



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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As you enjoy the Christmas Season with your family, please whisper a silent prayer of consolation and hope to the Baby Jesus of Bethlehem for people affected by drought and the bushfires. May God hear our prayers for an end to these calamities.



Wishing you all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2020!

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Times

Monday & Tuesday 30-31/12 No Mass
Thursday & Friday 02-03/01 No Mass

New Year's Day Mass

Wed 01/01 9.00am Holy Mass

Piety Stall

Before or after Mass please come and browse. Birthday, Sympathy etc cards, rosary beads, house blessings, Baptism gifts etc sale.

Tribunal of the Catholic Church

Marriage breakdown is usually a traumatic experience for all those concerned, and many divorced Catholics are unsure about the validity of their marriage according to church law. The Catholic Church reaches out in support of those whose marriage has broken down, while upholding the permanence of true Christian marriage. If you are divorced or in the process of finalising your divorce, and would like information about the annulment process please contact the Tribunal on 67718705 or by email: tribunal@armidale.catholic.org.au. All enquiries remain confidential to the Tribunal.

Job Hiring | Executive Assistant

A vacancy exists within the Bishop's Office in Armidale for an Executive Assistant. To obtain a position description phone 6771 8700 or email chancellor@armidale.catholic.org.au

Regular Mass Time and Sacraments

Weekends

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm
Sunday 9 am & 5.30 pm

Weekdays

Monday 7.00 am
Tuesday - Friday 9.30 am
Please refer to the NEWS section for an updated Mass time as weekday Masses may change from time to time

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

Plate Collections

1st Collection \$ 650.25
Envelopes PGP \$ 563.00
Loose \$ 44.70

In your charity, please pray for

Our sick

Petrina (Fardy) Keys
Joy Makepeace
Colleen Hamilton
Kevin Frost
Julien Ryan
Jay Peachy
Ricky Lee Peachy
Addison Peachy
Johanna Turner
Bayly Turner
Rita Kelly

Our Deceased

Mary Mahony

Mass Intentions

01/01 +Sr Margaret Wall

Roman Martyrology

29/12 Holy Family
30/12 St Anysia
31/12 St Sylvester
01/01 Mary, Holy Mother of God
02/01 Sts Basil the Great and Gregory
03/01 Most Holy Name of Jesus

Omnes sancti Márytes, oráte pro nobis.

Home Visitation

If there is a parishioner in hospital, nursing home, or homebound who you know would appreciate a visit from a priest, deacon or members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, please contact the Parish Office.

Sick List

If you would like to add someone to our sick list please use the "sick list prayer request form" placed on the clip board at the foyer.

FAMILY NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

O God, our loving Father, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another. As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time. To you be glory and honour, in this New Year, and forever. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Prayer for Rain

Most Gracious and Most Merciful God, Creator, Source and Giver of all things. Most powerful in heaven and on earth, we give You honour and glory. We thank You: for our home – the earth; for our light – the sun, moon and stars; for our solace – our family and friends, our community, our neighbours.

United as Your children, we come to You, pleading. Shower us with rain, provide us with water that we need. Father, Your children are begging to survive, hear us, we desire to live. Prolonged drought is depriving us of the fruits of our toil; low water supply means hunger and thirst for most of us. Drought continues to threaten our relationship with one another. O Lord, this is a very hostile phenomenon that we beg for You to end. At this time of looming catastrophe, dear Lord, dwell in our hearts. Teach us to be more generous; bring out the best in us. Turn our eyes and ears toward the needs of others, especially the poor. Move us to share more, care more, serve more and love more.

Holy God, You sanctify this earth to be our sacred abode. Grant us courage to take in hand the sufferings of the environment. Grant us might to save and protect the beauty of nature. Grant us wisdom to restore whatever we have destroyed. O Loving God, behold on us, Your beloved children. Feel us, feel for us; let heaven cry and its tears be our blessed rain. Have mercy on us Lord, have mercy.

We beg you, Most Gracious and Merciful God, Please, let it rain.

✠ Sacred Heart of Jesus	✠ Have mercy on us.
✠ Mary Help of Christians	✠ Pray for us
✠ St Edward, the Confessor	✠ Pray for us
✠ St Mary of the Cross	✠ Pray for us

LITURGY ROSTER

Epiphany of the Lord (A) 4th & 5th January 2020

Vigil-5.30pm	09.00am	05.30pm
	J Mahony (B)	P Manvell

Acolyte
Reader 1
Reader 2
E.O. Mins
Piety Stall
Counters

VOLUNTEERS

this week:	R Gorman & G Crocker
next week:	G Smith & B Gordon

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.