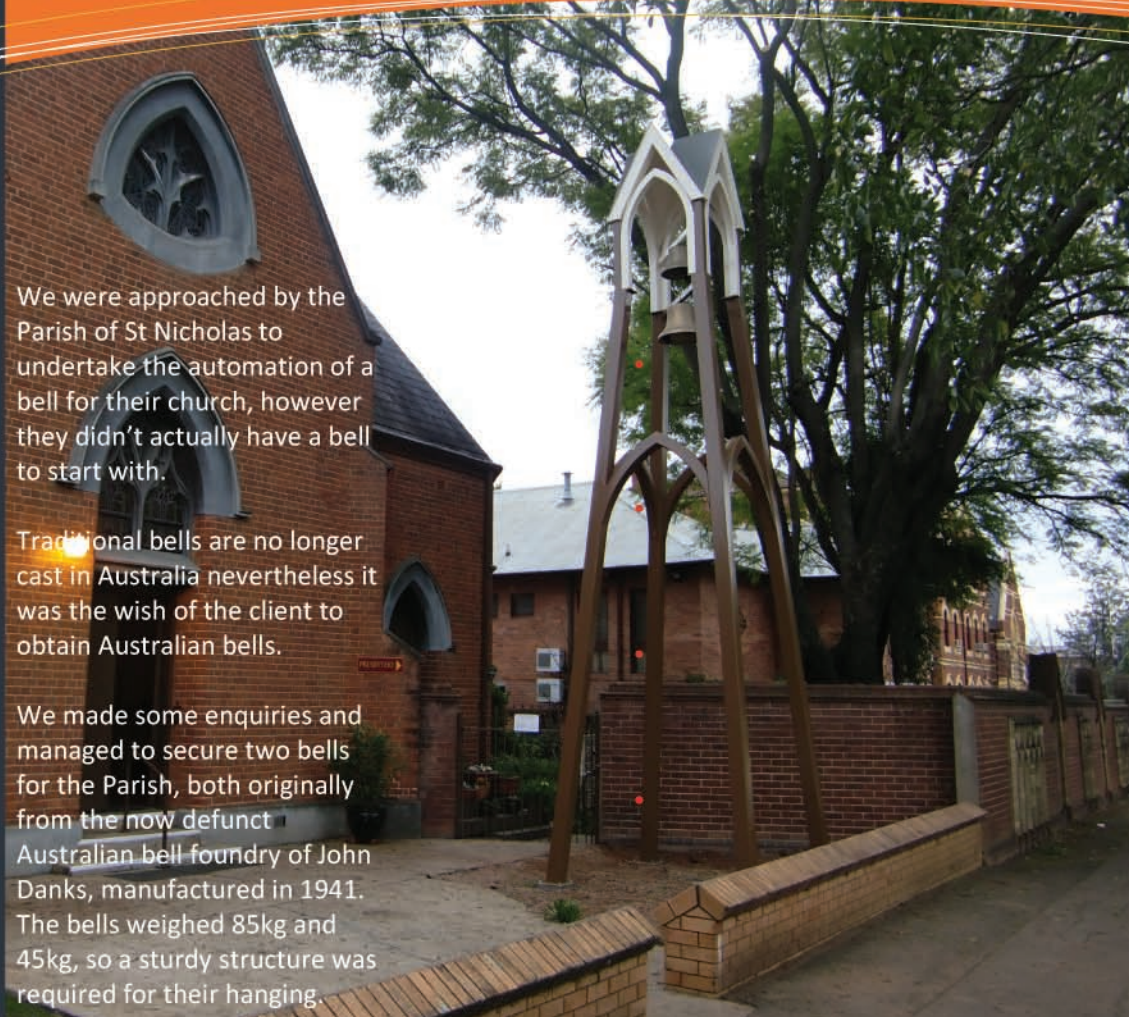


Case Study – Tamworth, NSW Parish of St Nicholas

We were approached by the Parish of St Nicholas to undertake the automation of a bell for their church, however they didn't actually have a bell to start with.

Traditional bells are no longer cast in Australia nevertheless it was the wish of the client to obtain Australian bells.

We made some enquiries and managed to secure two bells for the Parish, both originally from the now defunct Australian bell foundry of John Danks, manufactured in 1941. The bells weighed 85kg and 45kg, so a sturdy structure was required for their hanging.



A tower needed to be constructed for the bells and it was the wish of the client to involve a local fabrication company which had close links with the church over a number of generations. A concept was drawn up from a gothic revival specialist and this was interpreted to working drawings and fabricated in Tamworth.



The Parish wanted the bells to strike The Angelus on two bells (which is not normally done), we also installed a remote control feature so the Priest can start and stop the chime (or select a different chime) within a 100 metre radius of the church.

In July 2010, the tower was completed and the bells were installed. Changes to the ringing sequences etc can be carried out by remote access (via modem) from our offices, as required.

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