



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  
 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  
 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

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

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.

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.  
 My heart will rejoice in your salvation.  
 I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will recount all your wonders,  
 I will rejoice in you and be glad,  
 and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Recently Deceased:** Jonna Malaban (Gallana Family), Joseph Eward Flor (member of Bindi Flor-Singon Family), Victims of Turkey-Syria earthquake, Fr. Neville Drinkwater, Ian Farmer, Florentius Sunardi Sunirman & Giselagoris Yenny, Tony Mooney, Bill Jones, John Suckling

**Anniversaries & Remembrances:** Cvita Huljev, Steven Najdecki, Joseph Gerrard, Fr Henry Byrne, Fr Laurie Blake, Lirio Lukban

**Sick:** Hilaria Bathan, Francis Politano, Tony Murdoch, Donal Gerrard, Luke, Oliver, Jo Van der Geest, Pauline Greig, Fr Chris Murphy, Terry Nolan, Baby Maisie, Katia Banac, Rosa Bui Thi Ngoc Bich, Bernard Storrier, Vicki Heffernan, Des Kearns, Katherine Allen

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A BE HOLY!

*The word 'holy' can conjure up the image of someone who is always praying and, perhaps, cut off from everyday earthly realities. Today's readings, however, remind us that holiness is not measured by the calluses on our knees but by our love for others. Most essentially, holiness is God's gift. We are a holy people because God loves us and dwells among us making us the temple of God.*

### Lent - Ash Wednesday

Masses:  
 St Monica's, Evatt - 7:00am & 9:30am  
 St Michael's, Kaleen - 12 noon & 6:00pm  
 Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence from meat.

### Stations of The Cross during Lent

St Michael's, Kaleen – Fridays in Lent 7:00pm, followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 St Monica's, Evatt – Wednesdays in Lent 7:00pm, followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation

### Prayer/Discussion Groups for Lent

Join one of the groups as per sheets in each church foyer. Lent is our forty day journey of prayer, fasting and charity in preparation for the renewal of our Baptism promises at Easter.

### The Bible for Catholics

Come along to either session to hear about the Bible in the life of a Catholic. Something for everybody in the talk – history, theology, prayer. The talk can assist you in your use of the Bible in everyday life. There is no obligation to join a Bible study group, but details will be given of two groups, Beginner's and Advanced.

### Sessions – this Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at St Monica's Church Meeting Room.

Either 2:00pm or 7:00pm for just an hour.

### Project Compassion

Is the world's largest charitable appeal. Join with people on every continent in offering the gift of hope through your sacrifices to those who are in need. **Our Parish campaign will be launched next Sunday.**

### Parish Sacramental Program 2023

**If you have a child in years 4, 5 or 6 in 2023, this may be a Sacramental year.**

**First Eucharist** will be celebrated on the weekend of 17 and 18 June 2023.

**Confirmation** will be celebrated on 5, 6, 7 September 2023.

**Reconciliation** will be celebrated in term 1, 2024.

**School of Religion** – Sacrament dates and registration are the same as St Michael's and St Monica's Schools candidates (see above). Classes are held on Tuesdays from 6-7pm in the meeting room in St Monica's Church.

**Sacrament of First Eucharist** - Classes for the Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held on 9, 16, 23, 30 May and 6 June 2023 in the meeting room at St Monica's Church, Evatt from 6-7 pm.

**For further information regarding the Sacramental Program** – please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator at [sc.belconnennorth@cg.org.au](mailto:sc.belconnennorth@cg.org.au) or check the parish website for updates at [www.cg.org.au/belconnennorth](http://www.cg.org.au/belconnennorth)

## From Pope Francis - on being evangelists

Dear brothers and sisters: In our continuing catechesis on apostolic zeal, the desire to share with others the joy of the Gospel, we now consider the calling of the twelve apostles, whom Jesus chose "to be with him and to be sent out to proclaim the Good News" (Mk 3:14). Both aspects of that call are essential, for only by closeness to Jesus do we learn to proclaim him and not ourselves, his word and not our own. As Jesus sends the apostles forth on mission, he tells them to share the gift that they themselves received, the unmerited gift of God's redeeming love. Their message must be his own: that the kingdom of God is at hand and requires only that we receive it with open hearts. Jesus also tells the apostles that they are sent forth like sheep among wolves, to propose the Gospel above all by their witness of meekness, innocence and personal conviction, proclaiming Christ more by their actions than by their words. The Church, as "apostolic", is entirely missionary; each of us, in Baptism, is called by Jesus to live in closeness to him and to be sent forth, in union with all our brothers and sisters, to bear witness to his Gospel before the world.

### Book for sale

There is a bookstall, with books on prayer for sale this week.

### International Women's Day Breakfast, 9 March, 7:30 am,

Canberra Senior's Centre, 10 Watson Street, Turner  
 Canberra's International Authority on human Rights, Dr Helen Watchirs, will be the Guest Speaker. Everyone is invited to hear Dr Watchirs and to catch breakfast with new and old friends. Registrations can be made by phone: 0487 388 873 or online: <https://www.cgwomen.com.au>

### 50 Year Reunion of St Christopher's Coffee House, 25 March

A time to recall and remember the extraordinary gift of that time in the lives of so many young adults, and where the journey of life has taken us. Gathering in the Haydon Hall (next to St Christopher's Cathedral) from 3-10 pm. The 5 pm Parish Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Mick Burke. For those who were part of the Coffee House during 1973-1977, we would love you to join us. Please RSVP by 11th March 2023. For more information contact: Sue Woods on 0438 811 742 (email: [smwoods6@gmail.com](mailto:smwoods6@gmail.com)) or Tricia O'Keeffe on 0414 627 267 (email: [oktricia0@gmail.com](mailto:oktricia0@gmail.com))

### St Monica's School Fete - Saturday 1st April 10 am - 2 pm

Advance notice for those who wish to support the fete – cakes, sweets, craft items and of course the white elephant stall. More details to follow, but put the date in your diary.

### Position Vacant - Part Time Parish Secretary, St Joseph's Parish, O'Connor

People are invited to apply for this temporary position for 10-12 hours per week for approximately 4 months with the possibility of extension. Please refer to the church noticeboard for the experience and skills required. For more information, please email Deborah Foote, Parish Support Manager, Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn.

### Appeal for Earthquake victims

Aid To The Church In Need, Pope Francis' own charity is taking donations for the survivors of the Turkey-Syria earthquake. <https://aidtochurch.org/syriaearthquake>

### Palms Australia Mission: Change their lives and yours

Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills with those who have less opportunity to develop their talents. For more information visit: [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) or call: 02 9560 5333.

## ROSTERS—St Monica's

25-26 February 2023	6.00pm	10.00am
<b>Acolyte</b>	John Jeffrey	Neill Cox
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Harry Collett	Clair Devoy & Jessie Akkidasari
<b>Readers</b>	Franklin Soriano Paul Sykes	Alex Montaos Angela Cornell
<b>Music</b>	St Michael's Choir	Mixed Ensemble
<b>Warden</b>	Luke Wensing	Bob Jepsen

<b>25 February Church Cleaning</b>	Maryanne Gore, Jenny Moylan, Daniela Zolli, Catherine Willimot, Judy Sykes
<b>Altar Society</b>	Maxine Lloyd & Mary Williams
<b>26 February Counters</b>	John Jeffery, Maureen Delaney, Daniel Moses

## ROSTERS—St Michael's

26 February 2023	8.00am	5.30pm
<b>Mass Coordinator</b>	Tina Fisk	Ivan Cretni
<b>Acolyte</b>	Tony McArthur	Seven Tieupakt Tanya Butler
<b>Readers</b>	Maria Fernandes Dias Joshua & Sarah Dias	Louise & Jack Amos
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Sr Kate	Margaret Dudfield
<b>Projectionist</b>	Anita Lobo	Choir

<b>25 February Church Cleaning</b>	Canberra El Shaddai Prayer Group
<b>Sanctuary Linen</b>	Trish Bartone
<b>28 February Banking</b>	Doug Widdup & Rod Dudfield

<b>Next Week's Readings</b> 1st Sunday Of Lent, Year A Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11
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