

# ST. KEVIN'S PARISH

## HAMPTON PARK

### EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### YEAR C



2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019

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OFFICE HOURS  
Monday to Friday (9.30am – 4:00pm)

PARISH PRIEST : Rev. Fr. Desmond Moloney  
ASSISTANT PRIEST : Rev. Fr. Dong Tran  
DEACON : Rev. Dr. Graeme Pender  
PARISH SECRETARIES : Mrs. Michelle Rimmelzwaan  
Mrs. Indrani Guinan  
SCHOOL PRINCIPALS  
ST. KEVIN'S : Anni Miers – 9709 8600  
ST. FRANCIS DE SALES : Christine White – 8773 6700

#### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Masses:  
St. Francis de Sales: 5:30pm  
St. Kevin's Church: 7.00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am & 7:00pm

Healing Mass is on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month at 7.00pm

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday : 9:15am  
Tuesday : 9:15am  
Wednesday : 7:00pm (followed by Novena to  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help)  
Thursday : 9.15am  
Friday : 9.15am  
First Fridays : An extra Mass at 7:30pm followed by  
devotions to the Sacred Heart.

#### RECONCILIATION

On Saturday mornings after Mass till 10:30am

#### BAPTISMS

Celebrated on the first and last Sunday of the month.  
Prior to the Baptism, parents are asked to attend a  
meeting which is held every first Thursday of the  
month at 7:15 pm in the Church and must bring a copy  
of their own baptism certificate.

#### WEDDINGS

Please give at least 6 months notification prior to a  
wedding at our Church. If an annulment is involved,  
we will require at least a year's notice for the  
annulment process to take place.

#### LENTEN MESSAGE 2019

The redemption of creation takes centre stage in Pope Francis' Lenten message this year, which connects man's sinfulness to environmental issues.

"Sin leads man to consider himself the god of creation, to see himself as its absolute master and to use it, not for the purpose willed by the Creator but for his own interests, to the detriment of other creatures."

Ultimately, Francis points to the traditional Lenten practices of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving as the remedy to the rupture between God, man, and creation caused by sin.

In fasting, we learn "to change our attitude towards others and all of creation, turning away from the temptation to 'devour' everything to satisfy our voracity and being ready to suffer for love, which can fill the emptiness of our hearts," he explained. Prayer leads us to "abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego," he added.

Through almsgiving, "we escape from the insanity of hoarding everything for ourselves in the illusory belief that we can secure a future that does not belong to us," Francis said.

On this the last Sunday prior to Lent we gather around the table of the Lord. We pray that God will continue to journey with us as we search to understand, accept and acknowledge the challenges of our times. We hold in our thoughts and prayers all those who have suffered abuse within the church.

#### IN LENT

On Ash Wednesday, parishioners will note the 9.15am Mass will be attended by students from St. Kevin's School, then there will be Mass at 11.00am and the usual Wednesday Mass at 7.00pm. Last year's palm branches may be brought to the Sacristy before Ash Wednesday for burning.

Throughout the Lenten season, on all Fridays, there will be Stations of the Cross following the 9.15am Mass (parishioner-led), and also at 7.00pm, followed by Mass.

Once again, Project Compassion boxes are available. This year's theme is Give Lent 100%: Lives change when we all give 100%.

#### LENTEN PROGRAMME GROUPS

There has been a welcoming response to the opportunity to be part of a group using a prepared Lenten Programme, meeting weekly during Lent. We have seven groups in total. Please see the yellow sheet for details. If it is not available expect a contact from your group leader.



**ROSTERS FOR NEXT  
WEEKEND  
9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March  
2019**

**EXTRA ORDINARY  
MINISTERS**

**5.30pm Saturday – Team 1**

Candice V, Carlton V,  
Diahann D, Indira P, Tessy N

**7.00pm Saturday – Team 2**

Christobelle G Gerard B,  
Michelle V, Helen S, Gilda B

**9.00am Sunday – Team 2**

Florence D, Jessica R, Mere V,  
Taupau P, Selina L

**11.00am Sunday – Team 2**

Anita F, Lorna B, Martin T,  
Pam G, Mary D, Noela L,  
Annabelle V

**7.00pm Sunday – Team 1**

George I, Mirtza I, Sumith O,  
Diana M, Kharece D,  
Danielle D

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

**Team 6** - Mirtza & George  
Iraheta, Philip & Marilyn Dingle

**COUNTERS**

**Team 3** – Roland D’Netto,  
Sunita & Kevin D’Mello, Gordon  
Joseph, Savio Fernandes

**READERS**

**5.30pm Saturday – Team 2**

Annabelle V, Indira P, Tessy N

**7.00pm Saturday – Team 2**

Jade D, Benita P, Sunita D

**9.00am Sunday – Team 2**

Patricia C, Abey A, Maria P

**11.00am Sunday – Team 2**

Kimberley V, Mary D, Philomena  
P

**7.00pm Sunday – Team 2**

Diana M, Patrick M, Danielle D

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

**9.00 am** Maria Palma,  
Suzanne Diya

**11.00 am** Evanka Fernando,  
Gayathri Hettiarachchi



**LAST WEEKEND  
COLLECTIONS**

Envelopes : \$3329.05  
Unpledged : \$1856.50  
Presbytery : \$2694.25

**IN OUR PARISH**

<b>4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Monday	9.15am Mass
<b>5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Tuesday	9.15am Mass
<b>6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Wednesday	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> 9.15am Mass (with St. Kevin’s school) 11.00am Mass 2.00pm Mass (in Lynbrook with St Francis de Sales School) <b>4.00pm First class for the Catechism Programme</b> 7.00pm Mass followed by Novena
<b>7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Thursday	9.15am Mass
<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Friday	9.15am Mass 7.30pm - Mass followed by devotions to the Sacred Heart
<b>9<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Saturday	9.15am Mass 5.30pm Mass at Lynbrook 7.00pm Mass at St. Kevin’s
<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Sunday	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass 7.00pm Mass

**Dear Parishioners,**

It is almost a year since I gave an opportunity for you via the parish bulletin to indicate ways of personally assisting and supporting the life of St. Kevin’s Parish. The responses received have proven to be very beneficial. I wish to offer another similar opportunity (see below). Please complete if you can.

The ministry that interests me is: \_\_\_\_\_

I believe I could offer some assistance in one or more of the following:  
forward planning, finance, accounting, book-keeping. Please nominate:  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have experience in facilitating meetings of small groups.

YES / NO

I appreciate opportunities to brain-storm, develop strategies and discuss future  
goals. YES / NO

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please place in the box (Foyer) or return to the Parish Office.  
[11 replies so far]

*Fr. Desmond J. Moloney*

## THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

*In Thanksgiving:*

Christian & Anick Antonio  
Rob & Malou Bartlett  
Allan Bordon  
Blake Bordon

*For the sick:*

Janet Lee (2)

*For those who have died recently:*

Pierre Fabrice Dalais  
Yannic Ah-Kiam

*For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:*

Oswald Francis  
Herman & Sylvia D'Souza  
Stella Collins  
Maurice Duval  
Theresa Lebon  
Rowena & Leilani  
Emilia P. Trajano  
Jackie Angliy  
Marjorie & James Williams  
Bob Gardner

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Privacy legislation requires the *written permission of an authorized person* before any name can be printed. Any list of the sick in the parish bulletin will undergo renewal according to a four week cycle. After four weeks a person's name on the sick list will be removed. However, once again, on the basis of written permission of an authorized person the name can be re-added to the list.

## PLENARY COUNCIL GATHERING

On Tuesday evening, nearly 50 parishioners gathered to discuss the question posed by the Plenary Council to all Australian Catholics: What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time? The conversation was lively and engaging, and enabled all present to play an active part in our parish submission. Several common themes across the groups, including building our community connections, encouraging and supporting our young people in the practice of their faith, providing Scripture study, and supporting family life. A submission to the Plenary Council will be made on behalf of our parish community.

On behalf of Fr. Desmond, Fr. Dong and the PPC, I offer thanks to all those who attended. A special thanks to the group leaders, to Warren and Annabelle (Social Group) who provided refreshments, and Sanele who assisted with the set up and pack up. It was unanimously agreed that we, as a Parish, should review the submission with the intention of implementing relevant suggestions in our Parish. Therefore, the items collected on the night will be discussed further by the PPC. Watch this space!

*Denise Lyons  
Chairperson,  
Parish Pastoral Council*

## ST KEVIN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

We are celebrating our Annual Barbeque with an excursion on Thursday 21st March 2019 at Arthur's Seat. As usual, we will be travelling by Luxury Bus which will leave St.Kevin's at 9 am. Price is \$20.00 for Members and \$22.00 for Non Members. The price covers the cost of the Bus only as the B.B.Q. is supplied by the Friendship Group. Please make your booking early, with payment to Benita 9702 7530 Caryl 9799 7242 or Lorna 0426 506 445 to avoid disappointment.

Just a gentle reminder to those who have not paid their subs for 2019. It would be appreciated if you do so before the 21st March. Thank you.

## SOCIAL GROUP – CALLING FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Social Group has been in existence in the parish for about 15 years or more. The role of the Social Group in the parish is 2 fold as we organise fund raisers for the parish and also organise the social events in the parish. Some of the fund raising events we organise are the Parish Dance, the Fete and the food stall at the Festival of Carols. On the other hand we do have a number of social events that we organise on a regular basis during the year like the lunch for the parish feast, the tea & coffee every 2nd Sunday, the kids' Christmas party and other social events in the parish.

We meet on the last Friday on the month in the parish house at 7.30 p.m. and would like to invite more members to join this group.

So if you have a flair and a passion to help and organise, and can contribute with your time and hard work we would like to welcome you to join the Social Group. For more information please contact the parish office and leave your details and we will get in touch with you.

## Let's reflect...

*"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit."*  
(Luke 6:43)

Are you using your God-given gifts in the way God intended? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.



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### FIRST READING – Sirach 27: 4-7

#### A reading from the Book of Sirach

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.  
The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
the test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is judged on  
the quality of its fruit,  
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

#### ■ The word of the Lord

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R:** Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. **R.**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R.**

Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing sap when they are old.  
still full sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
in him , my rock, there is no wrong. **R.**

### SECOND READING – Corinthians 15: 54-58

#### A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always,

knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be laboring in vain.

#### ■ The word of the Lord

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
You are offering it the word of life.

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL – Luke 6: 39-45

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus told a parable to his disciples. 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciples will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye. 'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit; people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

#### ■ The Gospel of the Lord

