

*Welcome to St Nicholas'  
Catholic Parish Tamworth*  
**For the  
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

*11<sup>th</sup> August 2019*

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**ENTRANCE:** Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

**SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: Psalter Week 3**

**Wednesday** St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr  
**Thursday** The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**KEEP AWAKE TILL HE COMES.** The early Christians applied this teaching of Jesus to their expectation of his second coming. More generally speaking, today's Gospel parables should encourage us to be morally vigilant at all times and ever ready to encounter, in the midst of daily life, the 'God of surprises'. Paul has similar advice for us: 'Keep alert, stand firm in your faith' (1Cor 16: 13).

**St Nicholas' Liturgy this week:**

**Monday** St Nicholas' Mass 7am  
**Tuesday** St Mary's Mass 9am  
**Wednesday** St Nicholas' Mass 7am  
St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr  
**Thursday** St Mary's Mass 9am  
The ASSUMPTION of the 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](mailto:easttamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au)

**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 August 13<sup>th</sup>** at Oxley Bowling Club 1.30 - 4.15pm. New members welcome.

**Home Rosary** – Marie Rice's Home, **August 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.** Please see address in drawer at back of Church.

**The next PPC Morning Tea** will be held after the 9.30am Mass Sunday **18<sup>th</sup> August.**

**CWC** next meeting, **20<sup>th</sup> August at 5.30pm** in the Parish meeting Room.

**The next Eucharistic Adoration. Friday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 6pm to 7pm.**

**Migrant & Refugee Sunday** – **9.30am Mass 25<sup>th</sup> August** at St Nicholas Church.

**The next Youth Mass** – **25<sup>th</sup> August at 5.30pm.**

The next auxiliary meeting of Nazareth Care will be held on **August 29 at 2pm.** All welcome.

**Home Rosary** – Peter & Bernadette Virgen's Home, **September 4<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm.** Please see address in drawer at back of Church.

**Confirmation Masses 2019** – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 6pm  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 9.30am

\* Parents Information Meeting for Confirmation is Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 5.30pm (St Nicholas Church).

We welcome new Parishioners to St Nicholas. If you have any enquiries please contact Fr Christopher by emailing [FrOnuekwusi@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto: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.

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

\* **Alblas** – 9.30am – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month  
\* **Kurrajong** -11am - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month.  
\* **Cottage Homes** – 10.30am – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month.  
\* **Tamworth Gardens** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month  
\* **Bupa** – 10.30am – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month  
\* **Mass at Hospital Chapel** – 4pm, the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Migrant & Refugee Sunday** will be celebrated August 25 at the 9.30am Mass. All cultures to come dressed in their Traditional Dress & also bring a plate of traditional food to share if you can.

**Ignite Conference is on again 26 -29 September** in Brisbane & for the first time in Sydney 3-6 October. The Conference whilst being aimed at young people is open to all ages, where they will experience 4 days of real-world formation, encouragement in faith, great people & powerful worship. Fr Chris is currently looking for people who may be interested in attending & also for groups or individuals who would be willing to sponsor someone to attend. For more Info. Please contact Fr Chris or Henry Buckman (0406361272).

**WEEKLY ROSTER –10/11 August**

**St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: E Smyth  
Reader 1: volunteer Reader 2: P McDougall  
Ex Min: K Ackhurst  
Altar Servers: B & E Scott Music: K Harvey  
Collection: D Raffaele/G Cannon/B Campbell

**St Mary's Sunday 7.30am**  
Commentator: J Murphy  
Reader 1: G Quinn Reader 2: J Nolan  
Ex Min: K King  
Altar Servers: S Downey Music: V Frost  
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/J Vella/B Higgins

**St Nicholas' Sunday 9.30am**  
Commentator: A Bowden  
Reader 1: D Cumming Reader 2: L Prisk  
Ex Min: C Whitten/L Hughes  
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: E Cushion Reader 2: M Gaffney  
Ex Min: J Clerly  
Altar Servers: volunteer Music: Pinoy Choir  
Collection: volunteers  
Counting Team: B Thompson/P Heffernan/W Higgins/P Skewes  
Sacristy Roster: M Rice/G & M Moy Altar Linen: V Mundy

**Collection: 4<sup>th</sup> August 2019**  
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 1251.45  
2nd Collection (Church A/C)  
- Planned Giving \$ 2372.00  
- Loose Collection \$ 185.70  
- Total \$ 2557.70

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.

If you are over 18 & interested in working for justice? Caritas Australia will be holding a 2 day Global Justice workshop for young adults over the age of 18. You will develop a sense of the global Church as you learn about the work of Caritas, our approach to development & how you can work for justice in the diocese. August 27-28, 2019 at Caritas Aust. National Office Sydney. Contact Naomi D'Arcy, Caritas Diocesan Director – [naomi@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto:naomi@armidale.catholic.org.au); 67718700

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

**Rosary & Adoration - After 7am Mass on Mondays till 8am.**

The new Planned Giving Boxes are now available in the transept Marius St side of the Church for you to collect.

Anyone wishing to put Posters on the Notice Board or leave pamphlets at the back of the Church could you please seek Fr Christopher's approval first.

**This weekend we have a Special Collection for Seminarians & Retired Clergy. For this, you will find envelopes at the end of the pews.**

**WEEKLY ROSTER –17/18 August**

**St Nicholas' Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: C Allen  
Reader 1: G McDougall Reader 2: A Jones  
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: B Virgen  
Reader 1: J McQuirk Reader 2: J Scott  
Ex Min: J Wallace  
Altar Servers: S Downey Music: V Frost  
Collection: J Conlon/P Heffernan/B Andren/J Vella/B Higgins

**St Nicholas' Sunday 9.30am**  
Commentator: M Gruer  
Reader 1: H Rowsell Reader 2: volunteer  
Ex Min: A Bowden/L Prisk  
Altar Servers: D Rajeev Music: St Nicholas Choir  
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

**St Nicholas' Sunday 5.30pm**  
Commentator: J Clerly  
Reader 1: H Buckman Reader 2: S van Aanholt  
Ex Min: P Flynn  
Altar Servers: volunteer Music: N Greacen  
Collection: volunteers  
Counting Team: G Bryant/A McQuirk/T Barrett  
Sacristy Roster: L & P Prisk Altar Linen: K Stewart

**ANNIVERSARIES: August**

Stephen Ambrose, Francis Anderson, John Anderson, Patricia Archer, Gwendoline Baker, Kathleen Berthaly, Peter Belt, Ray Blissett, Sheila Booby, Wilhelmina (Jean) Bower, Gregory Bray, Karen Cannon, Monica Carolan, Mary Carroll, Emma Clift, Lawrence Collier, Katherine Collins, Clarence Davies, Irene Diebold, Ellen Drew, Gloria Dutton, Eileen Fitzgerald, Nelson Fogarty, Phyllis Ford, Bruce Freeman, Peggy Gaffney, Michael Gatty, Rita Gatt, Margaret Grieve, Bernice Gris, Angela Gruer, Zoe Hammond, Les Hartshorn, Daphne Hayes, Edward Hogno, Lorna Horton, Margaret Hunt, Margaret Hutchinson, Una Inman, Betty Johnson, Milton Kemp, Brian Kenny, Pamela Kenny, Joseph (Bill) Keys, Peter King, Mervyn Legge, Phyllis Linstedt, Dorothy Linsell, Jennifer Mackie, Hazel McCarthy, James McDonnell, Daphne McLennan, Clement McMahon, Anne McMahon, Laura McMahon, Agnes Michell, Elizabeth Michell, Henry Mifsud, Monica Muller, Ada Norton, Moira O'Brien, Raymond Paul, Robert Peno, Joyce Pollock, Pietro Ricconan, Antoinette Rigon, Clyde McMaster Roberts, Vera Saunders, Pauline Sipple, Eileen Smith, Norman Smith, Wayne Smith, Arthur Stengert, Olga Tongue, Barry Tracy, John Twomey, Louisa Wall, Janet Walters, Susan Wardle, Theodore Whitten.

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Margaret Fairhall, Justin Flannery.

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Margaret Fairhall (Rec Dec), Helen Evans (Rec Dec) Birthday 18/8, Mary Trindall (nee Raveneau) Rec Dec, John O'Connor (Rec Dec), Danny Egan (Rec Dec), Karmen Symington.

The **Parish Mission** is now available on DVD or USB. If anyone is interested in getting a copy please contact the Parish Office.