In your charity, please pray for our sick

Anna, Martin Fardy, Vlad, Brian Sullivan, Jordon Cox, Susie, Margaret Livingstone, Anna, Darrell Callinan, Andrew Mosey, Donald, Xi, Susie, Vladimir, Charles, 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, Harold, Masoud, Jared, Charles, Li, Ingrid, Wang, Anna

Our Deceased

Gregory John Hungerford, Katelyn Wall, Naomi Newbury, Colin Middleton, Jenny York, Barry Carl Mathes, Fr. Bernie Frize, William John Pearce, Ivan Petch, Eileen Mary Griffiths, Fr. Michael Mullane, Carol Ham, Fr. Joe Adriano, SJ Murrie, Jim Moriarty, Sharon Peachy

Anniversary of Death

Jill Mifsud, Henry Mifsud, Godofredo Vivar, Ted Constant, Vera Benning, Adrianne Meffem, Kevin Gorman, Murray Thorn, Neville Herden, Sr. Gemma Burke RSM, Anne Burke, Kevin Ferguson, Bong Lacuesta, Lindsay Hobson, Agnes Michell, Bernard Andren



EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2028

In preparation for the International Eucharist Congress, Sydney 2028 (Eucharist28), the Diocese of Armidale will be joining the Catholic Church in Australia in a year of prayer to prepare for this moment of grace.

By praying together, we open our hearts to the transformative work Jesus desires to do in our lives, readying ourselves for the profound encounter that Eucharist28 invites.

We invite you to join us as we take our first steps toward Eucharist28 – gathering in adoration, prayer, and hopeful anticipation of all that God has in store. Join us in our First Friday Adoration.

Please contact the parish office by phone: 6765 9543 or email southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au or see Fr. Roel after Mass if you are interested in taking part.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

ROSARY GROUP
Meet in private homes at 10 am 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

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 weekday from 9-11 am
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

HEART OF PEACE (HOPE)
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*

Eucharist28 Update: Eternal Life in the Eucharist

The International Eucharistic Congress (Eucharist28) is coming to Sydney in 2028.

At every Mass, the celebration of the Eucharist is a moment of communion, where we are united in Christ, who's body and blood we share.

In the Scriptures, Jesus tells us, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day." (John 6:54). Through the Eucharist, Christ unites us to Himself and draws us into the eternal life He promises.

This invitation is for everyone, even those who have died. At each Mass, the Church offers the Eucharist sacrifice for the faithful departed that they may experience eternal life and unity with Christ.

To help your parish and community experience this moment of Eucharistic renewal on the journey to Eucharist28, head to eucharist28.org for more.

MINISTRY ROSTER

10– 11 October— 28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME—Year A

	Reader	EMHC	Piety	
Saturday 5.30 pm	G. Tighe	K. Pearson	R. Stortenbeker	Counters
Sunday 9.00 am	B. Bruccoleri	E. Elsely		J. MacRae & J. Milne
Sunday 5.30 pm	P. Frost	K. Keating	E. Hearne	

17– 18 October— 29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME—Year A

	Reader	EMHC	Piety	
Saturday 5.30 pm	D. Sullivan	G. Smith	J. Milne	Counters
Sunday 9.00 am	F. Gooley	J. MacRae	O. Robson	S. Cunneen && T. Hill
Sunday 5.30 pm	B. Barry	D. Stevens	J. McKenzie	

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

EUCHARISTIC ROSARY PROCESSION

Everyone is invited to a **Eucharistic Rosary Procession** on **Fri 16th Oct, commencing at 7.30 pm in the chapel at Nazareth Care**. Please bring a plate to share for supper. Catholic goods are available to purchase from the Frassati Society (cash and bank transfer only).

PARISH SPECIAL GATHERING AND MASS FOR HOMEBOUNDS

Everyone is invited to join and gather as one in a Eucharistic Celebration for **"Homebounds" and the Feast of St. Edward on 13th October at 2:00 pm** followed by "Afternoon Tea". Volunteers are welcome to help elderly homebounds to come to the church.

Catholic Mission Special Collection

We are having a special collection all weekend on **17 and 18 October 2026**. You are invited to partner with Catholic Mission and the Church in Malawi as we support families rebuilding after devastating floods and help children access education close to home.



WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Our Parish community warmly welcomes the family of ***Zayarnah Rudina Florence Cutmore*** who will be baptised in our parish this weekend.

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

10	Oct	Public Rosary Rally, 4.30 pm at St Edward's Parish
13	Oct	Feast of St. Edward (Mass for Homebound)
18	Oct	Mission Sunday
26-30	Oct	Clergy Retreat
22	Nov	World Youth Day (Diocesan Celebrations)
29	Nov	First Sunday of Advent
12	Dec	Anniversary of Dedication of Saints Mary and Joseph's Cathedral, Armidale
12	Dec	Priestly Ordination of Rev. Deacon Allem Alba

OUR PARISH COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING

Our Parish is committed to the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards and has a zero-tolerance approach to abuse. This is everyone's responsibility. If you have any concerns or feedback, please contact the Parish/Parish Priest/Safeguarding Contact Person and our Diocesan Safeguarding and Professional Standards Office on (02) 6771 8700 or safeguarding@armidale.catholic.org.au

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

Monday		08.00 am
Tuesday	HOMEBOUND	02.00 pm
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

"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.

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.

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

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1st Collection	-	**$ 621.90**
Planned Giving	-	**$ 824.00**
Loose	-	**$ 123.85**
September TAP	-	**$ 628.72**
September EFT	-	**$ 1,092.00**

Collections– do you know the difference?

The **1st Collection** goes into the Presbytery account to support 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)

For those who wish to donate and join the Plan Giving Program, please get in touch with the Parish Office for the details.

Second reading **Philippians 4:12-14,19-20**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philippians.

With the help of the One who gives me strength, there is nothing I cannot master.

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation **cf Ephesians 1:17. 18**

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel **Matthew 22:1-14**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Invite everyone you can to the wedding

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.' **The Gospel of the Lord**

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.

ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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Belinda Barry-Cupples & Andrew Millman, Assistant Principals
Sally Clarke, REC



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME /A **11 October 2026**

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:
The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

First reading **Isaiah 25:6-10**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation.

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 22(23)**

R. I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **(R)**

2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **(R)**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **(R)**

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R)**