



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

Brian Sullivan, 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, 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

Bernie King, 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

Peter Richard Whitney, Robert Hall, Gwen Foster, Edward Parsons, Patrick Grace, Peter Gooley, Ted Parson, Ted Owen, Dale Herden, Chris Struck, Bernie Bannester, Lance Bannester

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, 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

It is with regret we announce that after 65 years our St. Edwards Conference of SVDP is inactive/abeyant. The Catholic Weekly is still available at all Masses.

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.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Parish Sacramental Program for First Eucharist will start on 28 May at 4:30pm at Presbytery office

First Communion, Sunday 21 June at 9:00 am

LIFE RALLY IN SYDNEY

Every day in New South Wales, unborn children lose their lives - right up to 40 weeks of pregnancy. It is happening here. And it is happening now.

We cannot stay silent.

On the eve of a critical vote in NSW Parliament, we are calling on Australians to gather in Sydney on 2nd June for a powerful Rally for Life and to stand for those who have no voice.

The very next day, John Ruddick will bring forward a bill to ban sex-selective abortion which is one of the most disturbing practices in our country. This is where babies are targeted and killed simply because they are a boy or a girl.

New research from Edith Cowan University has confirmed this is happening in Australia. Yet our laws do nothing.

This rally is our moment to be seen and to be heard. A clear message to every MP: the public is watching, and we expect action.

If 20,000 Australians stand together on June 2, we believe this bill can pass.

Numbers matter. Your presence matters.

More information and where to meet are found here: [Sydney Rally For Life 2026](https://www.lifeinaction.org.au/sydney-rally-for-life-2026) or use the QR code.



NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLAN GIVING ENVELOPES 26-27

For those who want to join 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

The roster for the 2nd half of the year will be finalized soon. We can still accept new volunteers for reader, EMCH or Piety until **31st May 2026**. If you would like to change or be removed, please contact the office at 6765 9543 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

1st Collection	-	\$ 1,021.80	Planned Giving	-	\$ 674.45
Loose	-	\$ 136.75	April TAP	-	\$ 331.14
April EFT	-	\$ 1,002.00			

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)

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
Reference: First + Last Name

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

May is a month devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary



Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians Patron of Australia

May 24, 2026, 9 am Mass

(Followed by Morning Tea)

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

Monday	08.00 am
Tuesday-Wednesday	NO MASS
Thursday	09.30 am
Friday	09.30 am

Saturday	05.30 pm
Sunday	09.00 am 05.30 pm

1st Friday Adoration	08.15 am
1st Saturday Mass	09.30 am
3rd Saturday Mass	
Oak Tree Retirement Village	10.00 am
2nd/4th Sunday Mass	
Tamworth Age Care	11.00 am

Confessions

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

23- 24 May— PENTECOST SUNDAY—Year A

Reader	EMHC	Piety	Counters
Saturday 5.30 pm D. Sullivan	G. Smith	J. Milne	
Sunday 9.00 am SCHOOL MASS	B. Simpson	R. Evans	R. Gorman & G. Crocker
Sunday 5.30 pm M. McKenzie	K. Keating	J. McKenzie	

30- 31 May— The Most Holy TRINITY—Year A

Reader	EMHC	Piety	Counters
Saturday 5.30 pm J. Milne	T. Tighe	D. Sullivan	
Sunday 9.00 am F. Gooley	Y. Benning	H. McCluand	P & C Frost
Sunday 5.30 pm K. Lopez	D. Stevens	C. Frost	