



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

### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal people, as Traditional Owners of the land where we gather today and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

### MASS TIMES

#### St Monica's Church, Evatt

Wednesday: 9.30 am Friday: 7.00am  
Saturday Vigil: 5.00 pm Sunday: 10.00am

#### St Michael's Church, Kaleen

Tuesday: 9.30 am Thursday 9.30am  
Saturday: 9.30 am  
Sunday: 8.00 am & 5:30 pm

### Reconciliation-Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4.00 - 4.45 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

Wednesday 6:00 pm, St Monica's

### Novena Devotion to O.L. of Perpetual Succour

Thursday 8.00 pm, St Michael's

### EI 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

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders;  
in the sight of the nations  
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.  
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,  
alleluia.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**In Thanksgiving and Special Intentions:** Louise Zinkel, Sophy Jacob, Jacqui Poliquit, For Peace & Justice in all the world, For the suffering people of Gaza

**Anniversaries and Remembrances:** Mollie Reiher, Dink Sargent, Tony Saunders, Jakov Ivancic, Gojko Martinovic, Andrew Mitchell, Elvie Pritchard, Jack Rowan, Mirko Kokic, Anna Le Thi Bich Dung, Gisela Joris Yenny, Florentius Sunardi

**Recently Deceased:** Damienus Nguyen Van Quy, Caterina Barbaro, Kathleen Redding, Anna Grabowski, Myra Kanowski, Matthew Dwyer

**Sick:** Maree Mitchell, Sophy Jacob, Carmel Ford, Helen, Joseph Cretni, Francis Kutty, Shelley Knoke, Colin Kish, Brenden Mooney, Nina Wood, Steven Whiting, Renato Penaloza, Baby Maisie, Marazelle, Michael Hanley, Elaine Drayson, Mary Murugesan, Vimala Mahalingam, Bong, Rose Rajer, Clare Menezes, Tricia Mitchell, Tony Marker, Sarah Driscoll, Caitlin, Royce Miosge, Hilaria Bathen, Francis Politano, Tony Murdoch

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

#### 'REMAIN IN ME.'

The branches of a vine will bear fruit only if they are attached to the vine. It is from the vine that they draw the life-giving nourishment they need. Likewise, we must remain attached to Jesus if we are to receive the life of God and produce the fruits of the Spirit in our world: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control' (Gal 5:22).

#### Sr Kate – Thank You

This weekend we say *Thank You* to Sr Kate for all she does in our Parish. Without fuss or fanfare Sr Kate goes prayerfully around the Parish tending to parishioners. Please join us for a cuppa with her after the 5pm Saturday Mass or the 8am Sunday Mass.

#### Youth Ministers

Congratulations to Aghil Babu and Geamila Ellis Raya who have commenced work last week as the Parish's Co-Ordinators for Youth Ministry. The first task for them is to get to know the young people in School Years 6 – 12 and to plan together how best to support these young people in their journey of life and faith. Please keep Aghil and Geamila in your prayers.

#### Saturday Morning Mass

The 9:30am Mass will continue at St Michael's, Kaleen.

#### WhatsApp for parishioners

Would you like to receive a video Gospel reflection mid-week and any parish notifications? The Parish will soon start a WhatsApp group. All you need to do is give us your mobile phone number. Any numbers collected will of course remain confidential and cannot be shared with others. A list for you to place your mobile number is at the church doors.

#### Stations of the Resurrection

##### Friday evenings 7:00pm

During Lent we had Stations of the Cross, now we have Stations of the Resurrection to keep Eastertide in focus.

The fourth session, this Friday, at St Monica's Evatt.

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St Monica's Church, Evatt - Wednesdays 6-7 pm

#### Project Compassion

Thank you for the many sacrifices you made during Lent to support Project Compassion. It is now time to bring in your offerings.

#### Pope Francis calls for negotiations for peace.

Referring in particular to the wars in Ukraine, in Gaza and others that continue to ravage the world, Pope Francis said " Please, countries at war, all of them... Stop the war. Look to negotiate. Look for peace. A negotiated peace is better than a war without end."

#### Fr Kose

Is on the move again, to Temora this time to administer the Parish till June when the Parish Priest will return from India.

#### For those who wish to contribute to Parish Finances;

BSB: 062 786

Account No: 00029453

Account Name: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Reference: [ your name ]

### Pope Francis on the Virtues

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In recent weeks we have reflected on the cardinal virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. They are the four cardinal virtues. As we have emphasized several times, these four virtues belong to a very ancient wisdom that predates even Christianity. Even before Christ, honesty was preached as a civic duty, wisdom as the rule for actions, courage as the fundamental ingredient for a life that tends towards the good, and moderation as the necessary measure not to be overwhelmed by excesses. This patrimony that is so ancient, the patrimony of humanity has not been replaced by Christianity, but focused on, enhanced, purified, and integrated in the faith.

There is therefore in the heart of every man and woman the capacity to seek the good. The Holy Spirit is given so that those who receive it can clearly distinguish good from evil, have the strength to adhere to good by shunning evil, and, in so doing, achieve full self-realization.

But in the journey that we are all making towards the fullness of life, which belongs to the destiny of every person – the destiny of each person is fullness, to be full of life – the Christian enjoys special assistance from the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus. It is implemented through the gift of three other, distinctly Christian virtues, which are often mentioned together in the New Testament writings. These fundamental attributes, which characterize the life of the Christian, are three virtues that we often speak of together: faith, hope and charity.

Christian writers soon called them "theological" virtues, insofar as they are received and lived out in relationship with God, to differentiate them from the other four, called "cardinal" insofar as they constitute the "hinge" [It., "cardine"] of a good life. These three are received in Baptism and come from the Holy Spirit. The one and the other, both the theological and the cardinal, put together in so many systematic reflections, have thus composed a wonderful septenary, which is often contrasted with the list of the seven deadly sins.

#### Good Shepherd Appeal

Please use an envelope from the seats for your contribution to this Appeal which supports our three seminarians as they study for the priesthood. Even the smallest contribution will assist. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Healing Rally with Damian Stayne, 1 May, St Peter Chancels Church, Weston Street, Yarralumla, 7pm - 9:30pm

Everyone is welcome! Praise, worship, healing prayer and joy in the Holy Spirit! Damian is a Catholic lay evangelist from the UK. He ministers powerfully in the charisms of preaching and healing. To register call/text Susanna 0419 902 293 or Neda 0415 266 019.

#### Marriage Course Inner North Canberra, 2 May

Nicky Gumbel says "There's no marriage that can't be improved." The Marriage Course offers practical support and ideas to strengthen your relationship, in a fun, impactful way, all from the comfort of your own home via zoom. Starts Thursday 2ndMay 7:00 – 9:00 for 9 weeks, including a closing dinner.

Register for the course at <https://bit.ly/Marriage2024>

More information at <https://catholic.org.au/marriagefamily/married/>

### Canberra's Gaza Ceasefire Pilgrimage, May 4

This will be a prayerful show of solidarity with cities around the world on Saturday, 4 May. Some will walk the length of the Gaza Strip (41 kms), commencing atop Mt Ainslie at 4am, with a 10am liturgy at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton and a 1.30pm gathering at Regatta Point before the last 6kms. All welcome.

Further info: 0413 840 555 / [adair.obrien@outlook.com](mailto:adair.obrien@outlook.com)

### Parish Sacramental Program 2024

**2024 Sacramental Program** - for students who are baptised and will be in years 4-6 in 2024.

#### School of Religion (SOR)

Preparation classes for the Sacraments are held on Tuesdays from 6-7pm in the meeting room in St Monica's Church, Evatt. For information regarding the 2024 Sacramental Program, please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator.

Preparation classes for SOR for the Sacrament of First Communion begin on Tuesday 7 May and will run for 6 weeks.

**Sacrament of First Communion** - for School of Religion, St Michael's School students and St Monica's School students will be celebrated across the four Sunday Parish Masses on the weekend of 15 and 16 June 2024.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** - will be celebrated during term 3 on 17, 18, & 19 September.

**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)

### ROSTERS 4-5 May 2024

St Monica's	5.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Mark Gore	Frank Brassil
Altar Servers	Jacob Gallana	Marissa Hartog
Readers	Franklin Soriano	Angela Cornell
	Paul Sykes	Neill Cox
Music	Karen	Wingettes
Warden	Gavan Smith	Kelly Grzywacz
Church Cleaning	Katrina, Mick, Felicity	
Altar Society	Maree Mitchell & Maryanne Gore	
Counters	Robert J, Robert B, Kelly	
St Michael's	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Sue Collins	Cynthia Parayiwa
Acolyte	Josh Lobo	Chris Murphy
Readers	Julianne Garcia	Maria Jayan
	Anne Staines	Joel Kurian
	Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield
Eucharistic Minister		
Church Cleaning	Sue, Diane, Gil, Tracy	
Sanctuary Linen	Su Nguyen	
Banking	Peter Corkran & Ted Smith	

### Next Week's Readings

Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year B

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17