



# ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## [Mary Help of Christians Church]

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### NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Mass this week

Monday & Friday as usual

Tue 6 Dec No Mass, Council of Priests Meeting Armidale

Wed 7 Dec 9.30am Anointing Mass

Thu 8 Dec 6.00pm Immaculate Conception

(no morning Mass, ordination in Armidale)

#### Meetings

Monday 5 Dec 7.30 pm RCIA (meeting room)

Tuesday 6 Dec 5.30 pm Liturgy Committee

#### Advent Reconciliation

Wed 14 Dec 6.30pm visiting priests available

#### RCIA

Adam Ryan will be accepted to the Order of Catechumen at 9.00am Mass this weekend. We welcome him to our faith community and offer him our prayers and support.

#### Ordination

All parishioners are invited to the ordination of Kingsley Etoh this Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Dec, 11am at the Cathedral in Armidale. If you are unable to attend and would like to send a card or note, please drop them in to the Parish office by this Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec or leave at the Piety stall and they will be delivered to Kingsley on the day. There are a small supply of ordination cards available for purchase from the Piety stall.

#### Christmas Eve Nativity Play

All children who are interested in being part of the Christmas Eve Nativity Play please register on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

#### New Traffic Signs

New signs near the parking area and the church driveway have been installed for everyone's information.

#### Help Wanted

There will be a working bee at the church next Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Dec from 8am to 11am. Please bring gardening tools and old newspapers, if you have any, to help with general garden tidying including fertilizing and mulching as well as weeding the gardens and trimming bushes. If you can only come for 1 hour, please do so as many hands are needed.

#### Lenten Program 2017

If you would like to lead a Lenten Group please could you complete the sheet in the foyer. Ash Wednesday is on 1 March 2017.

#### Mass Time and Liturgical Services

##### Weekends

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 \$ 1273.50

Loose \$ 72.90

Dir Deb Nov \$ 1625.00

#### Let us pray for

##### Our sick

Lyle Crough

Fr John Carey

Fr Peter McGrath

Bernie Smith

Betty Mahony

Roslyn Smith

Kevin Johns

Rita Sutton

Elaine Graham

Bayly Turner

Liz Artis

Lorraine Parsons

Peter Dawson

Ignacio de Castro

##### Our deceased

Debbie Goodman

Helen Slaats

##### Mass Intention

5.12 Irene Whitten

6.12 Helen Slaats

##### Roman Martyrology

5.12 St Sabas

6.12 St Nicholas

7.12 St Ambrose

8.12 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.12 St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatzintzin

10.12 St Melchades

*Omnes sancti Mártyres,  
oráte pro nobis*

#### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

##### Saturday (24 Dec)

##### Christmas Eve

06.00 pm Children's Mass\*

08.00 pm Filipino Mass

12.00 am Midnight Mass\*

##### Sunday (25 Dec)

##### Christmas Day

9.00 am Morning Mass

no evening Mass

\* Christmas Carols begins 15 minutes before Mass

#### Christmas Decor Appeal

For just \$5 per Christmas decoration, you can decorate our Christmas Trees, share a Christmas Prayer and bring light to someone's life. After purchasing a decoration you can then choose a Christmas prayer cracker to put on the fridge or keep in your pocket in preparation for Christmas during Advent. Proceeds will go toward the purchasing of swags for the homeless in Tamworth and for our new monstrance. Decorations will be on sale before and after all weekend Masses until the New Year. St Edward's Parish is a generous and compassionate one and strongly upholds the credo of St Mary of the Cross:

**"Never See A Need Without Doing Something About it !"**

#### Piety Stall

3 weekends until Christmas! Just arrived—framed House blessing. Also available Christmas cards, cribs, plaques, tree ornaments and for the little ones colouring books that also tell the story of Christmas. New stocks of rosary beads, birthday and sympathy cards also available. Please take time to have a browse before/after Mass. Please collect 2017 Columban calendar orders from the Piety stall. Cost \$9.

#### Christmas Remembrance Service

A service to remember our loved one passed will be held on Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec, 6.30pm at Lincoln Grove Chapel. Light a candle o remembrance and assist in the planting of the 2016 tree along Memory Lane. Refreshments provided. Further info from Lincoln Grove 67607 471.

#### Christmas Dues

Every year, excess funds in the first collection (Presbytery Account) are sent to the Priest Salary Fund to help priests in the smaller parishes. This also means that, at the beginning of each year our Presbytery Account is \$0. Help us cover our costs for January. Envelopes for Christmas Offering are included in the Planned Giving envelope packs, they are also available at the foyer. Envelopes may be left on the collection plate at any Mass. This contributes towards the support of our priests and presbytery upkeep. Thank you!

#### Give yourself a present this Christmas.

Make your Christmas one to remember by opening your own ADIG Christmas Club

You can also access your Christmas Club from December 1.



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#### LITURGY ROSTER

Third Sunday of Advent /A 11 Dec 2016

	Vigil-5.30pm	9.00am	5.30pm
<b>Acolyte</b>	T Ball	P Manvell (A)	J Mahony
<b>Reader 1</b>	G Smith	D Pawsey	L Hearne
<b>Reader 2</b>		M Pawsey	H Harvey
<b>E.O. Mins</b>	T Tighe	J MacRae	R Fisher
	J Davy	L McGrath	J Moroney
<b>Piety Stall</b>	J Makepeace	J MacRae	L Hearne
<b>Counters</b>	this week:	G Tighe & A Robinson	
	next week:	M & M Mooney	

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