



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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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.

Our History, Our Story | 1961-2021 2011-2021

One of our acolytes, Paul Manvell a married gentleman was ordained as a Deacon of the Church in 2012. Deacon Paul was born and bred in the valley and his career saw him transferred from Tamworth, to Newcastle and then Sydney where he was installed as an acolyte in the Parramatta Diocese. He returned with his family to settle in Tamworth in 1989 and continued as an acolyte in our Parish. He commenced studies in Theology and was ordained in Mary, Help of Christians Church. He was appointed to St Edwards Parish and is a great support to both Fr Willis and Fr Paul Aguilar. Whilst still involved in his own business, his work within the Parish is appreciated. His ministry, with full support & assistance of his wife Kerry, involves preparing children from state schools for the reception of sacraments.

Deacon Paul also makes home visitation, hospital visitation as well as conducting baptisms, weddings and funeral liturgies and lends support to any committees and Parishioners that need a helping hand. Deacon Paul very much enjoys being able to tend to the various special projects that have cropped up in the Parish especially the catechesis of those interested in joining the Catholic faith - the RCIA program.

In your charity, please pray for

our sick

Fr John Willis	Shelly Howlett	Nancy Robinson
Frances Cartwright	Barry Winning	Eduardo Morales
Julien Ryan	Chris Fardy	Harryson Rits
Angela Allan	Narelle Albans	Joan de Souza
Petrina (Fardy) Keys	Peachy Family	Peter Richards
Ginavis Naw Pha Day	David Owens	Nancy Robinson
Peachy Family		

our deceased

+ Christopher Galvin	+ Sr Patricia Harrison, RSJ
+ Michael Fisher	+ Elaine White
+ Virginia Nemenio	+ Peter Ringland
+ Ivy May O'Brien	+ Ramil Costales

Roman Martyrology

31/01 St John Bosco
01/02 St Brigid of Ireland
02/02 Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary
03/02 St Blaise
04/02 St Andrew Corsini
05/02 St Agatha

Omnes sancti mártýres, oráte pro nobis

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.
☩ St Mary of the Cross...	☩ pray for us.

Lent & Holy Week 2022

Wednesday	02 March	Ash Wednesday (<i>fasting & abstinence</i>)
Sunday	03 April	Passiontide
Sunday	10 April	Palm Sunday
Thursday	14 April	Maundy Thursday
Friday	15 April	Good Friday (<i>fasting & abstinence</i>)
Sunday	17 April	Easter Sunday

Lenten Program

We are in need of volunteers to lead Lenten Programs. If you would like to lead a group, please complete the sheet in the foyer. Materials will have to be ordered by Monday 25th January. 1st meeting will start on the 28th of February.

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Australian Award

Congratulations to Mrs Denise Sullivan for being awarded Order of Australia Medal for service to the Community of Tamworth.

Candlemas

On Wednesday, 02/02 is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord & the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. During this Mass, candles used in the church and home altars are blessed. It is a day of hope and light. A time to honour the Lord as the Light of the World and to remind us that we too have that light within us. Please bring your own candles.

Feast of St Blaise

The annual blessing of throat will be held on Thursday 03/02 at the 9.30 am Mass.

Annual Mass for Consecrated Life

You are invited to join with Bishop Kennedy, Diocesan Clergy and Religious for the *Annual Mass for Consecrated Life 2022* at St Joseph's Church, Gunnedah, Tuesday 15 February at 11.00am.

Last Year's Palm Crosses

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 2. In preparation for Lent, we are collecting last year's palm crosses. You are invited to return your old palm. Please place them in the basket at the foyer.

Lenten Program

Any one who wishes to participate in a Lenten Reflection group or individual, please complete the sheet in the foyer. Materials will have to be ordered by Monday January 25. 1st meeting will start on February 28. Lenten Book costs \$7 (shipping included).

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 new list, please complete the sick list request form (blue folder) at the foyer.

Catechesis | Parish Jubilee & Plenary Indulgence

What is an Indulgence?

The following "General remarks on Indulgences" from Gift of the Indulgence summarizes the usual conditions given in the Church's law (cf. Apostolic Penitentiary, Prot. N. 39/05/I):

1. This is how an indulgence is defined in the Code of Canon Law (can. 992) and in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (n. 1471): "An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints".
2. In general, the gaining of indulgences requires certain prescribed conditions and the performance of certain prescribed work.
3. To gain indulgences, whether plenary or partial, it is necessary that the faithful be in the state of grace at least at the time the indulgenced work is completed. One must be a Catholic, not excommunicated or in schism.

Indulgences may be gained for oneself or for the poor souls, but they cannot be applied to another living person.

This cancelling of punishment comes from the treasury of Christ's infinite merits and the saints' participation in his passion and glory. In the early Church, the intercession of those awaiting martyrdom could reduce severe penance imposed on repentant sinners.

Synod on Synodality

The Church recognizes that synodality is an integral part of her very nature. Being a synodal Church finds expression in ecumenical councils, Synods of Bishops, diocesan Synods, and diocesan and parish councils. There are many ways by which we experience forms of "synodality" already across the Church. Yet being a synodal Church is not limited to these existing institutions. Indeed, synodality is not so much an event or a slogan as a style and a way of being by which the Church lives out her mission in the world. The mission of the Church requires the entire People of God to be on a journey together, with each member playing his or her crucial role, united with each other. A synodal Church walks forward in communion to pursue a common mission through the participation of each and every one of her members. The objective of this Synodal Process is not to provide a temporary or one-time experience of synodality, but rather to provide an opportunity for the entire People of God to discern together how to move forward on the path towards being a more synodal Church in the long-term.

For the health and safety of all concerned, parishioners are encouraged to comply with all relevant Public Health Orders.

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

Monday	08.30am
Tuesday	09.30am
Wednesday	09.30am
Thursday	09.30am
Friday	09.30am
Saturday	05.30pm (vigil)
Sunday	09.00am & 05.30pm

Confession

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

Baptism

by appointment

Online baptism request form:
<https://forms.gle/KUGmzVVDPR8ZhKvk6>

Wedding

by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

by appointment

Funeral

by appointment

TV / ONLINE MASS SCHEDULE

TV Mass - Channel 10, Sunday 06.00am

Online | Sunday 10.30am
St Mary's Cathedral (Sydney)
<https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/>

Melbourne Cathedral | Sunday 11.00am
<https://melbournecatholic.org/connect/mass-online>

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.

Child Safe Parish

Electronic copy of the Child Safe Parish Policy is now available online on our parish website www.stedwardsparish.org.au/safeguarding/ It is a valuable resource to keep our parish a child safe environment. All are encouraged to read the booklet.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1st Collection	\$ 699.25
Planned Giving	\$ 786.00
Loose Collection	\$ 70.00