



St Monica's Church Deffell St Evatt



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH NORTH BELCONNEN

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We acknowledge the Ngunnawal people, as Traditional Owners of the land where we gather today and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

MASS TIMES

St Monica's Church, Evatt

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

St Michael's Church, Kaleen

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

Reconciliation-Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 5.00 - 5.45 pm, St Monica's
Sunday: 4.30 - 5.15 pm, St Michael's

Rosary

Tuesday 4.30 pm, St Monica's Chapel
Sunday 5.00 pm, St Michael's
(Join Zoom Rosary at 4 pm every Wednesday & Friday
Meeting No: 697 896 1059, Password: 8Py80J)

Legion of Mary

Wednesday 6:00 pm, St Monica's

Novena Devotion to O.L. of Perpetual Succour

Thursday 8.00 pm, St Michael's

El Shaddai Prayer Group

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

Men Alive

Thursday 7.00pm, St Monica's

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

Contact Fr. Mick Mac Andrew on 0419 010 870

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B CALLED BY NAME.

It can be hard to believe that God knows each of us by name. Sometimes we need a wise guide, like the old priest Eli or John the Baptist, to help us recognise the voice of God in our life. Let us try to hear God's personal call to us in this Mass and in the events of this day, a call which says in different ways, 'come and dwell with me, share my life'.

Dates for Your Diary

Australia Day Friday 26th January Mass - St Monica's Church, Evatt 9:30am

(Lamington Competition judging – and eating)

Sat/Sun 3rd 4th February Sunday of The Word of God

Sat/Sun 10th 11th February – **Sacrament of Anointing at all Masses**

Wednesday 14th February – **Ash Wednesday, beginning of Lent**

Fridays of Lent – **Stations of the Cross**

Wednesday 28th February – **Daytime Parish Retreat 10am-2pm**

Wednesday 6th March – **Twilight Retreat 6pm-9pm**

Sat/Sun 24th March – **Palm (Passion) Sunday, Holy Week begins**

Mon 25th March – **Mass of the Chrism** (St Christopher's Cathedral)

Thurs 28th March – **Holy Thursday**

Fri 29th March – **Good Friday**

Sun 31st March – **Easter Sunday**

Lamington Competition – Australia day

Create a lamington for Australia day.

Bring to Mass at Evatt on Australia day

– Friday 26th January, 9:30am.

Lamington can be in any shape or

form. Judging will be best idea, best

design and best eating. Fr Mick will

judge!!!!!!



THE MISSION OF OUR PARISH

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we, the faithful of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, are a multicultural Catholic family whose mission is to build a stronger worshipping community where:

The word of the Lord is proclaimed and lived.

We worship through sacrament and actions of care.

We honour the presence of God in our midst.

All are empowered to encounter, accept and build a personal

relationship with Jesus Christ.

Every member of our community feels welcomed regardless of

age, cultural background or personal gifts.

THE VISION OF OUR PARISH

Through the intercession and maternal protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, our goal is to build a family of faith of all ages

where we are connected to Jesus Christ and one another

through God's Word, liturgical worship and acts of service.

Pope Francis on Virtues and Vices

Dear brothers and sisters: in our continuing catechesis on the vices and the virtues, we now consider the sin of gluttony. As a guest at the wedding feast of Cana, Jesus taught the goodness of food and drink, and the joy of table fellowship. Rejecting the ritual distinction between pure and impure foods, the Lord turns our attention to our personal relationship with the consumption of food. In societies troubled by eating disorders and which, all too often, waste great amounts of food even as many people in our world go hungry, our eating habits should be moderate and socially responsible. May the prayers we say in thanksgiving for God's gift of our daily bread, inspire us to be mindful of our responsibility towards others and virtuous in our enjoyment of the good things of this earth.

The ancient Fathers gave the vice of gluttony the name "gastromargia" – gastrimargy, a term that can be translated as "folly of the belly". Gluttony is a "folly of the belly". There is also this proverb, that we should eat to live, not live to eat – "a folly of the belly". It is a vice that latches onto one of our vital needs, such as eating. Let us beware of this. If we interpret it from a social point of view, gluttony is perhaps the most dangerous vice, which is killing the planet. Because the sin of those who succumb before a piece of cake, all things considered, does not cause great damage, but the voracity with which we have been plundering the goods of the planet for some centuries now is compromising the future of all. We have grabbed everything, in order to become the masters of all things, whereas everything had been consigned to our custody, not for us to exploit. Here, then, is the great sin, the fury of the belly is a great sin: we have abjured the name of men, to assume another, "consumers". Today we speak like this in social life, consumers. We did not even notice when someone had started to give us this name. We were made in order to be "Eucharistic" men and women, capable of giving thanks, discreet in the use of the land, and instead the danger is that we turn into predators; and now we are realizing that this form of "gluttony" has done a great deal of harm to the world. Let us ask the Lord to help us on the road to sobriety, so that the many forms of gluttony do not take over our life. Thank you.

An Evening with Christopher West, 20 January, 7:00pm-9:30pm, All Saints Catholic Church, Liverpool, Sydney

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is proud to present 'Male and Female He Created Them': Rediscovering Authentic Masculinity and Femininity by Christopher West, brought to you by the Theology of the Body Institute.

Introductory CPE Course, January-February

An Introductory Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered online using Zoom in January/February 2024. This short 40-hour course will comprise of 6 sessions and run from 9am to 3.30pm, commencing Mon 29, then Tues 30, Wed 31 January, then Mon 5, Tues 6 and Mon 12 Feb. Applications close on Thursday January 25, 2024. For more information please contact Barbara Hall at barbarahall1909@gmail.com or phone: 0418 413 731

Parish Sacramental Program 2024

A Parish Sacramental Program Information Evening Will be held at **6pm on Thursday 8 February 2024** in St Michael's Church, Kaleen for the families of students in years 4-6 in 2024. You are very welcome to attend the information evening where all the relevant information will be available.

School of Religion

Preparation classes for the Sacraments are held on Tuesdays from 6-7pm in the meeting room in St Monica's Church, Evatt. For information regarding the 2024 Sacramental Program, please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - preparation classes commences on 27 February 2024 for 6 weeks and the Sacrament will be celebrated on 9 April in St Monica's Church.

Sacraments to be celebrated in 2024

Sacrament of Reconciliation - will be celebrated during term 1, with registrations opening on 19 February via the parish Qkr! App - Our Lady of Perpetual Help (not the school app).

Sacrament of First Communion - will be celebrated on the weekend of 15 and 16 June.

Sacrament of Confirmation - will be celebrated during Term 3, 2024 (dates to be confirmed.)

For further information regarding the Sacramental Program – please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator at sc.belconnennorth@cg.org.au or check the parish website for updates at www.cg.org.au/belconnennorth

ROSTERS 20-21 January 2024

St Monica's	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Katie Brasnett	Neill Cox
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Readers	Veronica Dahl	Clare Geoghegan
	Katie Brasnett	Robert Sharf
Music	Karen	Anne
Warden	Kelly Grzywacz	Michael Holohan
Church Cleaning	The Nahon Family	
Altar Society	Suzy Grgic & Kelly Grzywacz	
Counters	John, Maureen, Daniel	
St Michael's	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass	Neil Seabrook	Ivan Cretni
Coordinator		
Acolyte	Bobby Goodwin	Phillip Butler
Readers	Pat & Tony	Louise & Jack
	McArthur	Amos
Eucharistic Minister	Anne Staines	Margaret Duffield
Church Cleaning	Tim & Gen, Sam, Margaret, Nidhi	
Sanctuary Linen	Arleen Stark	
Banking	Luciana Ciaccia & Clyde Robins	

Next Week's Readings

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20