



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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Rev. Fr Roel Llave | Mmes Liz Hearne & Hilda Raquepo, *parish secretaries* | Rev. Paul Manvell, *deacon*

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.

In your charity, please pray for our sick

Bp Rob (Austin) Crapp, Fr John Willis, Barry Winning, Sayde Baladia, Narelle Albans, Chris O'Sullivan, Peachy Family, Julien Ryan, Patricia Jones, Denise Robinson, Ginavis Naw Pha Day, Jo O'Sullivan, Peter Fardy, Anna Gawlik, Pia Layson, Patrick Lawler, Catherine Robinson, Ros Dewick, Kevin Frost, Joan Guyer.

our deceased

Sr Therese Conroy RSJ, Margaret Hough, Kevin O' Toole, Brian O'Sullivan, Kathleen Ison, Cristina Arellano, Barry Robinson, Lynette Beijeman, Teresita Ortiga, Fr Morrie Clarke, Anthony Davis, Margaret Blake, Virginia Beramo, Anthony (Nguyen), Victor Stevens, Margaret Single.

Anniversaries

Joy Makepeace

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

ROSARY GROUP

Meet in private homes at 10am on Wednesdays
 For information contact Dulcie Johns Ph: 6762 1092

MOTHERS' PRAYERS

Meet in private homes at 1.30pm on Mondays to pray for our children and all children throughout the world.
 For more information contact Trish Tighe Ph: 0427657259

ST VINCENT de PAUL

St Edward's Visiting Conference
 Meet in the Church meeting room on Mondays at 4pm.
 For more information contact Cathy Norvill Ph: 0421 591 046

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

MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Free English Lessons

Members of our Parish offer free group lessons in the Church Hall on Sundays from 10am-12pm. For more information or to become a volunteer tutor (no experience needed) contact Lizzie on 0439493266 or Kerry on 0427367628.

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 week day from 9-11am
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) is a social justice ministry of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale.

Offering free and healthy meals for everyone.
 Our Hope Kitchen is back on 7th February.
 MHOC Church Hall, 72 Hillvue Road, South Tamworth.

NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 to volunteer please email: hopekitchen2340@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/hopekitchen>

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY 14/02/2024 MASSES IN TAMWORTH

St Edward's 7.00am & 10.00am (School Mass)
 St Patrick's 12 noon
 St Nicholas' 7.00am
 St Mary's 6.00pm

MISSIONARY ORDERS SPECIAL COLLECTION

For a number of years the diocese has taken up a special collection in support of the missionary work of the Orders of the La Salette's in the Philippines and the Rogationists of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in India both who have priests ministering here in the Diocese of Armidale.
 The funds from these appeals have helped to support the marginalised people in the local areas where the La Salette's and Rogationist's minister. The Missionary Orders Special Collection will be held on Sunday 11th February. You can also EFT your donation to:

Account Name: Special Collection Account

BSB: 082105 **Acc. No:** 001059638 **Reference:** Missionary Orders

LENTEN PROGRAM

Fr Roel's Lenten Groups will commence this Thursday 15 February at 10.30am and 7.00pm in the Church. Lenten program booklets are available for payment and collection from the Piety Stall for \$10.00 each, for all groups and individuals.

LENT 2024 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY, BRUCE DOWNES

Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter. Be inspired. Be refreshed. Be renewed!

For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent> Go to BruceDownes.org for more information.

REFLECTION DAY WITH SR MAUREEN M'DERMOTT - SATURDAY 9 MARCH

Through the Desert God Leads us to Freedom: Pope Francis invites us to journey with God during this Lent. During the day there will be an opportunity to open up the Lenten Message from Pope Francis. BYO Lunch. Tea and coffee provided.
 Saturday 9 March from 9.30am to 2.00pm in the West Tamworth Parish Centre.
 For more information or to RSVP please phone 67658211.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - SAVE THE DATE

This year Australian Church Women's World Day of Prayer will be hosted by our Parish, on Friday 01 March at 10.30am in the church. The theme for this year is **"I beg you... bear with one another"**. All parishioners but particularly women are invited to attend the Prayer Service and join us for morning tea.
 If you are able to volunteer to help with morning tea, greeting, etc please contact Liz Hearne in the Parish Office.

LENT & EASTER DATES 2024

Wednesday 14 February	Ash Wednesday
Sunday 24 March	Palm Sunday
Thursday 28 March	Maundy Thursday
Friday 29 March	Good Friday
Saturday 30 March	Holy Saturday
Sunday 31 March	Easter Sunday



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.



Please ensure that your children are accompanied when leaving the Church during the Mass to go to the toilet or for any other reason.

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.

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	09.30am
Ash Wednesday 07.00am & 10.00am	
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 booking:
<https://stedwardsparish.org.au/sacraments/>

Wedding, Anointing of the Sick & Funeral

by appointment

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 or the SVdP, please contact the Parish Office.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

1st Collection - \$ 777.70 Planned Giving - \$ 876.00 Loose - \$ 124.10

MINISTRY ROSTER

17-18 February - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

	Reader	EMHC	Piety	Counters this week:
Saturday 5.30 pm	C. Nepomuceno	T. Tighe	J. McRae	J. McRae & J. Milne
Sunday 9.00 am	A. Millman	B. Simpson	H. McClaund	Counters next week:
Sunday 5.30 pm	A. Soehlakaw	D. Stevens	C. Frost	S. Cunneen & T. Hill

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 Account

BSB: 082 105 **A/C No.:** 001002950

Reference: Envelope Number + Last Name

What return shall I make to the Lord, for all God has given me?

Thank you for making a gift to support the important work of our parish. We sincerely appreciate your generosity!