

Welcome to St Nicholas' Catholic Parish Tamworth

For the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary

Time

6th October 2019

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ENTRANCE: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: Psalter Week 3
Monday Our Lady of the Rosary

DOING OUR DUTY. Advertisements sometimes suggest that our lives should be always fun-filled, exciting and glamorous. For most of the time, however, our lives have a mundane character – doing our daily chores, caring for our loved ones, going to work. By faithfully attending to these tasks, we express our belief that the sacred is present in the ordinary, that our simple acts are precious to God.

St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:

Monday St Nicholas' Mass 9am
Our Lady of the Rosary
Tuesday St Mary's Mass 9am
Wednesday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
Thursday St Mary's Mass 9am
Friday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
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 or responsible adults, accompany 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

Fr Christopher will be out of the Parish & on holidays from September 25th to October 31st.

Anyone wishing to put Posters on the Notice Board or leave pamphlets at the back of the Church could you please ring the parish office for approval first.

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

COMING EVENTS

St Nicholas Seniors next gathering Tuesday October 8th at Oxley Bowling Club 1.30-4.15pm. New members welcome.

Nazareth House Fete will be held Saturday October 12th. All donations will be gratefully received. Deliver to Nazareth House or phone Ethel Sevil 67653364 for collection.

CWC next meeting, 15th October at 5.30pm. This meeting will be the **Home Rosary for October** & held in the Parish Meeting Room. All parishioners welcome to attend.

The next Eucharistic Adoration Friday October 18th 6pm-7pm.

Home Rosary for OCTOBER will be held in the Parish Meeting Room by the CWC, on Tuesday 15th October at 5.30pm.

The next PPC Morning Tea will be held after the 9.30am Mass Sunday 20th October.

Family Connect Group monthly meeting for October will be held at Scully Park Swimming Pool, 12noon Sunday 20th October. Please bring a plate to share.

The next Youth Mass – 27th October at 5.30pm.

Our Parish Christmas Party this year will be held 12pm, 24th November at McCarthy College Hall. Parishioners please keep this date free.

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

* **Abblas** – 9.30am – 1st Friday of the Month
* **Kurrajong** - 11am-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, the 2nd Tuesday of the Month.

PRAYER FOR RAIN - God our Father, You created our earth to nourish us & give us life & Jesus told us to ask & it will be given to us. We ask now in Faith, Hope & Love that you look with favour on our drought stricken land, our starving animals & failing produce. Sustain, strengthen & give us your abundant rain soon. Renew the faith of your people & the face of our land. We make this prayer with many, through Jesus Christ who gives new life to all living things. Amen.

Fr Chris is asking if Parishioners would like to volunteer to be **Greeters in the Church before Mass**. If any Parishioner is willing to do this, could you please leave your name on the sheet at the back of the Church.

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

Parishioners of all ages are invited to a Rosary Procession by candlelight to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The event by the Frassati Society will be held Friday 18th October at 7.30pm at Nazareth House Chapel. Please see leaflet at back of Church. For more info. Phone Tammy 0459784171.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN) is hosting a prayer campaign on 18th October titled: "One Million Children Praying the Rosary." The prayer initiative invites teachers, priests, parents & grandparents to pray the rosary together with children for peace & unity around the world. For more info. & prayer resources visit www.millionkidspraying.org.

The Relic of St Therese of Lisieux & her Parents will be coming to the St Nicholas Parish from 6pm, Saturday February 22nd to 12noon, Monday February 24th. There will be more details to come, but Fr Christopher would like an all-night vigil.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 5/6 October

St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm

Commentator: volunteer
Reader 1: K Ackhurst Reader 2: C Allen
Ex Min: L Hansen
Altar Servers: B & E Scott Music: N Greacen
Collection: D Raffaele/G Cannon/B Campbell

St Mary's Sunday 7.30am

Commentator: J Nolan
Reader 1: L Vella Reader 2: B Virgen
Ex Min: G Quinn
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: B Cumming Reader 2: M Gruer
Ex Min: M Keys/D Cumming
Altar Servers: volunteer Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas' Sunday 5.30pm

Commentator: J Clery
Reader 1: G Galloway Reader 2: H Buckman
Ex Min: C Dries
Altar Servers: volunteer Music: V Frost/R Richardson
Collection: volunteers
Counting Team: T Heazlett/L Koch/B Stewart
Sacristy Roster: B & J Ryan/K & B Stewart
Altar Linen: K Stewart

Collection: 29th September 2019

1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 1078.65
2nd Collection (Church A/C)
- Planned Giving \$ 2136.00
- Loose Collection \$ 173.30
- Total \$ 2309.30

St Brigid's Parish Quirindi will be celebrating & giving thanks to the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, Saturday 26th October 2019 for their presence in the Parish for 132 years. For information please contact Pat 0267462025 or Mick 0472255643 mpperkins@bigpond.com - Denise den020@icloud.com or Jan jandaniels2343@gmail.com.

Missionary Month – Opening his letter 'For the Centenary of the Promulgation of the Apostolic Letter Maximum Illud on the activity of missionaries in the world', Pope Francis notes that the challenge for the work of mission is 'as urgent as ever'. October 2019 provides an opportunity to take up again 'with renewed fervour the missionary transformation of the Church's life and pastoral activity'. In this first week of the Extraordinary Missionary Month, let us consider how we, in our own contexts, might accept the invitation to encounter Jesus in daily life in order to live out our baptism call to be missionary disciples.

I invite Christians, everywhere, at this very moment to renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfaithfully each day.

Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 3

There is a screening of 'Unplanned' for Tamworth on Monday 14th October at 6pm. The new movie is based on the true story of Abby Johnson's experience working in a planned parenthood clinic & the truth about Abortion. They still need to sell 62 tickets for it to go ahead so please get on board & buy your tickets & share this link with family and friends.
<https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-forum-6-cinema-tamworth/>

BAPTISMS: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome **Charlotte McDougall & Willow Summers**.

Nazareth House – Tamworth Aged Care: For more information please see Posters on Notice Board.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 12/13 October

St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L Hansen
Reader 1: E Smyth Reader 2: volunteer
Ex Min: S Barrett
Altar Servers: A George Music: K Harvey
Collection: D Raffaele/G Cannon/B Campbell

St Mary's Sunday 7.30am

Commentator: J Scott
Reader 1: J Murphy Reader 2: B Thompson
Ex Min: M Andren
Altar Servers: S Downey Music: V Frost
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/J Vella/B Higgins

St Nicholas' Sunday 9.30am

Commentator: P Prisk
Reader 1: M Larkin Reader 2: L Prisk
Ex Min: A Hamilton/R Kinsela
Altar Servers: E Riley Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas' Sunday 5.30pm

Commentator: R Dunst
Reader 1: A Tijo Reader 2: E Cushan
Ex Min: T Dries
Altar Servers: volunteer Music: Pinoy Choir
Collection: volunteers
Counting Team: P & G McDougall
Sacristy Roster: C Whitten/G Quinn/K Trinh
Altar Linen: D Fitzgerald

ANNIVERSARIES: October

Valma Allsopp, Daniel Bailey, Margaret Bradbery, Christina Bridges, Patricia Burr, Royce Byrnes, George Camilleri, Barbara Carr, Geoffrey Carr, Leslie Casey, Josephine Cathcart, Renato Chiari, Christine Chisholm, Sheila Clark, Monica Coles, Eric Connolly, Gloria Cooper, Muriel Cooper, Ian (Jack) Cutmore, Daphne Davis, Kenneth Delforce, Warren Doherty, Maude Drysdale, Thomas Ferris, Edna Fittler, Dorothy (Babe) Foran, Romano Gabutto, Norma Girard, Collin Gleeson, Helen Gowing, Marjorie Handley, Iris Hardaker, Ruby Hartley, John Hawkins, Barry Heiler, Andrew Henshaw, Colleen Herden, Leo Herden, Bernard Higgins, Selina Honess, Shirley Hughes, Nellie Johnston, Joyce Jones, Kathleen Kirwin, Sandor Kovach, Frederick (Paddy) Leis, Giovanni Loi, Henry McCarthy, Arthur McKenna, Peter Maher, Reginald Manvell, Margaret (Maggie) Meads, Shirley Merchant, Hamish Michell, Noreen Murphy, Harry O'Halloran, Maria Pomponio, Bessie Quinn, Tom Roche, Jean Scott, John Sharp, Sister Teresa OP., Doreen Sneddon, Keith Stewart, Raymond St Leon, Peter Thomas, Robert Thompson, Mary Thorley, Ronald Tidyman, Cecil Turner, James Vaux, Joan Weaver, Phillip White, Harold Williams, Mary Williams, Edna (Joan) Woolaston.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Darren Graham, Margaret Brogan, Bill Press, Brindley Cavallaro (Sydney), Nicole Tierney, Pat Mooney, Fr Bernie Melville, Ken Michell, Dalton Lewis, Brian Mercovich, Dearnie Law, Robyn Plunkett, Kevin Frost, Sarah Sommerlad, Vic & Colleen Hamilton, Trisha Aquino, Fr Bernie Flood, Selma Best.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Cherie Hunter.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: James Watkin Roebuck & Marie Mon Roebuck (deceased), Ernest Lan.

Cancer Council Pink Ribbon Morning Tea will be held Sunday 27th October following 9.30am Mass. This year we decided to have a Devonshire Tea themed morning tea-with some appropriate 'goodies' for the children. We are **not** asking for donations of cakes/slices etc as in other years but ask that you support the fundraiser by coming along, perhaps you might bring a friend! Morning Tea will be \$5. There will be a RAFFLE & are asking for donations of suitable prizes OR vouchers OR money so we can buy prizes. Please contact Carol 0413585266 if you can help.