

*Welcome to St Nicholas'  
Catholic Parish Tamworth*  
*For*  
*The Most Holy Trinity*

**27<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**Sunday cycle B Weekday cycle 1**

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**ENTRANCE:** Blessed be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

**SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:**  
**Thursday** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Friday** St Justin, martyr

**Psalter Week 4**

**CHOSEN TO BE GOD'S OWN.** On this feast of the Holy Trinity we pause to reflect on the great mystery of God, 'by whose word the heavens were made, by the breath of whose mouth all the stars' (Ps32). What is perhaps most marvellous is the way this God of majesty and power has drawn so close to us. In Jesus, God assumed our human condition. In the Spirit, we have become God's children able to address God by the intimate title, 'Abba, Father!'

**St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:**

**Monday** St Nicholas' Mass 7am  
**Tuesday** St Mary's Mass 9am  
**Wednesday** St Nicholas' Mass 7am  
**Thursday** St Mary's Mass 9am  
The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Friday** St Nicholas' Mass 7am  
St Justin, martyr  
**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.

**Baptisms this weekend:** Through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome into the saving mystery of Jesus Christ, **Lily Grace Jackson.**

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Betty Shanahan.

**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:** Mary Partlin (Anniv 29<sup>th</sup>), Maureen Byrne (Anniv.), Sue Horan (Anniv 29<sup>th</sup>).

**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](http://www.youth.catholic.org.au/year-of-youth)**

**120<sup>th</sup> Philippine Independence Day Celebration.**  
On Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, the Filipino Community of Tamworth will host the Annual Diocesan Celebration of the Philippine Independence Day at Mary Help of Christians Church, South Tamworth. There will be a Thanksgiving Mass – 5.30pm. Buffet Dinner & Cultural Show – 7.00pm. A live Band & Disco – 9.00pm. Tickets \$25 Adult. 7-12year old - \$15. 0-6year old Free. Attire: semi-formal, smart casual/drinks available for sale (NO BYO). RSVP: [fiat2340@yahoo.com.au](mailto:fiat2340@yahoo.com.au) & EFT payment by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Account Name: Filipino Association of Tamworth. BSB: 082105 Account/No: 001057566 Reference: your first & last name & email transaction to above email address.

**WEEKLY ROSTER – 25/26 May**  
**St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: E Smyth  
Reader 1: A Biju Reader: volunteer  
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: volunteers 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  
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**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

**Collection: 20 May**  
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 1164.95  
2nd Collection (Church A/C)  
- Planned Giving \$ 1534.00  
- Loose Collection \$ 213.95  
- Total \$ 1747.95

**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.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS WEEKEND.** Lou Sedon & Alison Hamilton.

**Please find at the back of the Church a letter from the Bishop with an attachment of a 4-step process for Listening & Dialogue Encounter which you may like to utilise when reflecting on the key question "What do you think God is asking us in Australia at this time?"**

We become what we love and who we love shapes what we become. (Saint Clare of Assisi)

**WEEKLY ROSTER – 2/3 June**  
**St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: B Virgin  
Reader 1: S Barrett Reader: A Biju  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: M Clery  
Altar Servers: H/A George  
Music: K Harvey  
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/ G Cannon/B Campbell

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

**St Nicholas Sunday 9.30am**  
Commentator: J Sebastian  
Reader 1: L Prisk Reader 2: P Prisk  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: J Hatfield/R Kinsela  
Altar Servers: R Rajeev  
Music: St Nicholas Choir  
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

**St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm**  
Commentator: C Wheaton  
Reader 1: G Moy Reader 2: C Dries  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: S van Aanholt  
Altar Servers: volunteers  
Music: V Frost/R Richardson/E Best  
Collection: Volunteers  
Counting Team: B Williams/D Cumming  
S van Aanholt

Sacristy Roster: J & B Ryan/B & K Stewart  
Altar Linen: M Clery  
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First Tuesday of the Month - Mass & Sacrament of Anointing at the Tamworth Hospital Chapel, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

**The St Nicholas Catholic Debutante Ball will be held June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in the Tamworth Town Hall. Gallery Tickets will be available at the door.**

**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)

**PROCLAIM 2018:** National Conference on Parish Renewal & Evangelisation 12-14 July 2018 – Early Bird Registrations & Group Discounts **now available.** This year the Archdiocese of Brisbane will host **PROCLAIM 2018.** Notice also on the Notice Board at the back of the Church.

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.