

*Welcome to St Nicholas'
Catholic Parish Tamworth
For the
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
22nd July 2018*

Sunday cycle B Weekday cycle 1

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ENTRANCE: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: Psalter Week 4
Wednesday St James, apostle
Thursday Sts Joachim & Anne, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary

HE TOOK PITY ON THEM. In today's Gospel Jesus shows great care for his disciples After a busy mission he takes them off to a quiet place to rest. He also takes pity on the crowds who follow him. Recognising their spiritual hunger, he teaches them at some length. Jesus takes pity on us as well. Like the crowds and his disciples, we need to periodically step aside from our many chores and activities to be nourished by his life-giving word and fed by the Eucharist.

St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:

Monday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
Tuesday St Mary's Mass 9am
Wednesday St Nicholas' Mass 7am
St James, apostle
Thursday St Mary's Mass 9am
Sts Joachim & Anne, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary
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 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

COMING EVENTS

St Nicholas Seniors Social Gathering – Tuesday July 24 at Oxley Bowling Club. 1.30pm to 4.15pm. New members welcome.

Catholic Women's League Monthly Meeting, Wednesday July 25th at The Services Club, 12noon. If unable to be present, please phone 67664106 or 67663954 by Monday July 23rd. New members welcome.

Prayers for Priests – Saturday July 28th, following 9am Mass at St Nicholas'. All are welcome to join in these prayers.

Marriage & Family Week: 23 – 29 July with Marriage & Family Sunday 29 July. All families welcome.

Sunday July 29th at 5.30pm will be our next Youth Mass. 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.

104th Migrant & Refugee Sunday – 12th August at 9.30am. All cultures are welcome to attend this Mass with their traditional dress.

Confirmation – Saturday 22nd September 6pm or Sunday 23rd September at 9.30am
For details please see the Parish Website.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CELEBRATE – Share the Spirit of Youth - 7pm, **Thursday 27 Sept 2018 at TRECC.** Students from six local Catholic Schools will be performing. **Tickets** available from **Monday 13 August** online at www.entertainmentvenues.com.au or phone 67662028 or at Tamworth Capitol Theatre. **Adults \$25 Children \$18.**

Social Justice: We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 30 September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land'. The Statement challenges us to confront Australia's growing rate of homelessness & unaffordable housing. For details call (02) 8306 3499 or go to www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

Home Rosary: August 15 – Marie Rice
: **September 5 – Bernadette & Peter Virgen**
: **October 9 – Mary & Bill Andren**
: **November – Joan & Peter Newley**
: **December – Cheryl & Bill Higgins**

At all Masses from today there will be a two-minute silence for personal prayer after Holy Communion.

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

This Year is the YEAR OF YOUTH - 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

The St Nicholas Parish Choir are looking for new members. Anyone wishing to join, please contact the Parish Office. New members always welcome.

WEEKLY ROSTER – 21/22 July

St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm
Commentator: E Smyth
Reader 1: P McDougall Reader: G McDougall
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: M Clery
Altar Servers: R Biju/B & E Scott Music: K Harvey
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/G Cannon/B Campbell

St Mary's Sunday 7.30am
Commentator: J Murphy
Reader 1: G Quinn Reader 2: G Quinn
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: B Cumming Reader 2: D Cumming
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: J Hatfield/L Hughes
Altar Servers: S & C Myers/S Robertson
Music: St Nicholas Choir
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm
Commentator: J Clery
Reader 1: P Flynn Reader: A Hagley
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: H Buckman
Altar Servers: volunteer Music: V Frost/R Richardson
Collection: Volunteers
Counting Team: T Heazlet/L Koch/B Stewart
Sacristy Roster: M & G Moy/M Rice Altar Linen: L Prisk

Collection: 8 July 2018
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 967.35
2nd Collection (Church A/C
- Planned Giving \$ 5138.00
- Loose Collection \$ 169.25
- Total \$ 5307.25

ROSARY AND ADORATION - After 7am Mass on Mondays concluding at 8am.

World meeting of families – What can be more beautiful than for a father and mother to bless their children at the beginning and ending of each day, to trace on their forehead a sign of the cross, as they did on the day of their baptism? (Pope Francis)

Baptisms this weekend: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome: Percival Hall & Ryan Painter.

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.

National Vocations Awareness Week – The Church in Armidale needs more priests and religious. Each one of us can do something about this. Firstly – pray each day. A simple prayer may be the cause of one person saying 'yes'. Secondly – talk about the possibility of a vocation to others. Lend your own voice to the call of the Lord.

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

WEEKLY ROSTER – 28/29 July

St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm
Commentator: L Hawthorne
Reader 1: J O'Connor Reader: E Smyth
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: S Barrett
Altar Servers: H/A George Music: K Harvey
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/G Cannon/B Campbell

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

St Nicholas Sunday 9.30am
Commentator: S Hogan
Reader 1: L Prisk Reader 2: P Prisk
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: R English/A Nealon
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:
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min:
Altar Servers: volunteer Music:
Collection: Volunteers
Counting Team: B Thompson/P Heffernan/W Higgins/P Skewes
Sacristy Roster: K Bryant/L Prisk Altar Linen: M Clery

ANNIVERSARIES: July

Theresa Allsopp; Madelaine Atkinson; Gordon Baker; Daphne Borham; Joseph Brady; Robert Burke; Phyllis Creaven; Noel Bourke; William Byrne; Heather Campbell; John Clark; Julie Ann Clifford; William (Bill) Cognet; Charles Coleman; Patricia Collins; Francis Condon; Leslie Cook; Ida Crowe; Mary Dawson; Barry Dillon; Beryl Dillon; Cecil Dillon; Marjorie Donoghoe; Kevin Doyle; Millicent Dunlop; Merris Eckersley; Edith Ferguson; Bridget Ferris, Richard Fife; Patrick Fogarty; Doreen Galloway; Hazel Green; Esma Grosvenor; Luke Hannaford; Jeanette (Jan) Harrison; Jeffrey Hayes; Claire Hines; William Hofman; Douglas (Peter) Honess; Joseph Horan; Christopher Hughes; Peter Hughes; Wallace Hunt; Stanley Hyman; Josephine Jackson; William Johnston; Taylor Kelly; John Kendall; Eileen Lamb; Fr Harry Leis; Rae (Peggy) Lloyd; John Lunn; Lia Maher; Neil Markham; Joan Martin; Patricia Gill; Norman Matthews; Margaret McCorkell; Joyce McCulloch; Joyce McDonald; Mary Nash; Edward Nelson; Anthony (Tony) Nicholls; Daisy Spronk-O'Callaghan; Leslie O'Shea; Margaret Petrie; Monica Radford; Robyn Radmore; Denise Rust; Owen Ryan; Merle Simmons; Keith Swan; Peter Swanton; Patricia Taggart; Marie Thompson; Mary Tillott; Mervyn Walton; Margaret Webster; Brody Wendt; George Whitticker; William Williams; Mario Gruer.

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, Fr Bernie Melville, Nanette Collins.
RECENTLY DECEASED: Lucyann Perry, Jim Lupton.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Lucyann Perry, (Rec/Dec), Ignatius Lee, (90th Birthday).

FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH - If anyone has any flowers in their garden that they would like to share to be used in our Church, please contact Lynne 0417 471 092.

