

*Welcome to St Nicholas'  
Catholic Parish Tamworth  
For the  
The NATIVITY of ST JOHN THE  
BAPTIST*

**24<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**Sunday cycle B Weekday cycle 1**

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**ENTRANCE:** A man was sent from God, whose name was John. He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

**SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK: Psalter Week 4**

**Thursday St Irenaeus, bishop, martyr**

**Friday Sts PETER and PAUL, apostles**

**‘WHAT WILL THIS CHILD TURN OUT TO BE?’** The people of the countryside were filled with awe at the remarkable events surrounding the birth of John to an elderly childless couple. His name is given not by his family but by God who has chosen him to prepare the way for the Saviour. We too are specially chosen by God. As our spirit continues to mature, what will we turn out to be?.

**St Nicholas’ Liturgy this week:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St Nicholas’ Mass 7am</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>St Mary’s Mass 9am</b>
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<b>Friday</b>	<b>St Nicholas’ Mass 7am</b> Sts PETER and PAUL, apostles
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>St Nicholas’ Mass 9am</b> <b>Vigil Mass 6pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>St Nicholas’ 9.30am &amp; 5.30pm</b> <b>St Mary’s 7.30am Mass</b>

**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.

**ROSARY AND ADORATION.** After 7.a.m Mass on Monday’s concluding at 8.a.m.

**Marriages; We pray for Christian Rice & Jenna Harrington who celebrated Christian Marriage this weekend**

**Baptisms this weekend:** Through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome into the saving mystery of Jesus Christ, **Annie Gulliford & Oluchi Nwafor.**

**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:** Mary Wallace: Gene Hawthorne: Zeta Quinn.

**Anniversaries: June**

Aileen Apps; Arthur Booth; Robert Burgess; Marie Carmichael; Isobel Clifton; Ray Coyle; Mark Cummins; Matthew Cutmore; Jennifer Dines; Colin Fisher; Peter Frazer; Neomi Goodwin; Alexander Gore; Edward Grace; Gregory Grace; Roma Gray; Carolina Gruer; Hamanda Harnecillo; Gregory Thomas Hoban; Peter Hoffman; Sunny Johnson; Rita Kachel, Allan Langdon; Una Maher; Joshua Marshall; Mildred McCarthy; Alan McHugh; Leo McHugh; Denise McMahon; Carl Muller; Norma Murphy; Edna Orth; Dulcie Pyne; John Quinn; Erin Rasmussen; John Roll; Lorna Ryan; Cecily Schalk; Eileen Shearman; Stanley Thompson; Warren Urquhart; Michael Wall.

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

**COMING EVENTS**

**ST NICHOLAS SENIORS SOCIAL GATHERING,** Tuesday June 26<sup>th</sup> at Oxley Bowling Club 1.30pm. New Members Welcome.

**CWLA MONTHLY MEETING,** Wednesday June 27<sup>th</sup>, at the Services Club, 12noon. If **UNABLE** to attend please notify Gwenn 67664106 by Monday 25<sup>th</sup>.

**The 5.30p.m. Mass this weekend will be the Youth Mass All young people are welcome to attend..**

**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.

**104<sup>th</sup> Migrant & Refugee Sunday Mass,** 12<sup>th</sup> August at 9.30am.

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

**THIS WEEKEND . Peter’s Pence. There will be a collection at all Masses for the Holy Father**

**ADIG.** You can help the schools and parishes throughout the Diocese by joining ADIG, Call us on today -1800803194

**WEEKLY ROSTER -23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> June**  
**St Nicholas’ Saturday 6pm**

Commentator: C Allen  
Reader 1: Sr of Nazareth Reader: A Biju  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: S Barrett  
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: B Virgin Reader 2: J Newley  
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: M Larkin  
Reader 1: B Cumming Reader 2: D Cumming  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: M Hayes/G Mahony  
Altar Servers: R Rajeev  
Music: St Nicholas Choir  
Collection: T Kilroy/M Gruer/J Cox

**St Nicholas Sunday 5.30pm/Youth Mass**

Counting Team: B Thompson/P Heffernan  
W Higgins/P Skewes  
Sacristy Roster: K Bryant/L Prisk  
Altar Linen: V Mundy  
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**Collection: 10-6-18**  
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 1177.65  
2nd Collection (Church A/C  
- Planned Giving \$ 4356.00  
- Loose Collection \$ 460.35  
- Total \$ 4816.35

**Collection: 17-6-18**  
1st Collection (Presbytery A/C): \$ 1119.55  
2nd Collection (Church A/C  
- Planned Giving \$ 1476.00  
- Loose Collection \$ 242.90  
- Total \$ 1718.90

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT BACK OF 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.

**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.** This national conference will engage parishes and faith communities in a conversation focusing on five key areas: Leadership, Culture Change, Young People, Belonging & Evangelisation. To find out more visit [www.proclaimconference.com.au](http://www.proclaimconference.com.au) & register at our early bird rate. Notice also on the Notice Board at the back of the Church.

**WEEKLY ROSTER – 30 June/1 July**  
**St Nicholas’ Saturday 6pm**  
Commentator: volunteer  
Reader 1: L Hansen Reader: K Ackhurst  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: C Allen  
Altar Servers: H/A George  
Music: K Harvey  
Collection: M Hawthorne/B Morton/ G Cannon/B Campbell

**St Mary’s Sunday 7.30am**

Commentator: J Newley  
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: M Gruer  
Reader 1: S Hogan Reader 2: B Radebe  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: M Keys/P Prisk  
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 Cantos  
Reader 1: R Dunst Reader 2: M Gaffney  
Offertory: volunteers Ex Min: M van Aanholt  
Altar Servers: volunteers  
Music: V Frost/R Richardson/E Best  
Collection: Volunteers  
Counting Team: G Bryant/A McGuirk  
T Barrett

Sacristy Roster: CWC  
Altar Linen: K Stewart

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**All vocations make their first steps in the family (Pope Francis)**

**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)

**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)

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