



# ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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# He is Risen

### Easter Blessing of Homes

Easter Holy Water for the blessing of homes are available for collection at the baptismal front for free. Please bring your own bottle/container. You may use the blessing prayer below. As the rooms are sprinkled, the head of the family may read the following prayer: Make the sign of the cross (+).

Graciously hear us, Holy Lord, Almighty Father and Eternal God, that, even as You protected the homes of the Hebrew people leaving Egypt by means of the destroying angel; which homes were stained with the blood of a lamb which prefigured our Pasch in which Christ was immolated; so may you in the same manner condescend to send your holy angel from heaven that he may guard, foster, protect, visit, and defend all the inhabitants of this dwelling. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen. Pray I Our Father... I Hail Mary... I Glory be...

The remainder of the blessed water may then be placed on the home altar.

### Easter Dinner Prayer

Dear Father in Heaven, Thank you for gathering our family together today to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and the precious gift He gave to us on the cross. With great joy, we come to our Easter dinner as we continue our celebration of the ever-newness of the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. We thank you for this meal. Please bless the hands that prepared it, and bless this home. In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN.

### 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.

### MINISTRY ROSTER

16 April | 2nd Sunday of Easter - Time A

Saturday 6.00pm	<b>Reader</b> C. Nepomuceno	<b>EMHC</b> G. Smith	<b>Piety</b> J. McRae	<b>Counters this week:</b> J. McRae & J. Milne
Sunday 9.00am	A. Lilly	B. Simpson	R. Evans	<b>Counters next week:</b>
Sunday 5.30pm	L. Hearne	D. Stevens	E. Hearne	S. Cunneen & T. Hill

### *In your charity, please pray for*

#### our sick

Fr John Willis	Barry Winning	Sayde Baladia
Narelle Albans	Chris O'Sullivan	Peachy Family
Julien Ryan	Ginavis Naw Pha Day	
Patricia Jones	Paul O'Sullivan	

#### our deceased

+ Peggy Mallise	+ Judy McLoughlin	+ Peter Richards
+ Dorothy Ryan	+ James Ryan	+ Carl Empleo

#### Roman Martyrology

10/4 St Magdalene of Canossa  
11/4 St Stanislaus  
12/4 St Teresa of Los Andes  
13/4 St Martin I  
14/4 St Justin  
15/4 St Caesar de Bus

#### *Omnes sancti mártires, oráte pro nobis.*

*Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen.*

### On Church Giving

Giving is an expression of our thankfulness and praise to God. It comes from a heart of worship that recognises everything we have and give already belongs to the Lord. Our ability to earn money is a gift from God. Returning a percentage of our treasure back to God is one way that we live our faith. Just like our family households, our parish community needs financial resources in order to operate, serve, and minister. God provides for these needs through you - you ARE the parish.

#### *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 Acct  
**BSB:** 082 105 **A/C No.:** 001002950  
**Reference:** Envelope Number + last name

### Last Week's Collection

1st Collection - \$ 1,097.25 Planned Giving - \$ 743.00  
Loose - \$ 127.50

### NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Happy Easter!!!**

May your heart and your home be filled with the blessings of Easter.

#### Easter Offering

The Easter offering, formerly called "Easter dues", are used to support the clergy across the Diocese of Armidale. Thanks to everyone who has been able to make a donation. Unlike our parish here at St Edward's, some parishes do not collect sufficient funds each week to support their Parish Priest with adequate care, food and etc. Our contributions are passed on to those poor parishes with special needs. Envelopes for Easter dues are in the PGP packs. Extra envelopes are available in the foyer. Dues may also be deposited direct to:

Account Name: St Edward Presbytery Account  
BSB: 082105 A/C: 001023592 Reference: Easter + last name

#### Project Compassion

You may now return your project compassion boxes. Kindly place them in the Caritas box at the foyer.

#### Planned Giving Envelopes

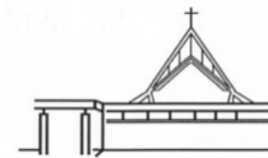
It's time to place our envelope order for the next Financial Year. If you would like to contribute to the needs of the parish by joining our Planned Giving Program please complete the form in the foyer and place in the box provided.

#### Nazareth Care (updated phone number)

Could you possibly consider becoming a volunteer and make a difference in the lives of the elderly at Nazareth Care? Please ring Sr Ana on 6761 0356, she would very much welcome a chat with you.

#### 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.



### **40th Anniversary of the Blessing & Opening of Mary Help of Christians Church South Tamworth**

17th April 1983 - 2023

## **HOPE** *Heart of Peace* **KITCHEN**

Heart of Peace (HOPE) is a social justice ministry of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale.

Offering free and healthy meals for everyone.  
Every Wednesday from 12.30pm to 1.30pm  
MHOC Church Hall, 72 Hillvue Road, South Tamworth.

New volunteers are welcome.  
To volunteer please email: hopekitchen2340@gmail.com

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### **Prayer for a New Bishop**

God our Father, in Jesus, your Son, You have given to your Church the perfect model of priest, prophet and king, and so You have blessed us through His sacrifice, taught us through His Word, and guided us through His rule.

We ask You, Father, to guide and enlighten those who will be tasked with helping to choose the next bishop of our diocese. May the man they choose be a man of deep and true prayer, a man of compassionate heart and firm resolve, and a man of joy and peace, who desires above all to do Your will.

We entrust our prayers to our Patroness, Mary, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, and ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord. 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.

### Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

#### **10 - 16 April**

#### Holy Mass

Monday	07.00am
Tuesday	09.30am
Wednesday	09.30am
Thursday	09.30am
Friday	09.30am
Saturday	05.30pm
Sunday	09.00am
	05.30pm

#### Confessions

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://stedwardsparish.org.au/sacraments/

#### Wedding

by appointment

#### Anointing of the Sick

by appointment

#### Funeral

by appointment