pearson | R. Stortenbeker | G. Tighe & F. Gooley |
| Sunday 9.00 am A. Millman | B. Simpson | C. Norvill | |
| Sunday 5.30 pm P. Frost | K. Keating | E. Hearne | |

02- 03 May— FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| Reader | EMHC | Piety | Counters |
| Saturday 5.30 pm H. Harvey | G. Smith | J. Milne | C. Norvill & H. Harvey |
| Sunday 9.00 am C. Kelly | Y. Benning | O. Robson | |
| Sunday 5.30 pm J. McKenzie | D. Stevens | J. McKenzie | |

On Church Giving

To support the priests (active, sick, and retired) 1st Collection
A/C Name: St. Edwards Church Presbytery Savings Account
BSB: 082 105 A/C No.: 001023592

To support the Church (Planned Giving Program—PGP):
A/C Name: St. Edwards Church Suspense Account
BSB: 082 105 A/C No.: 001002950

Reference: First + Last Name

Reference: Envelope Number + Last Name

What return shall I make to the Lord, for all God has given me?

Thank you for making a gift to support the important work of our parish. We sincerely appreciate your generosity!