

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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MASS TIMES

St Monica's Church, Evatt

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

St Michael's Church, Kaleen

Tuesday: 9.30 am 9.30 am Thursday:

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

4.30 pm, St Monica's Chapel Tuesday

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

6.30 pm, St Monica's Tuesday

Novena Devotion to O.L. of Perpetual Succour

Thursday 8.00 pm, St Michael's

El Shaddai Praver Group

2nd & 4th Saturday of each month Saturday

12.30pm to 5.00 pm. St Michael's

Men Alive

Thursday 7.00pm, St Monica's

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

Contact Fr. Loi Viovicente on 6258 3212.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God, In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

Nor let my enemies exult over me:

and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase

PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently Deceased: Joan Porta, Sharon Woods (Fr John Woods' sister). Cecilia Gowing, Laurie Cannon, Mary Gogusz

Death Anniversaries: Fr Jim De Mooy, Ben Gafa, Beth Hanrahan, Michael Stinziani, Fr Francis Carson, Vicente Nguyen Van Den

Sick: Tony Murdoch, Pam Edwards, Vince Evans, Brid Gerrard, Donal Gerrard, Luke, Oliver, Jo Van der Geest, Pauline Greig, Fr Chris Murphy, Elena Bautista, Terry Nolan, Baby Maisie, Katia Banac, Rosa Bui Thi Ngoc Bich, Bernard Storrier, Vicki Heffernan, Des Kearns, Katherine Allen, Norma Pridgen

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT. YEAR A

WALK IN GOD'S LIGHT

We do not know when Christ will come again in glory. Nor do we know the day of our death. This should not worry us. What is important is to live this day well by being respectful and loving towards each other and seeking to walk in God's light. If we do this, we will be ready whenever God calls us to eternal life.

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome three new members into our faith community through the waters of Baptism; Thomas & Hugh Byatt and Patrick McQuinn. May God's love and blessings be upon them on their Baptism day and always.

Parish Youth Mass, St Michael's, 5.30pm, 27 November

Are you aged 12 or under? Come along for our parish's final Youth Mass next Sunday. This will be followed by a quick children's group session at the parish office next door, where we will have food, fun and worship. Invite your mates too! For more information, contact Youth Minister, Monica, on 0435 876 303.

St Michael's Vinnies Christmas Appeal

This year, the Vinnies Christmas Appeal will be different. In a time of rising costs, the Conference believes that our companions will be best supported with donations of food. We will not be providing toys, so our collection boxes with be for food items only. The primary school and the parish will be supporting families with baskets of specific food items from a list. We ask parishioners to take a card, or a number of cards, based on what they can afford, from the large laundry baskets in the foyer. Each card refers to food items. The baskets are coloured. When you have purchased your item(s), please place this in the basket of the appropriate colour. We must have the baskets filled by the end of the evening Mass on Sunday, 18 December, for distribution prior to Christmas. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

Parish Sacramental Program 2022

Sacrament of Reconciliation - School of Religion

Congratulations to these students who celebrated the Sacrament this week. Please keep these young people in your prayers.

Parish Sacramental Program 2023 If you have a child in Years 4,5 or 6 in 2023, this is a

Sacramental Year.

A Parish Sacramental Program Information Evening will be held on Thursday, 16 February, 2023, at 6pm in St Monica's Church for the families of students in Years 3-6 in 2023. You are very welcome to attend this Information Evening where all the relevant information will be available.

First Eucharist will be celebrated on 17 and 18 June, 2023 Confirmation will be celebrated in September 2023 (dates to be confirmed with the bishop.)

Reconciliation will be celebrated in Term 1, 2024.

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

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Loving and generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You.

Help us to grow in the love and service of our Church as we experience it today.

Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith filled leaders who will embrace Christ's mission of love and justice.

Bless our parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve You as Sisters, Priests, Deacons and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

The Marian Grotto

We are inviting expressions of interest from parishioners who would like to have a standard brick sized, sand cast, bronze wall plaque installed on the Grotto Wall in memory and honour of their deceased family members. The estimated cost of this wall plaque would be \$300. If you are interested, please enter your name and contact details on the form provided in the church foyer, so you can be contacted. For further information please contact Fr Loi or Gavan Smith on 0416 258 846.

Rededication of the Old Cathedral, Goulburn, 30 November There will be a Mass to celebrate the reopening and blessing of Sts Peter & Paul's Old Cathedral, Goulburn, Wednesday, 30 November, 11am-1pm. This is to mark its 159th anniversary. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Phone 02 6239 9863 for more details or visit: www.trybooking.com/CCGFP.

One Day Retreat, St Vincent's Church, Aranda, 3 December 'A Taste of Spirituality'- Enter into the inner room of your heart, through meditative prayer. This retreat will be lead by Sr Lorraine Cupitt RSM, on Saturday, 3 December, 10am-3pm. The venue is the Orana Centre next to the church. Phone the parish office on 6254 1827 for more enquiries.

Parish Ladies Dinner, Yowani Country Club, 15 December The Parish Ladies Christmas Dinner will be held in the Yowani function room on Thursday, 15 December, 7pm. The cost is \$42. If you'd like to come along, please email Tina: tinafisk@gmail.com or send a text to 0432 540 210.

Booklets for Advent and Christmas

Copies of 'Incarnate', a booklet of prayful reflections for Advent and the Christmas Season, are available in the church foyer at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Position Vacant-Parish Secretary, Charnwood Parish Interested applicants are invited to apply for this part-time position at St Thomas Aguinas Parish. Please refer to the church noticeboard for the experience and skills required. For more information please phone Debbie Hofman on 6258 1563 or email charnwood@cg.org.au.

Reinstatement of the Sunday Mass Obligation

With the easing of the Covid-19 pandemic, Archbishop Prowse has reinstated the Sunday Mass obligation for those able to attend Mass. A copy of the Archbishop's statement is on the notice board.

ROSTERS—St Monica's

3-4 December 2022	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Dolores Schneider	Franklin Soriano
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Anton den Hartog
Readers	Katie Brasnett Fiona Pettit	Clara Geoghegan Leon Sadkowsky
Music	Anne	Eclectics
Warden	Kelly Grzywacz	Bob Jepsen

3 December	Gavan Smith, Jenny Jeffery, Dolores
Church Cleaning	Schneider
Altar Society	Maree Mitchell, Maryanne Gore
4 December	John Jeffery, Maureen Delaney, Daniel
Counters	Moses

ROSTERS—St Michael's

4 December 2022	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Neil Seabrook	Ivan Cretni
Acolyte	Tony McArthur	Seven Tieupakt Chris Murphy
Readers	Julianne Garcia Anne Staines	Joel Kurian Maria Jayan
Eucharistic Minister	Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield
Projectionist	Anita Lobo	Choir

3 December Church Cleaning	Tina Fisk, Gerry Maynes, Annette Cox, Su Nguyen, Livia Brown
Sanctuary Linen	Trish Bartone
6 December Banking	Gil Watters, Diane Watters

Next Week's Readings

Second Sunday of Advent, Year A

Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12