



St Monica's Church Deffell St Evatt



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH NORTH BELCONNEN

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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: 6.00 pm Sunday: 10.00am

St Michael's Church, Kaleen

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

Reconciliation-Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 5.00 - 5.45 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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR B

'I AM THE LORD, YOUR GOD.'

The Ten Commandments are as valid today as when they were first given by God to Moses on Mt Sinai. They teach us how to live in right relationship with God and with one another. If we seek to live by the Commandments we will avoid the trap of materialism, of being more concerned with buying, selling, and making money, than with living God and our neighbour.

Baptism

This weekend we welcome Elise McMaster into our faith community through the waters of Baptism. May God's love and blessings be upon her on her Baptism day and always.

Join us for a Welcome Cuppa for Fr Kose, 16 & 17 March

Parishioners and friends are warmly invited to stay back after all the weekend Masses (Saturday vigil, Sunday morning & night) to enjoy a friendly cuppa with finger food. Tea, coffee and some finger food will be provided. Cordial for kids will be available. Parishioners can bring a small plate of food. (eg: sandwiches & slice) to share.

Stations of The Cross

Two priests in the parish now allow for Stations to be held in both churches on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00pm.

Saturday Morning Mass 9:30am, St Michael's

There will be Saturday Morning Mass at St Michael's Church, Kaleen. Two priests in the Parish allows for this.

Lenten Prayer/Reflection Group

Luciana Ciaccia is hosting and leading a Prayer/Reflection Group for Lent. All materials supplied. Please phone Luciana for details; 0404 242 602.

Parish Twilight Retreat (especially for workers)

Wednesday 6th March, 6:00pm-9:00pm, St Michael's Church, Kaleen

Come along and spend some time praying, reflecting and contemplating Jesus during these days of Lent. Food will be provided.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

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]

Prayer at end of each Mass – Hail Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary, pray for us O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of God. Amen.

From Pope Francis' Lenten Message

To the extent that this Lent becomes a time of conversion, an anxious humanity will notice a burst of creativity, a flash of new hope. Allow me to repeat what I told the young people whom I met in Lisbon last summer: "Keep seeking and be ready to take risks. At this moment in time, we face enormous risks; we hear the painful plea of so many people. Indeed, we are experiencing a third world war fought piecemeal. Yet let us find the courage to see our world, not as being in its death throes but in a process of giving birth, not at the end but at the beginning of a great new chapter of history. We need courage to think like this" (Address to University Students, 3 August 2023). Such is the courage of conversion, born of coming up from slavery. For faith and charity take hope, this small child, by the hand. They teach her to walk, and at the same time, she leads them forward.

For full message, some copies available in the church foyer or you can go online

Type in Message of the Holy Father Francis for Lent 2024.

Cursillo

A Spanish word meaning "short course". A Cursillo is an opportunity to renew your faith and to deepen your relationship with Jesus. The Cursillo is a three day live-in experience being led by a team of lay Catholics with a Spiritual Director (Priest). **Friday 12th April to Sunday 14th April at St Clement's Retreat Centre, Galong.** Assistance with the cost is available. More info to follow.

Holiday Program for Primary Children, Kippax

'Holiday Happenings' will take place at Kippax Community Centre, Hardwick Cres, Holt, on Thursday, 18 April, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be craft, games, stories and activities each day. Cost is \$5 per child. Bookings are essential. Contact 6254 1733 for more information and to register.

Archbishop's Lenten Lighthouses



Join Archbishop Christopher Prowse on a Lenten Retreat through his Sunday Homilies. "What have I done for Christ?", "What am I doing for Christ?", "What ought I do for Christ?" You can find the first and second lighthouse inputs on the Catholic Voice website or via the qr Code.



Caritas AUSTRALIA
PROJECT COMPASSION

Third Sunday of Lent 2 & 3 March

[Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.](#)

Please donate to Project Compassion 2024

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation- preparation classes have commenced and will run for 6 weeks and the Sacrament will be celebrated on 9 April in St Monica's Church.

Sacraments to be celebrated in 2024

Sacrament of Reconciliation - will be celebrated during term. **Registrations are now closed** and **No late registrations** can be accepted.

Commitment Masses- Sacrament of Reconciliation

Students and parents **must** attend one of the weekend Masses at either St Monica's Church (6pm Saturday or 10am Sunday) or St Michael's Church (8am or 5.30pm Sunday) on one of the dates listed below to make their commitment for the Sacrament.

Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 March

Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 March

There will be **no additional** commitment masses beyond this date.

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

ROSTERS 9-10 March 2024

St Monica's	6.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Gavan Smith	Ciaran Gerrard
Altar Servers	Adel Sibayan	Anton & Marissa
Readers	Clair Devoy	Jo Hardiman
	Katie Brasnett	Mylene Naboya
Music	FREE	Eclectics
Warden	Katie Brasnett	Anna & Robert
Church Cleaning	Paul & Maree, Noel & Christian	
Altar Society	Kay Grzadka & Linda Pike	
Counters	Robert J, Robert B, Kelly	
St Michael's	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass	Sue Collins	Ivan Cretni
Coordinator		
Acolyte	Neil Seabrook	Chris Murphy
Readers	Sr Kate	Rachel Blackwell
	Linda Townrow	Kevin Aoun
Eucharistic Minister	Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield
Church Cleaning	Canberra El Shaddai Prayer Group	
Sanctuary Linen	Su Nguyen	
Banking	Gil Watters & Diane Watters	

Next Week's Readings

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year B

2 Chron 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21