



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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
 I will deliver him and give him glory,
 I will grant him length of days.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone,
 but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently Deceased: Angelo Santosouso (father of Gerry); Wang Onn; Russell Hills, Hanzel Banzon (relative of Carmina Cabardo), Jonna Malaban (Gallana family), Joseph Eward Flor (member of Bindi Flor-Singson family), Victims of Turkey-Syria earthquake, Fr. Neville Drinkwater, Ian Farmer

Anniversaries & Remembrances: Ken Hutchings, Monsignor Kevin Barry-Cotter, Drago Cretni, Cvita Huljev, Steven Najdecki, Joseph Gerrard, Fr Henry Byrne, Fr Laurie Blake

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A

A TIME OF PREPARATION.

The forty days spent by Jesus in the wilderness can be likened to the season of Lent. Jesus' time in the wilderness was a time of preparation for his ministry, a time in which he confronted the temptation to choose self and not the Father. For us Lent is a time of preparation for the feast of Easter. It is a time in which we are invited to examine whether the will of God is central to our lives.

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome Kaivel Sanchez into our faith community through the waters of Baptism. May God's love and blessings be upon him on his Baptism day and always.

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

Gluten-free Communion Hosts

Gluten-free Communion Hosts are available at Masses, please present to Fr Mick for Communion.

Parish Pastoral Council (held on 23 February)

The PPC discussed;

Covid 19 and liturgical practices

- Reintroduction of the Offertory Procession
- Sign of Peace - you can offer a hand
- Reintroduction of Chalice at weekday Masses
- Keep sanitizing hands on entry to the church
- If you have sore throat, cough or sniffles, please wear a mask
- Communion can be received in the hand or on the tongue

Community building

- Morning teas to be held once a month after 8:00 am and 10:00am Masses

Youth Ministry

- A Youth Group to be commenced for young teens and Year 6

If you wish to serve on the PPC, please see Fr. Mick.

Parish Sacramental Program 2023

If your child is in years 4, 5 or 6 in 2023, this may be a Sacramental year.

First Eucharist will be celebrated on 17 and 18 June 2023 across all four parish Masses.

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 or check the parish website for updates at www.cg.org.au/belconnennorth

Bible Study Groups

Commencing week of 5th March

Introductory Group (10 sessions)

Tuesday 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm **or**
 Tuesday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 St Monica's Meeting Room

Advanced Group

Thursday 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
 St Monica's Meeting Room **or**
 Thursday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 in the presbytery, 1 Sharwood Crescent, Evatt

Pope Francis Lenten Message

Copies available at the church doors

Plenary Council Decisions

Copies available at the church doors

Caritas Australia - Project Compassion 2023

Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are available in the foyer to support Caritas Australia this Lenten Season. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For all Future Generations**. Visit: caritas.org.au/project-compassion for more information. This Project Compassion Appeal is available in the Parish Qkr! App under ACG Special Collections.

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) or Tricia O'Keefe on 0414 627 267 (email: 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 at deborah.foote@cg.org.au

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 or call: 02 9560 5333.

ROSTERS—St Monica's

4-5 March 2023	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Mark Gore	Franklin Soriano
Altar Servers	Jacob Gallana	Aria Wallace
Readers	Veronica Dahl Clair Devoy	Neill Cox Leon Sadkowsky
Music	McKerrows	Wingettes
Warden	Noel Simento	Anna & Robert Brunato

4 March Church Cleaning	Jo McMillan, John Clifford, David Whalan, Lillian Prdjan
Altar Society	Maree Mitchell & Maryanne Gore
5 March Counters	Marian Irvine, Ross Catanzariti, Gary Compton

ROSTERS—St Michael's

5 March 2023	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Neil Seabrook	Cynthia Parayiwa
Acolyte	Tony McArthur	TC Nguyen
Readers	Annett Jose Anne Staines	Maria Jayan Joel Kurian
Eucharistic Minister	Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield
Projectionist	Anita Lobo	Choir

4 March Church Cleaning	Margaret Dudfield, Linda Townrow, Ted Smith, Ivan Cretni
Sanctuary Linen	Livia Brown
7 March Banking	Doug Widdup & Rod Dudfield

Next Week's Readings

2nd Sunday Of Lent, Year A

Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9