



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

May Christ's love and the spirit of Christmas bring joy to your home and families. God Bless.

Mass Monday (Boxing Day) 26.12 9.00 am

No Masses Tuesday to Friday 27-30 December

Weekday Masses

St Patrick's 9.00am Tuesday to Friday
St Nicholas' 7.00am Wednesday and Friday
St Mary's 9.00am Tuesday and Thursday
Nazareth House 9.30am Tuesday to Friday

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day Mass

Saturday 5.30 pm Sunday 9.00am and 5.30 pm

Christmas Decor Appeal-update To date \$1655.50 has been raised for this most worthwhile appeal. Thank you parishioners for your most generous support. 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 choose a Christmas prayer card to put on the fridge. Proceeds will go toward the purchasing of swags for the homeless in Tamworth and for our new monstrance. Decorations on sale before and after all weekend Masses until the New Year. Saint 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!"

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!

Piety Stall

For those last minute gifts, visit the Piety Stall. Open before and after Mass.

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

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 \$ 1290.00
Loose \$ 116.25

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

Leo Gleeson
Betty Linz
Debbie Goodman
Helen Slaats

Mass Intention

24.12 + Betty Linz
+ Constant & Benning
family members
25.12 + Erin Thomas
+ Oswald & Irene
Whitten
+ Paul Cox
26.12 + Michael Langan
+ Glen Coulton

Roman Martyrology

26.12 St Stephen
27.12 St John, Apostle
28.12 The Holy Innocents
29.12 St Thomas Becket
30.12 The Holy Family
31.12 St Silvester I, Pope

*Omnes sancti Mártýres,
oráte pro nobis*

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Candlemas

Thursday, 2 Feb 2017 is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord or the Purification of the Virgin Mary. During this Mass, candles are blessed. It is a day of hope and light. A time to honour the Lord as the Light of the World and to remind us that we too have that light within us. Please bring your own candles for the blessing. Mass at 9.30 am

First Friday: Feast of St Blaise

Friday 3 February 2017, 9.30 am Mass with blessing of the throat.

Morning Tea—Australia Day

Following 9.30am Mass on Thursday 26th January all parishioners are invited to Morning Tea in the hall to celebrate Australia Day. Please bring a plate of goodies that remind us of the mighty Aussie 'Cuppa' e.g. lamingtons, scones, damper, Anzac biscuits, mini meat pies, sausage rolls and 'don't forget the vegemite' etc. Please come along and join in the festivities.

2017 Sacramental Preparation Schedule

Term 1 | Reconciliation / Confession

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| Parent's Information Evening | 07/02/17 | 6.30pm |
| Enrolment Sunday | 12/02/17 | 9.00am |
| Prep. Classes (every Wednesday) | 15/02/17 | 4.00pm |
| Reception of Sacrament | 29/03/17 | 4.00pm |

Term 2 | First Holy Communion

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| Parent's Information Evening | 02/05/17 | 6.30pm |
| Enrolment Sunday | 07/05/17 | 9.00am |
| Prep. Classes (every Wednesday) | 10/05/17 | 4.00pm |
| Reception of Sacrament | 18/06/17 | 9.00am |

Term 3 | Confirmation

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| Parent's Information Evening | 01/08/17 | 6.30pm |
| Enrolment Sunday | 06/08/17 | 9.00am |
| Prep. Classes (every Wednesday) | 09/08/17 | 4.00pm |
| Reception of Sacrament | 17/09/17 | 9.00am |

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

LITURGY ROSTER

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God /A 1 January 2017

| | Vigil-5.30pm | 9.00am | 5.30pm |
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| Acolyte | T Ball | J Mahony (A) | P Manvell |
| Reader 1 | | Volunteers | |
| Reader 2 | | | |
| E.O. Mins | | Volunteers | |
| Piety Stall | J MacRae | D Sullivan | J Makepeace |
| Counters | this week: | B & J Makepeace | |
| | next week: | T Hill & P Greenaway | |