



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Child Protection

Electronic copy of the Child Safe Parish Communities Policy is now available online on our Parish website under News category. It is a valuable resource to keep our parish a child safe environment. All are encourage to read the booklet.

Holy Rosary at Weekend Masses

Rosary will be prayed 25 minutes before the start of Mass

Choir Practice

Every Sunday 4.00 pm beginning 5 February

Lenten Program

Tuesday morning 10.15 am (beginning 28 Feb) Gloria's group
Tuesday night 07.00 pm (beginning 28 Feb) Brian's group
Wednesday night 07.30 pm (beginning 1 Mar) Judy's group
Thursday night 07.30 pm (beginning 2 Mar) Ann Elsey's group
If you would like to join a group please complete the sheet in the foyer. Lenten Program Booklet \$11 pp, including group DVD & CD

Visit by Bishop Kennedy

On Sunday 26th Feb Bishop Kennedy will celebrate the 9am Mass. He will consecrate the Altar and present Papal Blessings to three parishioners for their dedication and long service to our parish. Congratulations to Dulcie Johns, Gwen Press and Kitty Thomas.

Special Collection

A collection will be held at all masses this weekend for the support of Adult Education and Catechetics. A special collection will be taken up after Communion for this appeal.

Seniors Luncheon

St Eddies Luncheon for Seniors will be held on Wed 15th Feb at North Tamworth Bowling Club, Bligh Street at 12n for 12.30pm. Please come and bring a friend to enjoy the 'daily special' of fish and chips \$10 or most other meals range from \$15 to \$20. Please write your name in the book in the foyer to assist catering or phone Anne/John 67655876

2017 Sacramental Preparation Schedule

Term 1 | Reconciliation / Confession

Enrolment Sunday (Church)	- All Masses	12/02
Prep. Classes (every Wednesday, Church)		15/02 4.00pm
Reception of Sacrament (Church)		29/03 4.00pm

For state school students or schools other than St Edward's please contact 6762 0569 after hours

Information for the bulletin to be emailed to southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au or please drop a note to the Parish Office no later than Thursday afternoon

Mass Time and Liturgical Services

Weekends

1st Saturday 9.00 am
Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm
Sunday 9 am & 5.30 pm

Weekdays*

Monday 7.00 am
Tuesday - Friday 9.30 am

Anointing Mass

1st Wednesday of the Month
9.30 am

Confession

Saturday 4.45 - 5.15 pm
Sunday 8.15 - 8.45 am
& 4.45 - 5.15 pm
or by appointment.

Baptism

Preparation Class, 2nd
Sunday of the Month 10 am

Baptism, 3rd Sunday of the
Month 10 am
or by appointment.

Wedding,

Sick Call & Funeral

by appointment

Collection

Envelopes	\$ 1538.00
Loose	\$ 51.15

Let us pray for

Our sick

Alva Egan
Josie Finlay
Fr Peter McGrath
Betty Mahony
Roslyn Smith
Rita Sutton
Elaine Graham
Bayly Turner
Liz Artis
Lorraine Parsons
Peter Dawson
Ignacio de Castro
Carol Cardenas

Our deceased

Jenny Makepeace
John Reeves
Aloise Graham
Br Kevin Moss
Paul Thomas
Lyle Crough

Mass Intention

14.2 Sr Gladys Gardiner RSM
17.2 + Grahame Fisher

Roman Martyrology

13.2 St Benignus, Martyr
14.2 Sts Cyril & Methodius
15.2 St Craton, Martyr
16.2 St Julian, Martyr
17.2 7 Holy Founders of the
Servite Order
18.2 St Simeon, Bishop

*Omnes sancti Mártyres,
oráte pro nobis*

Home Visitation

If there is a parishioner in hospital, nursing home, home-bound who you know would appreciate a visit from a priest, please contact the Parish Office.

Free Mobile App

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TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST...

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's House. All are welcome!
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for the little ones to see and hear what's going on at the Altar. They tire of seeing the backs of other's head.
- Quietly explains the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, choirs, other ministers, etc.
- Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical actions/behaviour by copying you.
- If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."
- Remember that the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, God and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.
- More often than not you [parents] don't notice the smiles. You notice the rolled eyes and raised eyebrows and dirty looks and you think that at best you're not making anyone angry. But that's not true - at best, you're making the people around you saints. You're pulling them out of their self-obsession and reminding them that being at Church is about emptying ourselves for God and each other.
- I see you parents, struggling to control young kids with armbar hugs and steely glares, with ziplocked bikkies and colouring books. I can't imagine the amount of coordinating and patience it takes to suit your little ones up and get them to Mass. I don't mind their stomping, kicking or pew lounging, really. Please don't apologize. Children, please feel free to do your art work or puzzle. Children's liturgy sheet is available at the church foyer.

TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

- The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing.
- Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.
- Unless it is urgent or in emergency, try not to leave Mass before the Final Blessing. Remember, Judas Iscariot was the first person to leave Mass early.

LITURGY ROSTER

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time/A 19 February 2017

	Vigil-5.30pm	9.00am	5.30pm
Acolyte	T Ball	P Manvell (B)	J Mahony
Reader 1	J Milne	E Smith	K Bricknell
Reader 2	J Doyle	A Sartori	L Hearne
E.O. Mins	R Hobson K Pearson	Y Benning D O'Sullivan	A Hogan —
Piety Stall	J Davy	R O'Rourke	L Hearne
Counters	this week: next week:	K Dewsbury & C Yeaman B Burgess & M McKenzie	