

*Welcome to St Nicholas'
Catholic Parish Tamworth
For
Pentecost Sunday*

20th May 2018

Sunday cycle B Weekday cycle 1

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ENTRANCE: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: Psalter 3
Thursday OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS
Saturday St Philip Neri, priest

THE TIME OF THE CHURCH. The event of Pentecost marks the beginning of the time of the Church. During this time Christ is with us in Spirit, defending and guiding us and leading us to the fullness of truth. We, as Church, proclaim Christ's message in every language and witness to the presence of the Spirit by manifesting the Spirit's gifts, especially the gift of love.

St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:

Monday	St Nicholas' Mass 7am
Tuesday	St Mary's Liturgy of the Word 9am
Wednesday	St Nicholas' Liturgy of the Word 7am
Thursday	St Mary's Liturgy of the Word 9am OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS
Friday	St Nicholas' Mass 7am
Saturday	St Nicholas' Mass 9am St Philip Neri, priest 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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS WEEKEND. Louise Dowsett & Janine Power.

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

Anniversaries: May
Vincent Ajani; Narelle Ambrose; Dorothy (Rita) Arnold; Lawson Bettington; Michael Brooks; Ronald Brooks; Leila Bryant; Dulcie Budsworth; Anthony Campbell; Laurence Cannon; Alice Clout; John Coyle; Marie Cross; Maxwell Dewberry; Ian Dorstein, Giuseppe Ferraro; Robin Gardiner; Shane Gregg; Robert Hall; Edward Hawkins; Rosealein Henderson; Edna Homewood; Suzanne Horan; Cyril Johnson; Norman Konz; Marlene Langenbaker; Michael Larkin; Barry Maher; Raymond Mahony; Steven Mamae; Jeanette Manconi; William Mason; Maria McCully; Ross McHugh; Norma McKenna; William McLean; Glen Merchant; Michael Vittorio; Gloria Mitchell; Carmel (Mary) Muller; Marie Nihill; Denis O'Callaghan; Nelva O'Shea; John Patterson; Mary Patterson; Natalia (Annette) Pindel; Eunice Presland; Alma Robinson; Bruce Robinson; Keith Taylor; Pauli Thorpe; Salvatore Tizzone; Marie Tolmie; Joan Townsend; Eleanor Venning; Patrick Wall; Mary Woods.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Darren Graham; Margaret Brogan, Bill Press, Rita Sutton, Betty Garrett, Brindley Cavallaro (Sydney), Robert Sweeney, Nicole Tierney, Pat Mooney, Fr Tom Shanahan.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Eva McLean (Birthday 18/5), Barbara & Stanly Northey (16th May).

May Mary's pure and simple smile be a source of joy for each one of us as we face life's difficulties. (Pope Francis).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Fr Christopher would like to encourage all children in the Parish to take part in the Prayers of the Faithful each Sunday at Mass. They would read two prayers after the Commentator & would receive these via email 2 weeks prior, so they are prepared. If any family would like to be involved there will be a board at the back of the church for your names, phone number & email address. A roster will be made up for the children.

This Year is the YEAR OF YOUTH - OPEN NEW HORIZONS FOR SPREADING JOY: YOUNG PEOPLE, FAITH & VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT. The Parish will be organising its own celebrations for Youth in the coming months. For more information on the Year of Youth visit: www.youth.catholic.org.au/year-of-youth

PROCLAIM 2018: National Conference on Parish Renewal & Evangelisation 12-14 July 2018 – Early Bird Registrations & Group Discounts **now available.** To find out more visit www.proclaimconference.com.au & register at our early bird rate. Notice also on the Notice Board at the back of the Church.

THIS WEEK THE PRIESTS WILL BE IN ARMIDALE FOR THE CLERGY ASSEMBLY.

A new Seminarian has arrived in our Diocese and will be joining us here at St Nicholas at the end of the month. Victor Atuhura from Uganda will be here for a few weeks.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 19/20 May
St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm
Commentator: S Barrett
Reader 1: L Hansen Reader: K Ackhurst
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: C Allen
Altar Servers: S McMullen
Music: K Harvey
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/ G Cannon/B Campbell

St Mary's Sunday 7.30am
Commentator: B Thompson
Reader 1: J Scott Reader 2: J Nolan
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: J Wallace
Altar Servers: A Downey
Music: V Frost
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/
J Vella/B Higgins

St Nicholas Sunday 9.30am
Commentator: R Kinsela
Reader 1: L McSweeney Reader 2: A Bowden
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: A Hamilton/A Nealon
Altar Servers: S Robertson/S & C Myers
Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm
Commentator: M Moy
Reader 1: G Moy Reader 2: T Dries
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: S Sommerlad
Altar Servers: volunteers
Music: N Greacen
Collection: Volunteers
Counting Team: B Thompson/P Heffernan
W Higgins/P Skewes
Sacristy Roster: K Bryant/L Prisk
Altar Linen: C Whitten

Collection: 6 May	
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C):	\$ 1037.75
2nd Collection (Church A/C)	
- Planned Giving	\$ 2152.00
- Loose Collection	\$ 202.45
- Total	\$ 2354.45
Collection: 13 May	
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C):	\$ 1354.00
2nd Collection (Church A/C)	
- Planned Giving	\$ 2262.00
- Loose Collection	\$ 178.10
- Total	\$ 2440.10

ST NICHOLAS SENIORS GATHERING - Tuesday May 22nd at Oxley Bowling Club at 1.30pm. New Members are always welcome.

First Tuesday of the Month - Mass & Sacrament of Anointing at the Tamworth Hospital Chapel, June 5th, 2018 at 11:00 am Celebrant: Fr. Raj Gorantla.

SAVE THE DATE – The Parish of St Thomas More, Werris Creek is celebrating 100 years in 2018. The focus of celebrations will be on Sunday 7th October, revolving around Mass and lunch starting at 11am. Everyone is welcome to come and join in the celebrations. More details will be provided closer to the day.

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS following 9am Mass Saturday May 26th at St Nicholas Church.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 26/27 May
St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm
Commentator: E Smyth
Reader 1: A Biju Reader: M Rowland
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: S Barrett
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: B Stewart
Reader 1: B Virgin Reader 2: J McGuirk
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: A Connelly
Altar Servers: A Downey
Music: V Frost
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/
J Vella/B Higgins

St Nicholas Sunday 9.30am
Commentator: A Davies
Reader 1: G Mahony Reader 2: L Roberts
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: M Hayes/D Cumming
Altar Servers: E Riley
Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm
Commentator: S van Aanholt
Reader 1: M Rowland Reader 2: A Hagley
Offertory: volunteer's Ex Min: P Flynn
Altar Servers: H Buckman
Music: V Frost/R Richardson
Collection: Volunteers
Counting Team: G Bryant/A McGuirk
T Barrett
Sacristy Roster: CWC
Altar Linen: L Prisk

DOMINICAN LAITY MONTHLY MEETING - Sunday May 20th at Joan Davy's Home 40 Dibar Drive at 2pm.

We thank the two people who have come forward to tend to the garden around St Nicholas Church/Presbytery. But we now need someone who could spend a few hours each week to care for the St Mary's garden, North Tamworth. If anyone is interested, please contact the Parish Office on 67662228.

Plenary Council 2020 – Listen to what the Spirit is saying.

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 & 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: **"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"** Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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