



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: 8:00 am, Croatian Community
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 5:00 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

El Shaddai Prayer Group

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

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

Contact Fr. Loi Viovicente on 6258 3212.

Mass with the Anointing of the Sick

2nd Wednesday of the month, St Monica's
2nd Saturday of the month, St Michael's

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

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

Please pray for rain for the drought stricken areas of
our Archdiocese and beyond.

Recently Deceased: Jacob Accidasari, Patrick Nolan, Mary Boyle,
Judy MacAndrew, Julieta Daanton Alcalá, Dominique Djomani Ngaleu

Death Anniversaries: Vicento Mercado, Bernard Nolan, Kathleen
Holden, Amelia Dalbo, Natele Dalbo, Concetta De Marco, D. De Marco

Sick: Joanne, Neil Seabrook, Kevin Connor, Kevin Norton, Emeritus
Archbishop Francis Carroll, Des Kearns, Greg Worthington, Angela
Worthington, Stanko Rezo, Peter Lusty, Raja, Aialisia Senini, Claris, Rae
& Glenn Zinkel, Bill Jones, Mary Gogusz, Felix Zamora, Frances
Smythe, Andre Swanepoel, Betty Bestwitch, Joan Lowe, Helen, Valerie
Hanlon, John Mills, Anthony Pasquariello, Teresita Caringal, Marie
Wicks, Heno Laana, Edelweisse Symons, Peter Naughton

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

'THE BLIND WILL SEE AGAIN.'

Many of the Jewish people did not expect a Messiah like Jesus. Many wondered: 'Are you the one who is to come?' Jesus came not to exercise sovereignty and power over the people but to bring blessing to the poor and needy. Let us celebrate his birth this Christmas by being good news for the poor.

PARISH NOTICES

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome five new members into our faith community through the waters of Baptism; Liam, Teo and Yubi Park, Sean Llagas and Charlie Nichols. May God's blessings be showered upon them on their special day.

Welcome Fr Anthony Riosa,SSS

We extend a warm welcome to Fr Anthony Riosa, a Blessed Sacrament Father, who will assist in our parish until the end of next month.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

St Michael's: 5.30pm, 11.00pm (using Midnight Mass liturgy)
St Monica's: 6.00pm, 8.30pm

Christmas Day

St Michael's: 8.00am
St Monica's: 10.00am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at both churches on Tuesday, 24th December, 10.00am-12noon.

Simbang Gabi, St Monica's, 15-23 December, 8.00pm

This is a nine day Novena Mass in preparation for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ. All parishioners are invited to attend the Masses.

Youth Mass, St Michael's, 22 December, 5.30pm

This will be on the fourth Sunday, just for this month. All youth are invited to attend and to stay for fellowship afterwards. Please bring a plate of food to share. Contact Monica: 0435 876 303.

Vinnies Cards and Calendars at St Monica's

The St Vincent de Paul Society is selling Christmas cards, \$4.00 per packet, and Columban calendars, \$9.00 each, in the church foyer. Stock up before Christmas and help a good cause.

Advent Booklets

Copies of 'The Way', a booklet of prayerful reflections, are available in the church foyer at a cost of \$4.00 each.

Volunteers for 8.00am Sunday Mass Morning Tea

Some more volunteers are needed to provide the morning tea at St Michael's for the last Sunday of each month. If you could assist, please see Marie Seabrook after Mass or send an email to the parish office. Thank you.

Volunteers for Christmas Flyer Letterbox Drop

This Advent, our parish will again do a letterbox drop of Christmas flyers. There are 10,000 flyers to deliver so your help is needed. Please collect a kit from the church foyer and help to spread the good news of Jesus' birth.



THE LIGHTING OF THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE

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 joy that comes with 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.

PRAYER FOR THE BLESSING OF RAIN

Lord God, Bless Australia, our Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. Grant, that as the Cross shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light to our nation, to its peoples old and new. May we receive the blessing of abundant rain so that the 'desert blooms with the life that lies in wait.' May those in our country experiencing drought, fire and other natural disasters, be aware of our tangible support through our prayer and actions. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

'Step-Up' School Shoes Project for Fiji

Transform lives today by giving children in Fiji a pair of shoes to attend school with dignity, helping them to learn, play and thrive. We are seeking donations of new and used (in good condition) black school shoes, or sports shoes, suitable for children from prep to year 12. These will be sent to St Peter's and Lomari primary and secondary schools in Fiji. Boxes have been placed in the foyers of both churches, for collection of the shoes. Thank you for your generosity. Contact: Michaella Bangard on 0412 599 603.

ARCHDIOCESAN NOTICES

The Marian Movement of Priests 13th Annual New Year's Eve Prayer Vigil, Dickson, 31st December, 8pm

St Brigid's Church, 2 Bancroft Street, Dickson.
First Cenacle 8.00pm, Joyful Mysteries
Second Cenacle 9.00pm, Luminous Mysteries
Third Cenacle 10.00pm, Sorrowful Mysteries
Fourth Cenacle 11.00pm, Glorious Mysteries
There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.00pm until 11.45pm, concluding with Benediction. Enquiries to Judy & Joe Mewburn on 6254 6202.

Caritas Australia Global Gifts

Be 'an angel' this Christmas by giving a Caritas Global Gift. This gift will provide clean water, food or sustainable livelihoods—things we often take for granted in Australia. In return, you will receive a beautiful card or e-card to give to your loved one, showing you have made a contribution on their behalf. Purchase online at: caritas.org.au/global gifts or phone 1800 024 413.

ROSTERS—St Monica's

21-22 Dec 2019	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolytes	Garry Compton	Ciaran Gerrard
Altar Servers	Tomas Grgic Claudia Grgic	Anton Den Hartog
Special Ministers	Elaine Smith John Smith	Daniel Akkidasari Colleen Di Crescenzo Eileen Simon Mirella Sadkowsky
Readers	Paul Sykes	Clara Geoghegan Alex Montaos
Music	Anne	Eclectics
Wardens	John Smith	Robert Jepsen
Church Cleaning 21 December 2019	Anne & Gavan Smith, Jenny Jeffery, Dolores Schneider, Sean Werapermall	
Altar Society	Suzy Grgic, Kelly Grzywacz	
Counters 22 December	Matt Houghton, David Sturgess, Paul Sykes	
Children's Liturgy 22 December	Pilar Davidson	

ROSTERS—St Michael's

22 December 2019	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Tina Fisk	AJ Emalay
Acolytes	Volunteer Leo Farrelly	Colin Kish
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Readers	Rod Nicholas Anne Staines	Youth Readers
Special Ministers	Livia Brown Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield Zdiz Hebda Doug Widdup
Projectionist	Arleen Stark	Choir
Church Cleaning 21 December	Tina Fisk, Gerry Maynes, Annette Cox, Su Nguyen, Susan Wong	
Sanctuary Linen	Sr Kate	
Banking	Gerry Mayne, Linda Townrow	

Next Week's Readings
4th Sunday of Advent Year A
Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24