In your charity, please pray for our sick

Di Brown, Martin Fardy, Brian Sullivan, Jordon Cox, Susie, Margaret Livingstone, 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, 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, Kim

Our Deceased

Donald Gunn, Fr. Bernie Flood, Carol Costales, Fr. Barry Leech, 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

Adriano Llave, Lima Gorman, Don Davidson, Josip Jursic, Jill Mifsud, Henry Mifsud, Godofredo Vivar, Ted Constant, Vera Benning, Adrianne Meffem, Kevin Gorman, Murray Thorn, Neville Herden, Sr. Gemma Burke RSM, Anne Burke





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.

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*

REV. DEACON ALLEM PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION

The Catholic Diocese of Armidale cordially invites you to the **ORDINATION TO THE SACRED PRIESTHOOD of Rev. Deacon Allem James Alba on The Solemnity of the Dedication of the Armidale Cathedral, Saturday, 12 December 2026 at 11:00 am at Saints Mary and Joseph Cathedral.**

His **FIRST HOLY MASS** will be celebrated on **Gaudete Sunday, 13 December 2026 at 9:30 am at St. Nicholas Parish Church, East Tamworth**

A **THANKSGIVING MASS** marking the First Day of Simbang Gabi, **Tuesday, 15 December at 6:00 pm at St. Edward's Parish, South Tamworth**

The priest will give First Priestly Blessings after each Mass.

RSVP codes for **Ordination** and **First Holy Mass** are available at the official invitation posted on the church bulletin board.

MINISTRY ROSTER

14– 15 November— 33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – Year A

	Reader	EMHC	Piety	
Saturday 5.30 p	G. Smith	K. Pearson	D. Sullivan	Counters
Sunday 9.00 am	C. Kelly	J. MacRae	H. McCluand	G. Smith & L. Coleman
Sunday 5.30 pm	P. Frost	D. Stevens	C. Frost	

21– 22 November— Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE – Year A

	Reader	EMHC	Piety	
Saturday 5.30 p	H. Harvey	T. Tighe	R. Stortenbeker	Counters
Sunday 9.00 am	SCHOOL MASS	B. Simpson	C. Norvill	S. & J. Jackson
Sunday 5.30 pm	K. Lopez	R. Fisher	E. Hearne	

PARISH ANNUAL LUNCH 2026

The annual Parish lunch will be held on Sunday, November 29th, 2026, at 12.00 pm, at Centillion Chinese Restaurant. The cost for the last few years has been $25.00, but this year it will be $28.00 per person, plus drinks. Please add your name to the nomination form in the church foyer and provide your contact phone number. If you require transport, please get in touch with the Parish office.

Columban Art Calendar – 2027

Order form for 2027 Columban Art Calendar is available in the foyer. Calendars will be $10.00 each. If you would like to purchase, please add your name and the number of Calendars you require.

2027 Liturgy Roster

We will start compiling the **2027 Liturgy Roster**. If you would like to become a Reader at Mass or assist on the Piety Stall, please get in touch with the office at **6765 9543** or email ***southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au***

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Invites you to join

Tamworth Regional Council Annual Appreciation Lunch Sunday 22 November 2026, 11.30 am, with lunch commencing at **12.00 pm**, **Centillion Chinese Restaurant, 331 Goonoo Goonoo Road, South Tamworth**. Members and staff, together with their spouses or partners, are warmly invited to attend. Tamworth parish clergy are also welcome. This event is an opportunity to thank the members and clergy for their loyal support, ongoing commitment and contribution to the Society's Good Works in the Tamworth region.
Please RSVP by Tuesday 17 November 2026 to this email armidale@vinnies.org.au or phone 0400 301 593

CALENDAR EVENTS

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
15	Dec	Thanksgiving Mass Rev. Deacon Allem Alba St. Edward's Parish
15-23	Dec	Christmas Novena Mass (Simbang Gabi)
25	Dec	Solemnity of the Lord's Nativity

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	09.30 am
Wednesday	09.30 am
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 Mass

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1st Collection	-	**$ 759.95**
Planned Giving	-	**$ 582.00**
Loose	-	**$ 163.00**
October TAP	-	**$ 435.10**
October EFT	-	**$ 2,097.00**

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.

Gospel **Matthew 25:14-30**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

You have been faithful in small things: come and join in your master's happiness

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."'

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.

PARISH PRAYER

Loving God, Father of us all, gather and form us into a caring and welcoming parish family. May Your Holy Spirit touch our hearts for us to reach out with compassion to those in need. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd. Amen.

Mary Help of Christians... pray for us.
St Edward the Confessor... pray for us.

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.

PRAYER FOR RAIN

Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realise now, looking up into the clear, blue sky, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, which now is empty and clear! We place our trust in You. Look on our dry hills, valleys and paddocks, dear God, and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. We wait and watch for your gift of rain. Then the land will rejoice, and the rivers will sing Your praises, and our hearts will be made glad. Amen.

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

33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME/A **15 November 2026**

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:
The Lord said; I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:
To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

First reading
Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31
A reading from the book of Proverbs

A perfect wife - who can find her?

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor,
she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 127(128):1-5**

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper.

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord

2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table.

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord

3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life!

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord

Second reading **1 Thessalonians 5:1-6**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians

God will bring with him those who have died in Jesus

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober. **The word of the Lord**

Gospel Acclamation **John 15:4. 5**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!