



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

17 JANUARY 2021



Entrance Antiphon | Ps 65: 4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading | 1 Samuel 3.3-10,19

A reading from the First Book of Samuel

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 39(40):2,4,7-10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I.

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart.

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord.

Second Reading | 1 Corinthians 6.13-15,17-20

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul
to the Corinthians

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord,
and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord
from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making
up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of
Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute?
Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one
spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are
committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin
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PARTS OF THE MASS

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Credo | The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including
'and became man', all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Orate fratres

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours...

The people will stand and reply:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Mysterium fidei

Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

Libera nos

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days...

The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:

For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. (2x)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

After the Lamb of God, the people kneel.

Ecce Angus Dei

Behold the Lamb of God...

And together with the people, the priest adds:

Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

TV / ONLINE MASS

TV Mass - Channel 10, every Sunday 06.00am
St Mary's Cathedral (Sydney) | Sunday 10.30am
<https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/>

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

08 December 2020 to 08 December 2021
150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of
Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church



NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Australia Day

Tuesday 26 January 9.00am Holy Mass
followed by Morning Tea
sponsored by St Vincent de Paul
St Edward's Conference

Lenten Program

We are in need of volunteers to lead Lenten Programs. If you would like to lead or participate in a group, please complete the sheet in the foyer. Materials have to be ordered by Monday 25th January. 1st meeting will start on the 3rd week in February.

Monthly Morning Tea Organisers Needed

To volunteer please sign name on the form at the foyer.

Sick List

From the 1st weekend in February all names on the sick list will be removed. If you would like anyone to be included on the list from that date, please complete the sick list request form (blue folder) at the foyer.

Diocesan Appointments

Following consultation with the priests of the relevant Deaneries, Bishop Michael Kennedy appointed the following priests for a period of 5 years:
Fr Sabu Pulimalayil, RCJ, PP, VF- Vicar Forane of the Western Deanery
Fr Paul Aguilar, PP, VF - Vicar Forane of the Southern Deanery

Special Collection

The annual Missionary Orders Special Collection will be conducted at all weekend Masses on 13-14th February, 2021. This collection is shared equally with the Missionaries of La Salette in the Philippines and the Rogationists in India. St Edward's Parish is capped to contribute \$ 1253.00. If the target is not achieved, the parish is to make up the shortfall from the church account.

Important Dates:

02/02	09.30am	Candlemas, Blessing of Candles
03/02	10.30am	Australian Church Women Meeting
07/02		Sunday of the Word of God
11/02	09.30am	World Day of the Sick, Mass w/ anointing
17/02	7am, 12pm	Ash Wednesday
23/02	11.30am	Annual Mass for Consecrated Life Bishop Michael Kennedy, Mass Presider

COVID Safe Protocols

Facemask

Please be reminded that the following ministers are required to wear facemask when performing their duties:

- * Welcomers - facemask
- * Collectors - facemask
- * EMHC - facemask
- * Home Communion - facemask
- * Readers - facemask or use microphone sleeve
- * Priest & Deacon - facemask during holy communion

NSW Health strongly recommends (not mandatory) that people attending services in places of worship to wear a mask.

Check-in

All are required to check-in electronically by scanning the QR code at scan-points or manually record your details on the log-sheet at the foyer.

Remember to:

- * practise good hygiene
- * maintain physical distancing from people you don't live with.
- * If you are unwell, get tested and stay home.

*In your charity,
please pray for*

Our sick

Patricia Owen
Mary Anne Plater
Fr John Willis
Stephen Brown
Julien Ryan
Gordon Livingstone
Pearl Howard
Johanna Turner
Bayly Turner
Cecilia Kelly
Rita Kelly

Our Deceased

- + Salud Nepomuceno
- + Joy Makepeace
- + Jose Balquin
- + Emily Herden
- + Ronnie Umali
- + Amalia Sarrosa
- + Frank Fahy

Mass Intentions

- 18/1 + Sr Philomena Kalmund, RSJ
- 20/1 + Joy Makepeace
- 21/1 + George Benning

Roman Martyrology

- 18/1 St Athenogenes, *martyr*
- 19/1 St Canute, *king & martyr*
- 20/1 St Fabian, *pope & martyr*
- 21/1 St Agnes, *virgin & martyr*
- 22/1 St Vincent, *deacon & martyr*
- 23/1 St Asclas, *martyr*

*Omnes sancti Mártyres,
oráte pro nobis*

MASS THIS WEEK

Monday	07.00am
Tuesday to Friday	09.30am
Saturday	05.30pm
Sunday	8am, 9am, 5.30pm

BAPTISM

by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

by appointment

CONFESSIONS

Saturday & Sunday 04.45 - 05.15pm

Weekly Collection

10 January 2021

1 st Collection	\$ 612.30
Envelopes PG	\$ 801.00
Loose	\$ 29.55

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against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation | John 1.41. 17

Alleluia, alleluia!
We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.
Alleluia!

Gospel | John 1.35-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon | Cf. Ps 22.5

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.



Parish Census

May we request new parishioners to register with the parish and current parishioners to update their details by completing the Parish Census Form. Available at <https://stedwardsparish.org.au/blog-3033> and send via email:

southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au or
post to: Parish Secretary, PO Box 5002,
South Tamworth NSW 2340.

If you have any further questions please send us an email or call the office at 02 6765 9543.

Prayer for the Year of St Joseph

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

THE WORD IN OTHER WORDS

Commentary | First Reading

The call of the young boy Samuel into the Lord's service is always a favourite. It is easy to imagine the boy lying, dozing on his mat in the half-darkness, hearing the voice murmur 'Shmuel' (the Hebrew form of his name). Was it really a call, was it the old prophet calling, or just the wind in the pillars of the Temple? He has all the directness, willingness and simplicity of a child, the sort of qualities needed for the Kingdom of God. Often, however, in the same way we do not know whether an 'inspiration' is really the call of God or our own imagination. Prayer and advice help in discerning the genuine call from a madcap scheme! Others may know us better than we know ourselves, and God's call is always fitted to our true nature.

Commentary | Second Reading

The Christian community at Corinth was a troublesome lot, and seems to have lacked any resident human guide. They relied on the Holy Spirit, backed up by several letters from Paul. Here we have Paul's most forceful reason for sexual self-control: as Christ lives in us by his Spirit, all our bodily members are Christ's, and Christ is involved in every movement of them. This should give us a wonderful reverence for our bodies, knowing that we implicate Christ in all our body's activities. The most powerful expression comes in verse 16 (omitted in the public reading, perhaps as being too pointed) 'anyone who attaches himself to a prostitute is one body with her, since the two become one flesh'. This drives the lesson home: Christ, too, becomes involved with the prostitute. Christ is involved in a wonderful way in the sexual act of procreation, giving a couple the inestimable privilege and joy of sharing in God's work of creation. But Christ is also abused by a Christian's abuse of sex.

Commentary | Gospel Reading

This story of the call of the first disciples takes place in the Jordan valley, where John was baptising. The first two to be called are disciples of John, so had joined his group of those waiting for the Messiah. They were ready when John pointed him out. It is striking that Jesus first calls them to be with him, and first of all they remain with him for a time. First in our call to follow Christ comes prayer and getting to know Christ, before we can actively work for Christ and bring others to share his joy. Only after this repose with Jesus do they sprint off in their enthusiasm and bring others to join in the benefits they have received from the tranquillity of keeping company with Jesus.

*O God, protector of all who hope in you,
bless your people, keep them safe, defend them,
prepare them, that, free from sin and safe
from the enemy, they may persevere always in your
love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*