



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

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## MASS TIMES

### St Monica's Church, Evatt

Wednesday: 9.30 am  
Friday: 7.00 am  
Saturday Vigil: 5.00 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: 4.00—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 10:00 am, 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.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

### 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:** for Jia Vienne's first birthday & Havey Zinkel's fifth birthday

**Recently Deceased:** Margot Prout (Mother of Simon)-Funeral Mass 10:30am, 12 May, St Monica's. Lesina Lufe (Grand Mother of Angus Kuluka), Marie Fury (Aunt of Maree Corkran), Ruth Geetha Rani (Mother of Monica Culas), Eleanor Glosz, Jim Mitchell

**Anniversaries & Remembrances:** Jacquie Burggraaf, Mollie Reiher, Dink Sargent, Maria Pham, Dominic Pham, Maria & John Nguyen

**Sick:** Vimala Mahalingam, Bong, Rose Rajer, Clare Menezes, Pope Francis, Tricia Mitchell, Tony Marker, Lucio Crisanto, Sarah Driscoll, Caitlin, Margot Prout, 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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

*'I AM THE WAY.'*

*In every age there are people who claim to know the way to a full and happy life. Often their ideas flourish for a while and then fade. But there is one way to the fullness of life that has stood the test of time - and that way is Jesus. If we follow Jesus, the Way, we will come to the fullness of life and truth, and communicate this life to others.*

### Baptisms

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

### First Holy Communion

This weekend we welcome the children from our Parish who begin their preparations for their First Holy Communion on the Feast of Corpus Christi in June. Let us pray for them.

### Thank you from Sr Kate

Heartfelt and prayerful thanks to all who contributed towards the celebration of my Birthday/Feast day last weekend. You made my day a very special one, and an unforgettable one! God's blessings and love to you all from Sr Kate.

### Stations of the Resurrection

This week, Stations 7 & 8 at St Michael's Church on Friday at 6:30pm. Thirty minutes of contemplative prayer with music.

### May - the month of remembering Mary, the first disciple of Jesus

We will pray a decade of the Rosary before each weekend Mass - 5:00pm Sunday at St Michael's Church the full Rosary.

### Cough and Cold Season

Please consider wearing a mask in church if you have symptoms. It will help others to stay healthy.

### Thank you!

A huge thanks to all the Parishioners those who participated in our working bee at St Michael's last weekend.

### Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal - Collection for Formation of our Seminarians

We especially give thanks for the vocations that have sprung from our own communities-those young men whose families and lives are planted in our local parishes and who, God willing, will return as ordained priests to serve here. Please give a generous **donation** today or begin a **monthly donation** to support the education of our seminarians. Special envelopes are provided in the church or donations can be made on-line at [bit.ly/goodshepherd2023](http://bit.ly/goodshepherd2023)

### Food Friendship Faith—for those between 18 & 35 years

Sunday evening, after the 5:30pm Mass at St Michael's Church, Kaleen. We will meet in the parish meeting room next door to the Church. We start with food, we enjoy one another's friendship and we participate in a faith activity.

## Pope Francis speaks about his visit to Hungary

Dear brothers and sisters: In my recent Apostolic Journey to Hungary, I encountered a courageous people, conscious of its deep Christian roots and open to a future of hope. The nation's long history of sanctity was crowned in the twentieth century by the witness of many believers during the Nazi and Communist persecutions. Budapest, a city of bridges, symbolizes the challenge facing Hungary, and indeed all of Europe, to continue to build bridges of solidarity and peace between peoples. There I witnessed at first hand the "humanitarian bridge" created to welcome the numerous refugees from Ukraine, as well as the efforts of the Hungarian people to build a "bridge to the future" through care for the natural and human environment and efforts to ensure a sustainable future. At the impressive Mass that concluded my visit, I witnessed the vitality of the Church in Hungary and its commitment to strengthening the bridges of fraternity that unite Christians of different rites and confessions. As we begin this month of May, dedicated to Our Lady, I ask her, the Queen of Hungary, to intercede for the beloved Hungarian people and for all of us, so that, rooted in faith, we may build bridges of unity and concord in our communities and in our world.

## World Synod – October 2023

Pope Francis has announced that this Synod will, for the first time include men and women lay faithful with voting rights. Pope Francis has also decided that heads and secretaries of the various Offices in the Vatican will not have an automatic attendance at the Synod. Pope Francis is hoping for a number of young people to be nominated to attend.

## Mother's Day, next Sunday 14 May

Let us pray for all who are a mother to us.

## Silver Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Simone & Mark Nahon on their silver jubilee of wedding anniversary. May God bless you forever!

## Caritas Australia - Project Compassion

This is just a reminder to all our Parishioners. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home please return them by 21 May. Thank you.

## St Michael's & St Monica's Primary Schools Open Days

**St Michael's**  
10 May, 9:00am-11:00am  
11 May, 9:00am-11:00am & 4:00pm-6:00pm  
**St Monica's**  
16 May 9:00am-11:00am & 4:00pm-6:00pm  
Information Session: 6:15pm  
18 May 9:00am-11:00am & 4:00pm-6:00pm

## Alpha, St Gregory's Parish, Queanbeyan

Alpha is a friendly, informal environment for people of all ages and beliefs to explore the meaning of life, faith and God. The program is simple. No cost. Commencing on 17 May at 6:30pm. For more information: Selina Stanford on 0438 664 110

## Parish Sacramental Program 2023

**Sacrament of First Eucharist** - will be celebrated across the four Sunday Parish Masses:

5pm - 17 June at St Monica's Church, Evatt;  
8am - 18 June at St Michael's Church, Kaleen;  
10am - 18 June at St Monica's Church, Evatt;  
5.30pm - 18 June at St Michael's Church, Kaleen.  
Registrations are now closed and **no** late registrations can be accepted.

**Commitment Masses – Sacrament of First Eucharist**  
Students and parents **must** attend one of the weekend Masses at either St Monica's Church (5pm Saturday or 10am Sunday) or St Michael's Church (8am or 5.30pm Sunday).  
This weekend - Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 May is your **last opportunity** to make your commitment for the Sacrament. There will be **no additional** commitment masses beyond these dates.

**School of Religion - Sacrament of First Eucharist** - Preparation classes for the Sacrament of First Eucharist commence **this week**. Classes 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.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated on 5, 6, 7 September 2023.

**Sacrament of 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](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 (13-14 May 2023)

St Monica's	5.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	John Jeffrey	Neill Cox
Alter Servers	Clare Devoy	Anton & Marissa
Readers	Paul Sykes	Magna Tsui
	Jojo Sibayan	Gabrielle Sullivan
Music	Karen & family	Eclectics
Warden	Gavan Smith	Michael Holohan
Church Cleaning	Jo McMillan, John, David & Lilian Prdjan	
Alter Society	Kay Grzadka & Linda Pike	
Counters	Robert Jepsen, Robert Brunato & Kelly	
St Michael's	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass	Tina Fisk	Cynthia Parayiwa
Coordinator		
Acolyte	Bobby Goodwin	Tanya Butler
Readers	Sr Kate	Rachel Blackwell
	Anne Staines	Luciana Ciaccia
	Marie Seabrook	Margaret Dudfield
Eucharistic Minister		
Projectionist	Arleen Stark	Choir
Church Cleaning	Canberra El Shaddai Prayer Group	
Sanctuary Linen	Arleen Stark	
Banking	Gil Watters & Diane Watters	

## Next Week's Readings

### Sixth Sunday of Easter, Yr A

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pet 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21