



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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WORSHIP  
HONOUR

ENCOUNTER  
WELCOME

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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

### 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Drop down dew from above, you heavens,  
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;  
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;  
and his name will be called Emmanuel

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Recently Deceased: Bruno Bertinazzi, Jacob Accidasari, Patrick Nolan,  
Mary Boyle, Judy MacAndrew, Julieta Daanton Alcalá

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, Aialisa 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

### 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

#### A MAN OF HONOUR

Today's Gospel invites us to reflect on Joseph, the  
husband of Mary, who played such an important role in  
God's plan of salvation. Joseph was a man of honour  
who combined respect for the law with compassion for  
Mary. He was open to hear God's word to him. He is  
an example for us all.

#### POSITION VACANT

Our parish is seeking a **Parish Sacramental Program  
Coordinator**, 5 hours per week, to commence duties for  
the school year of 2020. For skills and experience required,  
refer to the parish website given above. Go to Parish News  
on the left-hand side, Position Vacant, then click on the  
PSPC file. Applications must be submitted online via email  
by 31st January 2020.

#### Baptism

This weekend we welcome Ella Tarbuck into our faith  
community through the waters of Baptism. May God's grace  
and blessings be showered upon her on this 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.

#### 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.

#### Christmas Flyer Letterbox Drop

Thank you to the volunteers who have delivered the flyers.  
Please remember to return the empty kits to the table in the  
church foyer so that these can be reused next year.

#### '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. Boxes have been placed in  
the foyers of both churches, for collection of the shoes.  
Thank you for your generosity. Contact: Michaela Bangard  
on 0412 599 603.

#### 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 \$4.00 each.



#### THE LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

All: Father, as our Advent pilgrimage draws to a  
close, we relight the candles of hope, peace and joy.  
We light the candle of love. Grant us the courage to  
share your love; love for life and all creation, love for  
sinners and saints, love for the poor and the little ones.  
We thank you for the hope your Son gives us, for the  
peace he bestows, for the joy your Spirit pours into our  
hearts, and for your love that redeems us and shows  
us the way. Amen.

#### 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.

#### ARCHDIOCESAN NOTICES

##### Archbishop's Christmas Appeal 2019

This appeal will be conducted at all Christmas Masses  
throughout the archdiocese. The appeal will raise funds for  
essential projects both overseas and within Australia. Read  
about the projects in the December issue of the Catholic  
Voice.

##### Diocesan Delegates for Plenary Council

Have you been part of the Plenary Council process of  
listening, prayer, dialogue and discernment? Two more  
leaders are needed to join Archbishop Prowse, VG Fr Tony  
Percy and Mons John Woods, as the team of five delegates  
for the Plenary Council. Please contact Fr Loi or your school  
principal if you feel called for this role. Expressions of  
interest are due by January 25th, 2020.

##### 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.

### ROSTERS—St Monica's

28-29 Dec 2019	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolytes	John Jeffery	Chris Dudfield
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Special Ministers	Kerry Morcombe Kay Grzadka	Roger Tregear F. Carneiro-Alphonso Marg Smith Volunteer
Readers	Jenny Jeffery Vince O'Donnell	Neill Cox Mylene Naboya
Music	Free	Anne
Wardens	Gavan Smith	Robert Brunato
Church Cleaning 28 December 2019	Jenny Greaves, Christine & Wolf Wanjura, Mr & Mrs Dizon	
Altar Society	Kay Grzadka, Linda Pike	
Counters 29 December	Robert Jepsen, Robert Brunato, Kelly Grzywacz	
Children's Liturgy 29 December	School Holidays	

### ROSTERS—St Michael's

29 December 2019	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Sue Collins	Cynthia Parayiwa
Acolytes	Sam Bartone Simeon Benedictos	AJ Emalay
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Readers	Sr Kate Rod Nicholas	Jasmin Boncales Luciana Ciaccia
Special Ministers	Livia Brown Vince Evans	Doug Widdup Zdiz Hebda Margaret Dudfield
Projectionist	Anita Lobo	Choir
Church Cleaning 28 December	Canberra El Shaddai Prayer Group	
Sanctuary Linen	Elaine Farrelly	
Banking	Gerry Mayne, Linda Townrow	
<b>Next Week's Readings</b>		
<b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Yr A</b> Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23		