



# ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## [Mary Help of Christians Church]

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### NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Bishop Michael Kennedy's Visit

On Thursday 11 April, Bishop Michael Kennedy will be in the Parish to present the Papal Medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice to Mr Grahame Tighe, bless the newly renovated Parish Office and the school's new kiss and drop loop. All are invited and please bring a plate of finger food lunch. Schedule of Activities

10.00am Blessing of the Parish Office and Kiss & Drop Loop  
11.30am Mass and presentation of the Papal Mass  
12.00nn Lunch at the Parish Hall (*please bring a plate to share*)

#### Easter Duties Volunteers

Readers, commentators, Special Ministers of Communion and people for Washing of the Feet are needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. It would be most appreciated if you could please volunteer by writing your name on the sheet in the foyer.

#### Lenten Activities

Fridays of Lent 9am Stations of the Cross followed by Mass  
Wednesday 3 April 4pm First Confession (year 2 students & up)  
Wednesday 10 April 6pm Parish Reconciliation, 2nd Rite

#### First Confession

Wednesday, 3 April, 4.00pm, Please remember all children of the parish in your prayers as they prepare for this Sacrament.

#### First Friday Devotion | Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 5th April from 9.30am let us pray as one Christian family for the rain to end drought, for the increase of priestly vocations and for the protection of our persecuted Christian Communities.

09.30am Holy Mass  
10am - 6pm Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration  
05.45pm Benediction and Reposition

#### Mass of Holy Oils

A reminder that the bus leaves at **8.00am on Tuesday, 16 April** for those who have indicated that they will be attending. \$10 donation for petrol.

#### Invitation | Parish Mission

St Nicholas' Parish will be holding a Parish Mission from 27th to 31st May 2019 in preparation for Pentecost. It will be led by a team from Sydney, 'The Catholic Guy.'

Venue: St Nicholas' Church Time: 9.45am-10.45am or 7.30pm-8.30pm  
Morning session is repeated in the evening.

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 Sacraments

#### 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*

### Plate Collections

1st Collection \$ 616.30  
Envelopes PGP \$ 776.95  
Loose \$ 70.05

*In your charity,  
please pray with us for*

#### Our sick

Kevin Frost  
Judy Clarke  
Esmenia Ignacio  
Julien Ryan  
Pat Wade  
Jay Peachy  
Ricky Lee Peachy  
Fin Perdito  
Johanna Turner  
Bayly Turner  
Rita Kelly

#### Our Deceased

Rodney Stevenson  
Jeff Frewin  
Ernesto Baulete

#### Mass Intentions

31/3 + Joseph  
+ Anna, Joseph and  
holy souls  
01/4 + Trevor Clarke

#### Roman Martyrology

01/4 St Hugh of Grenoble  
02/4 St Francis of Paola  
03/4 St Benedict the African  
04/4 St Isidore of Seville  
05/4 St Vincent Ferrer  
06/4 St Crescentia Hoess

#### Visitation

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

#### Child Safe Parish

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 encouraged to read the booklet.

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

14-21 April 2019

Palm Sunday Blessing of Palms (all Masses)  
Holy Tuesday 11.00am Mass of Holy Oils - Armidale  
*(assembly area: in front of the presbytery along Hillvue road bus departs @ 8.00am)*  
Maundy Thursday 07.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Good Friday 08.30am Outdoor Stations of the Cross  
03.00pm Solemn Veneration of the Cross  
Holy Saturday 06.00pm Easter Vigil Mass  
Easter Sunday Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection  
Masses as usual (9.00am\* and 5.30pm)

*\*Easter egg hunt after the Easter Sunday 9am Mass, please bring easter eggs*

### 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

5th Sunday of Lent/C 7th April 2019

	Vigil-5.30pm	9.00am	5.30pm
<b>Acolyte</b>		P Manvell (A)	J Mahony
<b>Reader 1</b>	J Milne	C Kelly	K Bricknell
<b>Reader 2</b>	D Sullivan	A Sartori	H Harvey
<b>E.O. Mins</b>	B Gordon G Clarke	L McGrath G McSweeney	S Cunneen
<b>Piety Stall</b>	J MacRae	J Milne	L Hearne
<b>Counters</b>	this week: next week:	B & J Makepeace J MacRae & J Milne	