



St Monica's Church Deffell St Evatt

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

NORTH BELCONNEN

EVATT, GIRALANG, KALEEN, LAWSON, MCKELLAR, MELBA & SPENCE

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St Michael's Church Tyrrell Cct Kaleen



MASS TIMES

St Monica's Church, Evatt

Wednesday: 9.30 am
Friday: 7.00 am
Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm
Sunday: 10.00 am

St Michael's Church, Kaleen

Tuesday: 9.30 am
Thursday: 9.30 am
Saturday: 9.00 am
Sunday: 8.00 am & 5:30 pm

Reconciliation-Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4.30—5.30 pm, St Monica's
Sunday: 4.30—5.15 pm, St Michael's

Rosary

Tuesday 4.30 pm, St Monica's Chapel
Saturday 8.30 am, St Michael's
Sunday 5.00 pm, St Michael's

Legion of Mary

Tuesday 6.30 pm, St Monica's

Novena Devotion to O.L. of Perpetual Succour

Thursday 8.00 pm, St Michael's

Ei Shaddai Prayer Group

2nd & 4th Saturday of each month
12.30pm to 5.00 pm, St Michael's

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

New protocols are in effect
Contact Fr. Loi Viovicente on 6258 3212.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rejoice in the Lord always;
again I say, rejoice.
Indeed, the Lord is near.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently Deceased: Aiala Senini, Jacob Akkidasari, Noel Williams, Seamus Ferguson, Sr M. Christina Keogh RSJ, Ben Gafa

Death Anniversaries: Pelle Sebastiano, Vicenzo Costa, Michael Stinziani, Beth Hanrahan, Gerry Grzywacz, Greg Worthington

Sick: Vicki Heffernan, Fr Anthony 'Thonn' C. Riosa SSS, Jo & Des Kearns, Katherine Allen, Kerry Glover, Norma Pridgen, Xavier D'Ambrosio, Jun Reyes, Lyn Ardaiz, Shanna Aban, Joseph Flor, Bill & Monica Jones, Mary Gogusz, Oliver Short, Luke Inkin, Marie Fury, Oank Le, Huong thi Nguyen, Gainor White, Marg Nicholls, Julia Soriano

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C

REJOICE IN THE LORD!

A theme of joy always runs through the liturgy of the Third Sunday of Advent. The joy of this day springs from our anticipation and excitement that the Lord's coming is very near. We ask the Lord to remove any sadness from our hearts that may hinder us from embracing the peace and hope which his presence will bestow on us this Christmas.

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome three new members into our faith community through the waters of Baptism; Chris Banibane, Oliver Lloyd and Sienna Smith. May God's love and blessings be upon them on their Baptism day and always.

Archdiocesan Protocols for Covid from 12 November 2021

Bookings in advance for Mass are no longer required. The 2sqm per person rule applies for inside the church. Masks are not mandatory but recommended.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve, Friday, 24 December

- St Monica's: 6.00pm
- St Michael's: 8.00pm

Christmas Day, Saturday, 25 December

- St Michael's: 8.00am
- St Monica's: 10.00am (No 6.00pm Mass)

Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, 26 December

- St Michael's: 8.00am (No 5.30pm Mass)
- St Monica's: 10.00am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Monica's church on Friday, 24th Dec, 10am-12noon.

TAGS Lunch, Gungahlin Lakes Club, 16 December

Everyone is welcome to our December get-together, 12.30pm, Thursday. Contact Vivien Gleeson on 0400 466 555 if you'd like to join us.

Parish Ladies Christmas Dinner, 16 December

A private room at Yowani Country Club has been booked for our parish ladies Christmas dinner, Thursday, 6.30pm. Cost is \$42 each; pay on the night. To book your seat, please contact Tina Fisk on 0432 540 210, email: tinafisk@gmail.com or add your name to the list in the church foyer.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2022

If you will have a child in years 3,4 & 6 next year (2022) – this will be a Sacramental year.

Or if your child is in Y5 and he/she has previously missed the sacraments of Reconciliation and/or First Eucharist.

A Parish Sacramental Program Information Evening will be held on Thursday 17 February 2022 at 6pm for years 3-6 families.

The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be celebrated in term 2, 2022. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in term 3, 2022. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in term 4, 2022.

Further updates regarding the Sacraments will be provided in the 2022 school bulletins, the Church bulletin and on the parish website at www.cg.org.au/belconnennorth

Further Information regarding the Sacramental Program – please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator at sc.belconnennorth@cg.org.au or check the parish website at www.cg.org.au/belconnennorth



Lighting of the Candle of Joy

All: Father, at the height of our Advent walk, we relight the candles of hope and peace, and we light the candle of joy. Grant us the courage to experience joy in the hope of the Saviour's coming, joy in the face of apathy, joy in the face of sorrow, joy in the face of uncertainty. Amen.

Simbang Gabi 2021, 15-23 December, St Monica's

This traditional Filipino celebration is a novena of nine consecutive evening Masses to prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus. The Masses will be celebrated at 8pm, in English, and everyone is invited. We hope you can join us!

Booklets for Advent and Christmas

Copies of 'The Way', a booklet of prayerful reflections for Advent and the Christmas Season, are available in the church foyer, at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Vinnies Christmas Hamper Donations

To help support needy families this Christmas, we are seeking donations of non-perishable food items. A box has been placed in the foyer for the collection of donations. Thank you for your generosity.

Aid to the Church in Need Christmas Raffle

Pick a lucky draw for Christmas and also help the poor. Sale of raffle tickets at \$1 each after weekend Masses. The draw will take place on Saturday, 18th December, (not on the 11th as previously advertised). All proceeds go to the Church in Need.

Outcome of St Monica's Vinnies Appeal-Solomon Islands

As a result of the generosity of parishioners, we raised \$3,966 over the last two weekends for the work of St Theresa Vinnies group in Takwa, Solomon Islands. This is an amazing result and a testament to the willingness of our parishioners to assist those much worse off than ourselves. St Theresa Vinnies members are thrilled with this outcome and are now working to decide the best way to use these funds for their highest priority areas of need: education scholarships; medical supplies for the village clinic; establishment of a small piggery; and expansion of the stock in the Vinnies store. We will provide periodic updates during 2022 on the implementation of these projects. Thank you.

Vinnies Christmas Appeal – St Monica's, 18/19 December

We apologise that the delays with re-opening due to Covid mean this appeal is so soon after our recent Twinning Appeal. This year's Christmas Appeal is focusing on homelessness. Over the last 18 months we have seen a substantial increase in homelessness in the community we support – Melba, Spence, Evatt and McKellar. The examples in recent weeks include: a man with a mental illness who moves from one friend's house to another couch surfing; a young mother who has recently given birth and fortunately been allocated government housing after an extended period of homelessness; and a family whose breadwinner was injured and lost employment and has been living in a car. Much of this homelessness remains hidden from the wider community. Vinnies has multiple programs to assist people at risk of homelessness or actually homeless and living 'rough' on the streets. We would be grateful for any assistance you can provide. Thank you again.

ROSTERS—St Monica's

18-19 Dec 2021	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Mark Gore	Neill Cox
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Harry Collett
Readers	Shirley Paul Fiona Pettit	Chris Dudfield Harry Lourdes
Music	Anne	St Monica's Singers
Warden	Luke Wensing	Michael Holohan
Church Cleaning 18 December	Carlo & Sue Mancuso, Michaela & Marie Bangard, Jackie Hourigan	
Altar Society	Lucia Carbone, Flo Jeremiah	
Counters 19 December	Matt Houghton, Paul Sykes, Khalil Taouk	

ROSTERS—St Michael's

19 Dec 2021	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Sue Collins	Cynthia Parayiwa
Acolyte	Sam Bartone	TC Nguyen
Readers	Pat & Tony McArthur	Louise & Jack Amos
Eucharistic Minister	Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield
Projectionist	Livia Brown	Choir
Church Cleaning 18 December	Neil & Marie Seabrook, Kevin Heidl, Glen Matthews, Maree Corkran	
Sanctuary Linen	Su Nguyen	
Banking	Gerry Maynes, Linda Townrow	

Next Week's Readings

4th Sunday of Advent, Year C

Micah 5:1-4; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-44