

Welcome to St Nicholas' Catholic Parish Tamworth

For Second Sunday of Easter (of Divine Mercy)

28th April 2019

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ENTRANCE: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: Psalter Week 2

Monday St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor
Thursday St Athanasius, bishop, doctor
Friday Sts Philip and James, apostles

'MY LORD AND MY GOD.' St Thomas was a great apostle who is believed to have preached the Good News as far afield as India. Later, he was martyred for his faith. May the risen Christ come to us, as he came to Thomas, and strengthen our faith. May we in turn express our faith by being ambassadors of mercy and reconciliation.

St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:

Monday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor
Tuesday St Mary's Mass 9am
Wednesday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
Thursday St Mary's Mass 9am
St Athanasius, bishop, doctor
Friday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
Sts Philip and James, apostles
Saturday St Nicholas' Mass 9am
Vigil Mass 6pm
Sunday St Nicholas' 9.30am & 5.30pm
St Mary's 7.30am Mass

TAMWORTH RECONCILIATION TIMES:
St Nicholas' Saturday 4pm – 5.30pm

USE OF THE PARISH TOILET- Could all parents accompany their children when they use the parish toilet at the back of the Church.

Home Visits: Any 'House Bound' Parishioners who would like a visit to their home from a Priest once a month, could you please contact the Parish office on 67662228.

Parish Bulletin Deadline - All materials to be in by midday Wednesday. Contact the Parish Office 67662228 easttamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au

Rosary & Adoration - After 7am Mass on Mondays till 8am.

COMING EVENTS

Home Rosary – Cheryl & Bill Higgins Home, May 2nd at 10.30am. Please see address in drawer at back of Church.

The next Eucharistic Adoration. Friday May 3rd 6pm to 7pm.

The Annual General Meeting of the Nazareth Care Auxiliary will be held on May 23rd in the Wattle Room at 2pm.

The next Youth Mass will be Sunday May 26th, at 5.30pm. The parts of the Mass will be covered by young people in our Parish. Those who are already rostered on this day will be contacted as a courtesy.

Home Rosary – Molly Burke's Home, June 13th at 5pm. Please see address in drawer at back of Church.

First Reconciliation 2019 – Wednesday 19th June at 6pm.

First Eucharist Masses 2019 – Saturday 22nd June 6pm
Sunday 23rd June 9.30am

Confirmation Masses 2019 – Saturday 21st September at 6pm
Sunday 22nd September at 9.30am

* Parents Information Meeting for Confirmation is Wednesday 24th July at 5.30pm (St Nicholas Church).

THE CATHOLIC GUY EVENT COMING TO ST NICHOLAS' PARISH FOUR INPIRING AND LIFE CHANGING SESSIONS 28th – 31st May 2019

Bruce Downes & the Catholic Guy team present a Catholic TV program that is screened around the world. We are delighted that Bruce and the team will be coming to our parish to present a live event over four days. Some people have heard of a Parish Mission, but this event is one that you just have to experience.

Experience the power of God in a real and relevant way through scripture, music and the arts. Expect to laugh, learn, reflect and be changed by this truly powerful Catholic experience. No matter your age or background this event is for you. Come and have an amazing experience without being asked to do anything.

Session 1: Tuesday 28th May 9.45am or 7.30pm
Session 2: Wednesday 29th May 9.45am or 7.30pm
Session 3: Thursday 30th May 9.45am or 7.30pm
Session 4: Friday 31st May 9.45am or 7.30pm

All sessions will be in our main Church building, will run for approximately 1½ hours and we will share a cup of tea or coffee together afterwards.

Flyers available at the entrance to the Church and more information available at www.TheCatholicGuy.com

Roster for Mass & Anointing to be held in 4 Nursing Homes

* Alblas – 9.30am – 1st Friday of the Month.
* Cottage Homes – 10.30am – 2nd Monday of the Month.
* Tamworth Gardens – 3rd Thursday of the Month
* Bupa – 10.30am – 4th Thursday of the Month
* Mass at Hospital Chapel – 4pm – on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 27/28 April

St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm
Commentator: G McDougall
Reader 1: E Smyth Reader 2: M Rowland
Ex Min: P McDougall
Altar Servers: A George Music: K Harvey
Collection: M Hawthorne/D Raffaele/G Cannon/B Campbell

St Mary's Sunday 7.30am
Commentator: J Newley
Reader 1: J McGuirk Reader 2: J Wallace
Ex Min: F Higgins
Altar Servers: S Downey Music: V Frost
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/J Vella/B Higgins

St Nicholas' Sunday 9.30am
Commentator: A Hamilton
Reader 1: volunteer Reader 2: D Fitzgerald
Ex Min: D Cumming/M Keys
Altar Servers: E Riley Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas' Sunday 5.30pm - YOUTH MASS

Commentator:
Reader 1: Reader 2:
Ex Min:
Altar Servers: Music:
Collection: volunteers
Counting Team: B Thompson/P Heffernan/W Higgins/P Skewes
Sacristy Roster: M Rice/G & M Moy Altar Linen: R Kinsela

Collection: 21 April 2018
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 2206.00
2nd Collection (Church A/C
- Planned Giving \$ 1781.00
- Loose Collection \$ 296.65
- Total \$ 2077.65
Good Friday Holy Places Collection \$ 687.75

Renaissance of Marriage: An Invitation to parish leadership – The PMRC & Australian Catholic Marriage & Family Council would like to invite you to consider sponsoring a representative or preferably a married couple from your parish to attend the upcoming conference. For more info www.rom.org.auor email rom@marriagerc.org or phone 02 9319 6280

Volunteers are sought to assist in the cleaning of the brass candle holder in Our Lady's chapel once every 2/3 months approx. 30-60mins. Time flexible. Ph. 0447671976 Ted or Bev.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Children will be taking part in reading two of the Prayers of the Faithful each weekend at Mass. If any other child would like to participate, please contact the Parish Office.

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse – is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26th to May 31st, 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griegtograceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more info visit www.griegtograce.org

Home Rosary Ministry - If anyone would like to host a Home Rosary, please contact the Parish Office on 67662228 or Eileen 0429667910.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 4/5 May

St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm
Commentator: S Barrett
Reader 1: B Radebe Reader 2: Sr of Naz
Ex Min: K Ackhurst
Altar Servers: E & B Scott Music: K Harvey
Collection: M Hawthorne/D Raffaele/G Cannon/B Campbell

St Mary's Sunday 7.30am
Commentator: B Stewart
Reader 1: B Virgin Reader 2: L Vella
Ex Min: J Wallace
Altar Servers: S Downey Music: V Frost
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/J Vella/B Higgins

St Nicholas' Sunday 9.30am
Commentator: volunteer
Reader 1: C Belson Reader 2: P Belson
Ex Min: R Kinsela/A Hamilton
Altar Servers: D Rajeev Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas' Sunday 5.30pm

Commentator: volunteer
Reader 1: C Dries Reader 2: T Dries
Ex Min: P Flynn
Altar Servers: S Saji Music: V Frost/R Richardson
Collection: volunteers
Counting Team: G Bryant/A McGuirk/T Barrett
Sacristy Roster: L & P Prisk Altar Linen: V Mundy

ANNIVERSARIES: April

Gerard Andren; Eileen Blanch; Patricia Booby; Bette Bradbery; Sarah Bridges; Rodney Brown; Joan Bryant; Kevin Cantwell; John Caves; Brian Chapman; Shirley Cleary; Pasquale Colangelo; Delcia Coutman; Mark Craig; Beryl Cross; Richard (Lyle) Crough; Jeanette Dick; Phyllis Egan; Thelma Evans; Henry Ferrier; Darcy Follington; Maxwell Fyffe; Noel Gerathy; Desmond Goodwin; Ian Green; Peter Groth; Beccy-Anne Gubbins; Eileen Hargreaves; Pauline Higgins; Gerard Hoban; Phillip Hogno; Dennis Hughes; Ursula Hughes; Lance Hunt; Stephen McClelland; Johnathon McRae; Lorna Major; Maureen Markham; Bettina Mitchell; Robert Mitchell; Margaret Moloney; Dorothy O'Shea; Brian Parker; Ross Prisk; Adrianna Rindo; Philomena Rose; Janice Scanlan; Betty Simpson; Megan Simpson; Lorraine Skafta; Joyce Smith; Adeline Taylor; Anna Terbeeke; Kenneth White; Marie Williams; Roy Bradbery; Dorothy White, Mervyn Ruttley.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Darren Graham; Margaret Brogan, Bill Press, Rita Sutton, Betty Garrett, Brindley Cavallaro (Sydney), Nicole Tierney, Pat Mooney, Fr Bernie Melville, Ken Mitchell, Dalton Lewis, Brian Mercovich, Dearn Law, John O'Connor, Peter McGarry, Robyn Plunkett, Kevin Frost, Sarah Sommerlad, Barry Burke (Westmead), Dot Yates.

BAPTISMS: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome **Sonny Bullen**.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: John Wall (Deceased).

We welcome new Parishioners to St Nicholas. If you have any enquiries please contact the Parish Office on 67662228 or email Fr Chris - FrOnuekwusi@armidale.catholic.org.au There are leaflets at the back of the Church that you can fill out with all your details.