



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
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 4.30 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

New protocols are in effect
Contact Fr. Loi Viovicente on 6258 3212.

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C

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: Seamus Ferguson, Sr M. Christina Keogh RSJ, Ben Gafa, Margaret Josephine Murphy, Peter Naughton, Wilfredo Riosa

Death Anniversaries: Michael Stinziani, Beth Hanrahan, Gerry Grzywacz, Greg Worthington, Reg Smith, Govind Sharma

Sick: Jo & Des Kearns, Katherine Allen, Kerry Glover, Norma Pridgen, Xavier D'Ambrosio, Jun Reyes, Lyn Ardaiz, Shanna Aban, Joseph Flor, Bill & Monica Jones, Mary Gogusz, Oliver Short, Luke Inkin, Marie Fury, Oank Le, Huong thi Nguyen, Gainor White, Marg Nicholls, Julia Soriano, Peter Herbert, Mariam Bunazzi, Richard O'Brien

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C

YOUR LIBERATION IS NEAR!

The early Christians expected the Lord's return in glory to be very soon. St Paul explained to them that the Lord was delaying in coming for a good purpose, to give them the opportunity to grow in love and make progress in the kind of life they were meant to live. May we also make good use of the present time to deepen our love for one another that we may be ready on the day Christ comes to set us free.

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome Lucy Davison and Nicholas Pecotic into our faith community through the waters of Baptism. May God's love and blessings be upon them on their Baptism day and always.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve, Friday, 24 December

- St Monica's: 6.00pm
- St Michael's: 8.00pm

Christmas Day, Saturday, 25 December

- St Michael's: 8.00am
- St Monica's: 10.00am (No 6.00pm Mass)

Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, 26 December

- St Michael's: 8.00am (No 5.30pm Mass)
- St Monica's: 10.00am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Monica's church on Friday, 24th Dec, 10am-12noon.

Youth Mass & Belong Circle, St Michael's, 28 November

Join us for our Youth Mass at St Michael's church, to be followed by our Belong Circle at the parish office next door. Covid safe snacks will be provided. This will be our last Belong Circle gathering for the year. Enquiries to Youth Minister Monica Culas on 0435 876 303.

Parish Ladies Christmas Dinner, 16 December

A private room at Yowani Country Club has been booked for our parish ladies Christmas dinner, Thursday, 6.30pm. Cost is \$42 each; pay on the night. To book your seat, please contact Tina Fisk on 0432 540 210, email: tinafisk@gmail.com or add your name to the list in the church foyer.

Aid to the Church in Need Christmas Raffle

Pick a lucky draw for Christmas and also help the poor. First prize is a Japanese geisha doll, second prize a luxury scented candle and bath toiletries. Sale of raffle tickets at \$1 each after weekend Masses. The draw will take place on Saturday, 11 December. All proceeds go to the Church in Need.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2021

Congratulations to the 73 young people who were confirmed during the week at St Monica's and St Michael's churches. May the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit remain with them at this time and throughout their future lives. Please keep these young ones in your prayers. Any queries regarding the sacramental program for 2022 can be made to: sc.belconnennorth@cg.org.au.



Blessing of the Advent Wreath

All: Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: He is Emmanuel, the hope of all peoples; He is the wisdom that teaches and guides us; He is the Saviour of every nation; He is the Light of the world.

As the Bishops of the world prepare for the 2023 Synod in Rome, and as our Archdiocese contributes its input, we 'walk together' this Advent season into closer communion, with a more Christ-centred mission while opening genuinely inclusive participation possibilities for our Church. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

St Monica's Vinnies Appeal-Solomon Islands, Weekend of 27/28 November

We teamed up in May last year with a Vinnies group in a remote part of the Solomon Islands – in Malaita province. St Monica's parishioners generously donated \$3300 in September 2020 to assist this group in their work. We disbursed all the funds which were spent on two key projects: (1) education scholarships for 35 children to attend local primary and secondary schools and; (2) the establishment of a small Vinnies shop in the village which sells at affordable prices basic food items like flour and sugar and household items like torches and batteries. The store was built with voluntary labour and donated materials. We have received extensive reports and photos on the successful implementation of the projects. The Vinnies group visits the sick and elderly and provides food, often from their own vegetable gardens, for the vulnerable. We would be grateful for your generous support for our appeal at the Masses this weekend so we can continue to help the vulnerable members of the Takwa village community.

Thank You Shirley Boag

After being involved with teaching and coordinating the parish School of Religion, over four decades, Shirley will retire at the end of this year. We pass our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to you, Shirley, for your commitment and devotion to the teaching of the Catholic faith to young children over so many years. You will be missed! May God shower you with many blessings and keep you in His care during your retirement years.

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 \$5.00 each.

Archdiocesan Advent Discussion Group via Zoom

Join a discussion group at 4pm on Sunday 28th November or 10am on Tuesday 30th November.

Log on as an individual or as a group using: Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96186839540>

Meeting ID: 961 8683 9540

Or use the resource at a time that suits you. More info

www.cgatholic.org.au/ADVENT

Enquiries lara.kirk@cg.org.au 0429 192 869.

ROSTERS—St Monica's

4-5 December 2021	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Gavan Smith	Frank Brassil
Altar Servers	Aria Wallace	Volunteer
Readers	Paul Sykes Vince O'Donnell	Mylene Naboya Neill Cox
Music	McKerrows	Wingettes
Warden	Dolores Schneider	Robert Jepsen
Church Cleaning 4 December	Anne & Gavan Smith, Jenny Jeffery, Dolores Schneider	
Altar Society	Marg Smith, Donna White	
Counters 5 December	John Jeffery, Maureen Delaney, Daniel Moses	

ROSTERS—St Michael's

5 Dec 2021	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Sue Collins	Cynthia Parayiwa
Acolyte	Tony McArthur	Ted Smith
Readers	Anne Staines Annette Jose	Joel Kurian Maria Jayan
Eucharistic Minister	Vince Evans	Margaret Dudfield
Projectionist	Anita Lobo	Choir
Church Cleaning 4 December	Gen & Tim Power, Sam Fakhoury, Margaret Baker, Ausilia Woodhead	
Sanctuary Linen	Elaine Farrelly	
Banking	Gerry Maynes, Linda Townrow	

Next Week's Readings

2nd Sunday of Advent, Year C

Baruch 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Archdiocesan Protocols as of 12 November 2021

The protocols have been posted on the church doors and on the parish website. The 2sqm per person rule applies for inside the church. Masks are not mandatory but recommended.