

ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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PRIESTS DO CRY....

- Q. Do the priests cry?
- A. Yes. They do cry....
- Q. And why does a priest cry?
- A. Priests cry for many reasons...
- O. But are priests not men of God? Why would they have to cry?
- A. Yes priests are men of God it's true but they are not super heroes nor stones. They are human beings.
- Q. But why does a priest cry?
- A. Priests cry in solitude. Surrounded by people but alone.

They cry of nostalgia for their families, for being away from the ones they love, for not being able to be with them in the good times and in the bad times, for not being close to the friends who watched us grow up.

They also cry for misunderstanding. A priest cannot get sick, feel tired, have friends or be sad, the people demand him to be perfect and no matter how many good things he does, there will be a mistake to criticise him.

They cry over frustration that sometimes even if they try and give their best, people don't respond. It's like they're fighting

They cry for powerlessness when they witness pain, problems, diseases, poverty and suffering of their sheep and they can do nothing but pray, accompany, understand and feel compas-

They also cry of happiness when they live their vocation, when they serve their neighbour, when they perceive the fruit of the mission.

They cry of love when they receive the true and selfless affection from some good people, when they feel the love of God in their lives.

Priests cry yes, alone and in silence. Refugees in the heart of

Also the priests weep in agony for their sins and miseries, because in spite of everything, they are also sinners.

That's why we pray for priests! And more than criticizing a priest, let's bend our knees and pray for him.

In your charity, please pray for

Barry Winning Fr John Willis Chris O'Sullivan Narelle Albans Patricia Jones Julien Ryan Jo O'Sullivan Peter Fardy Jerome Wong Rolando Alba

Sayde Baladia Peachy Family Ginavis Naw Pha Day Anna Gawlik

our deceased

- + Dorothy & James Ryan + Paul O'Sullivan + Brian Clark
 - + Sr Patricia Bartley, RSJ
- + Nam Hvunh
- + Sr Carole Gibbins, RSJ
- + Teoderica Javaluyas + Fr Edward Meehan, 18/06/1979

Mass Intentions

05/06 for the repose of the souls of Dorothy& James Rvan 06/06 for the repose of the soul of John Gooley, anniv. 04/06 07/06 for the repose of the souls of Theodorica Javaluyas

Roman Martyrology

05/06 St Boniface

06/06 The holy martyrs Amatius, Alexander & companions

07/06 St Robert of Newminster

08/06 Sts Medard & Gildard

09/06 Blessed Anna Maria Taigi

10/06 Martyrs of the Hulks of Rochefort

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.

On Church Giving

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*

MINISTRY ROSTER

10-11 June | Corpus Christi Sunday - A

Saturday 5.30pm	Reader C Nepomuceno	EMHC K Pearson	J	Counters this week: R Gorman & G Crocker
Sunday 9.00am	S Cunneen	B Simpson	F Moloney	Counters next week:
Sunday 5.30pm	L Hearne	Rev. P Manvell	E Hearne	J Murrie & B Burgess



June is the month of the

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Weekend | World Youth Day Appeal

The Parish is supporting two young members of our Parish community to attend World Youth Day in Lisbon during August. The pilgrim contingent from the Armidale Diocese will also travel to Fatima, Paris, Salamanca & Rome and will depart Sydney late July. In support of the South Tamworth delegation a special door collection will be held this weekend. You may also eft your donation to:

A/C Name: St Edwards Parish

BSB: 082 105 **A/C No.:** 001058473 **Reference:** WYD + Full Name

First Holy Communion

State Schools & other Private Schools Saturday 17 June 5.30pm St Edward's School Sunday 18 June 9.00am

MHOC War Memorial Bell Tower

Construction of the War Memorial Bell Tower will be completed by early June after which a dedication and blessing service will be held, and on July 4th a memorial to commemorate 100 years of Legacy will be held. The Legacy torch left Pozieres, France on ANZAC Day April 25th, and will arrive in Tamworth on July 4th in time for the remembrance ceremony. Total construction cost of the bell tower has been raised by a grant from the Department of Veterans' Affairs and donations of cash or kind (some building and supply costs have been generously donated). A memorial garden with plaques will be created adjacent to the bell tower. If you would like to contribute to the creation of the garden and ongoing maintenance of the project, kindly use the envelope in the fover. Please provide your name and details on the envelope so we can properly acknowledge your gift. Donation can also be EFTed to:

A/C Name: St Edwards Church **BSB:** 082 105 **A/C No.:** 001002950 **Reference:** Bell + First & Last Name*

*please email copy of the transaction receipt to southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au

SVdP Winter Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to express gratitude to very generous parishioners who donated to our recent Winter Appeal which raised \$1,528.10. Your donations will go directly to our local St Louise Care and Support Conference in Roderick St to provide warm clothing, bedding, food & food vouchers for members of our community who are struggling to make ends meet. Please continue to pray for those we assist as winter draws closer.

Memorial Mass for the Late Sr Pat Bartley, RSJ

Parishioners are invited to attend the memorial Mass for the late Sr Pat Bartley on Thursday 15th June at 11am at Werris Creek Church.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Closing Date 4 August 2023. More information and Applications Forms are available online pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship

Formation Opportunity | Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Flyer/Registration forms now available

The first Level of formation for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) will be run at the Holy Family Parish Centre, Armidale, June 29th - 2nd July and 6-8th October (9am-5pm daily). This is a unique formation opportunity for catechists, parents and anyone interested in helping children grow in their relationship with God. Financial subsidies available for all Parishioners of Armidale Diocese. Flyers/ Registration forms are now available at the back of the Church, or email imturner2110@gmail.com for a copy.

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.

Cuppa "n' Chat | Multicultural Conversation

To connect with local people, practice speaking English, learn something new and enjoy a "cuppa" while making new friends. Thursday 10.30am to 12.00pm beginning 01 June 2023 Centacare NENW, 201 Marius St. For more information please contact Yesy at y.sepulveda@centacarenenw.com.au or 02 6762 9209.

PRAYERS FOR A BROKEN HEART

Lord, my thoughts feel so consumed with this breakup. I feel anxious about what the future holds, and how I'll move on from this. Please help me to take my eyes off of the hurt and devastation of this breakup. Help me fix my eyes on You, knowing that You care for me.

Though I may have had my own plans for this relationship, I know Lord that Your plans are greater than mine. Please help me to place my trust in You, and Your wisdom. I ask that You would help me heal from this heartbreak. Please restore my heart, and fill me with hope for the future. Help me to move on from this breakup, and deal with any anger, or ill feelings that I may be experiencing.

I don't want to hold onto things or people that will change, I want to hold onto You. You are the only one who will never change. Help me to find my hope in You. In Jesus' name, I pray.

¥ Lord, my heart feels so shattered today. I don't know how to go through each day while my heart feels torn into pieces. No matter how much I try to grasp onto each piece, it just slips through my hands again and again. I know that You alone can mend my broken heart. Your word says that You heal the broken hearted and that You bind up their wounds.

I ask that You would heal my heart, Lord. Please bind up the wounds of my heart, and make me whole again. On my own, and in my strength I cannot face another day. But through Your healing hands, I know that You can carry me through. I give You every piece of me, knowing that You are faithful and able to make it whole. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

Last Week's Collection

1st Collection - \$ 882.60 Planned Giving - \$ 762.00 \$ 31.05 Loose -

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

05-11 June

Holy Mass

Monday 07.00am 09.30am Tuesday Wednesday to Friday No Masses earth work for

the bell tower Saturday 05.30pm Sunday 09.00am

05.30pm Confessions

Saturday Sunday

04.45pm to 05.15pm 08.15am to 08.45am 04.45pm to 05.15pm

Baptism by appointment

Online baptism request form: https://stedwardsparish.org.au/sacraments/

Wedding, Anointing of the Sick, & Funeral

by appointment