

*Welcome to St Nicholas'  
Catholic Parish Tamworth  
For the  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
11<sup>th</sup> February 2018*

**Sunday cycle B Weekday cycle 1**

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*We welcome Fr Christopher Onuekwusi  
as Administrator of St Nicholas'.*

**ENTRANCE:** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

**SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: PSALTER: Wk. 2  
Wednesday ASH WEDNESDAY**

**St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St Nicholas' Mass 7am</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>St Mary's Mass 9am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
	<b>St Nicholas' Mass 7am</b>
	<b>St Mary's Mass 6pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>St Mary's Mass 9am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>St Nicholas' Mass 7am</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>St Nicholas' Mass 9am</b>
	<b>Vigil Mass 6pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>St Nicholas' 9.30am &amp; 5.30pm</b>
	<b>St Mary's 7.30am Mass</b>

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> February.

Please join in a Morning Tea after the 9.30am Mass Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February for a 'Meet & Greet' with our new Parish Administrator.

**Anniversaries: February**  
Clive Andrews, William Brady, Doris Brazel, Francis (Ron) Briscoe-Hough, Queenie Bryant, Maxwell Burke, John Clift, Justyn Cloake, Barbara Croft, Dorothy Delaney, Jack Denton, Mervyn Flanagan, Robert Forrester, John Gallagher, Henry Garland, Joseph Gregg, MaryAnn Groth, Dennis Haire, James Hayes, William Herden, Helen Hollis, Sean Hyson, Iris Jackson, Thomas Joyce, Kevin Lennon, Bridgette Leslie, Marie Lonergan, Edward McHenry, Julie McHugh, Douglas McIlveen, Betty Mahony, Elva Matthews, Robert Milne, Gerard Moloney, Teresa Morris, Kathleen Poole, Judith Power, Paul Redmond, Marie Shanahan, Francis Smyth, Nathan Sutton, Edward Trainor, Kathleen Wilkie.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Elsie May Frost.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**  
*The sick list has been cleared – anyone wishing to have their loved ones on the new list please advise the Parish Office.*  
Deacon Peter Harrison, Darren Graham; Margaret Brogan, Bill Press, Rita Sutton, Betty Garrett, Brindley Cavallaro (Sydney).

**Parish Bulletin Deadline** - All materials to be in by midday Wednesday. Contact the Parish Office 67662228  
[easttamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto:easttamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au)

**Home Rosary Ministry**  
Pat Wake: Thurs. 15 February, 6:30pm  
Bill & Cheryl Higgins: Tues. 20 March, 6:30pm  
Bill & Mary Andren: Mon. 2 April, 3:30pm  
For address of Home Rosary, wish to be a host or you have a Prayer Intention, contact Eileen Smyth – 0429667910.

**ST NICHOLAS' SENIORS** – First gathering for 2018 – Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> at Oxley Bowling Club, Piper Street, 1.30pm. New Members are always welcome.

**DOMINICAN LAITY** – First meeting for 2018 – Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> at 23 Sapphire Cres. at 2pm.

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA** is our Catholic agency for international aid & development, working to alleviate poverty & bring hope & justice to disadvantaged communities throughout the world. One way of helping would be to assist with the coordination of our annual fundraising campaign (Project Compassion). If anyone can assist with displays, distribution of boxes & envelopes, giving short talks or showing a Project Compassion film or simply guidance, information & materials are all available. Contact Naomi D'Arcy [naomi@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto:naomi@armidale.catholic.org.au) or 67718700.

**PROJECT COMPASSION** - Boxes and Envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Please take one.

**WEEKLY ROSTER –10/11 February**  
**St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: J O'Connor  
Reader 1: G McDougall Reader 2: L Hawthorne  
Offertory: T & S Barrett Ex Min: P McDougall  
Altar Servers: M Shvili/M Tyrrell  
Music: K Harvey  
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/ G Cannon/B Campbell

**St Mary's Sunday 7.30am**  
Commentator: J Murphy  
Reader 1: J McGuirk Reader 2: J Nolan  
Offertory: C & N Leahy Ex Min: J Wallace  
Altar Servers: A Downey & R Boschma  
Music: V Frost  
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/ J Vella/B Higgins

**St Nicholas Sunday 9.30am**  
Commentator: A Hamilton  
Reader 1: A Davies Reader 2: M Gruer  
Offertory: R & J Smith Ex Min: R English/L Hughes  
Altar Servers: S & C Myers  
Music: St Nicholas Choir  
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

**St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm**  
Commentator: A Hagley  
Reader 1: M Gaffney Reader 2: P Hagley  
Offertory: J & B Campbell Ex Min: C Dries  
Altar Servers: S Hagley/S Saji  
Music: Pinoy Choir  
Collection: Volunteers  
Counting Team: P & G McDougall  
Sacristy Roster: M Rice/G & M Moy  
Altar Linen: M Clerly

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**LENT begins Wednesday, 14 February 2018.**  
\* Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole Church prepares for Easter with those who are to be baptised. Other celebrations in Lent (e.g. marriage) must take account of the spirit of penance: musical instruments are only used to sustain singing and floral decorations are very simple.  
\* Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year (CCL 97, 1251-52).

**SCHEDULE for Stations of the Cross**  
Friday, 16 February – CWL & SN Seniors to Lead  
Friday, 23 February – St Nicholas School to Lead  
Friday, 2 March – Parish Catechist to Lead  
Friday, 9 March – St Vincent de Paul to Lead  
Friday, 16 March – McCarthy College to Lead  
Friday, 23 March – Parish Pastoral Council to Lead

**WEEKLY ROSTER –17/18 February**  
**St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: S Barrett  
Reader 1: K Ackhurst Reader: 2 E Smyth  
Offertory: J & L O'Connor Ex Min: C Whitten  
Altar Servers: S & L McMullen  
Music: K Harvey  
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/ G Cannon/B Campbell

**St Mary's Sunday 7.30am**  
Commentator: B Stewart  
Reader 1: J Scott Reader 2: L Vella  
Offertory: J & P Newley Ex Min: A Connelly  
Altar Servers: A Downey & R Boschma  
Music: V Frost  
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/ J Vella/B Higgins

**St Nicholas Sunday 9.30am**  
Commentator: S E Hogan  
Reader 1: J Sebastian Reader 2: R Kinsela  
Offertory: Volunteers Ex Min: M Hayes/D Cumming  
Altar Servers: S Robertson/A Kelly  
Music: St Nicholas Choir  
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

**St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm**  
Commentator: G Galloway  
Reader 1: S Sommerlad Reader 2: J Campbell  
Offertory: M & R Gaffney Ex Min: T Dries  
Altar Servers: S Hagley/M Lloyd  
Music: N Greacen  
Collection: Volunteers  
Counting Team: G Bryant/A McGuirk/T Barrett  
Sacristy Roster: C Whitten/K Bryant/L Prisk  
Altar Linen: K Bryant

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<b>Collection 28/1/2018</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection (Presbytery A/C):</b>	<b>\$ 1500.60</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (Church A/C)</b>	
- <b>Planned Giving</b>	\$ 1935.00
- <b>Loose Collection</b>	\$ 450.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2385.45</b>
<b>Collection 4/2/2018</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection (Presbytery A/C):</b>	<b>\$ 1172.25</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (Church A/C)</b>	
- <b>Planned Giving</b>	\$ N/a
- <b>Loose Collection</b>	\$ N/a
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ N/a</b>

First Tuesday of the Month - Mass & Sacrament of Anointing at the Tamworth Hospital Chapel, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:00 am Celebrant: Fr. Raj Gorantla.

**MCCARTHY CATHOLIC COLLEGE OPEN DAY**  
Saturday 3 March 2018 11.00am – 1.00pm

