

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - YEAR B

FIRST READING – Apocalypse 11: 19; 12: 1-6, 10

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened, and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, "Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ."

■ The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM –Ps. 44: 10-12, 16.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
Forget your own people and your father's house. **R.**

So will the king desire your beauty:
he is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

SECOND READING – Corinthians 15: 20-26.

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

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all die in Adam, so all will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

■ The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary is taken up to heaven,
and the angels of God shout for joy.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL – Luke 1: 39-56

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made to her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
And my spirit exults in God my saviour;
because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.
Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me
blessed,
for the Almighty has done great things for me.
Holy is his name,
and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who
fear him.
He has shown the power of his arm,
he has routed the proud of heart.
He has pulled down princes from their thrones and
exalted the lowly.
The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent
empty away.
He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of
his mercy
-according to the promise he made to our ancestors-
of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for
ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and
then went back home

■ The Gospel of the Lord



ST. KEVIN'S PARISH HAMPTON PARK

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (YEAR B)



14th & 15th August 2021

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

PARISH PRIEST :Rev. Fr. Desmond Moloney
ASSISTANT PRIEST : Rev. Fr. Anil Mascarenhas
DEACON : Rev. Dr. Graeme Pender
PARISH SECRETARY : Mrs. Indrani Guinan
PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE CO-ORDINATOR:
Ms. Alexandra Safrin

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About Today's Solemnity

The Virgin Mary's bodily assumption into heaven is an ancient Church belief. The solemnity not only celebrates Mary's assumption, but, as she is the primary symbol of the Church, Mary's assumption points to the fullness of salvation that will be given to the entire Church with the Lord's Second Coming.

Lockdown 6 goes on ...

In the coming week, since the Lockdown continues Mass will be live-streamed on Tuesday (17th) at 7.00pm, and Wednesday (18th) at 7.00pm followed by the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

If the Lockdown is further extended Mass will be live-streamed on Friday (20th) at 7.00pm.

However, if the Lockdown ends by Thursday the Mass will be celebrated on Friday (20th) at 7.00pm – not live-streamed – and open to the number permitted to be in the church.

Parish Website

<https://stkevins.org.au/>

‘Support us’ page

<https://stkevins.org.au/support-us/>

(USUAL) SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Masses: 5.00 pm & 7.00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

(USUAL) WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday & Tuesday: 9:15am

Wednesday: 7:00pm (followed by Novena to OLPH)

Thursday, Friday & Saturday: 9.15am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION

On Saturday mornings after the 9.15 Mass until 10:30 am.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office on 9799 2108 or email HamptonPark@cam.org.au

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.



Welcome to the new Auxiliary Bishop for the Southern Region

Bishop Tony Ireland – our new regional bishop!

Bishop Tony Ireland, prior to his recent episcopal ordination, was the Parish Priest of St. Gregory the Great, Doncaster, and also the Episcopal Vicar for the Eastern region. The hope is that he will be with us to minister the Sacrament of Confirmation in October this year.

Fr. Desmond J. Moloney

**ROSTERS FOR NEXT
WEEKEND
21st & 22nd August
2021**

READERS:

Saturday

5.00pm –

7.00pm –

Sunday

9.00am –

11.00am –

6.00pm –

**EXTRA ORDINARY
MINISTERS:**

Saturday

5.00pm –

7.00pm –

Sunday

9.00am –

11.00am –

6.00pm –

CHURCH CLEANERS

Team 2 – Russel de La Motte, Samangi Chandrasekera, Jerome Pereira, Joelle Felix

COUNTERS

Team 2 – Sumith & Samantha Olagama, Kaye Braganza, Marius Giosserano



IN OUR PARISH

16th August	Monday	
17th August	Tuesday	Livestreamed at 7 pm
18th August	Wednesday	Livestreamed at 7.00pm, Mass followed by the Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
19th August	Thursday	
20th August	Friday	Livestreamed at 7 pm if lockdown is extended – if not, Mass will be celebrated – open to the number permitted
21st August	Saturday	Livestreamed at 5 pm if lockdown is extended - for Parish Sunday Mass
22nd August	Sunday	



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR DEAR FR. DESMOND
on his 42nd Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on Wednesday 18th August 2021.

May God's goodness and kindness be with you on this special day and all the days of your life.
God bless you and keep you safe in the palm of His hand.
Let us continue to keep Fr. Desmond in our prayers.

News from the Parish Pastoral Council

Like many others, the PPC has found it difficult to hold their monthly meetings during the last 18 months as the Covid Pandemic continues to have such an enormous impact. We have met in person when we can but often our meetings have been cancelled due to lockdown and Covid-related restrictions which is a similar experience to that of many parish groups. Subsequently there has been less activity resulting in little need to share updates with our parish community.

The PPC met on Wednesday 4th August via video to discuss, amongst other matters, forthcoming PPC elections which are held at about this time each year (although they were not held in 2020). Two Cluster Representatives have completed their appointment with the PPC and will stand down, effective at the end of August. On behalf of the PPC members, I offer my gratitude to Tyrone Paul (Hospitality Cluster Rep) and Howard Fernandez (Worship Cluster Rep) who have diligently and faithfully represented their clusters and served the PPC wholeheartedly, providing their expertise and years of experience and wisdom. Tyrone has also been the Vice-Chairperson, stepping in to the Chairperson's seat when needed. The PPC is very grateful for the commitment of Tyrone and Howard, not only to the PPC but to the parish as a whole and they are both committed to continuing to serve our community.

With Tyrone's departure, Warren Peters (Service Cluster Rep) has asked to move to representing the Hospitality Cluster. This is fitting as Warren is already an active member of the Social Group and, as members agreed, moving across clusters enables members to build connections with others in our community. There is also a vacancy for a Youth representative. This position will be filled from within the youth community, led by Fr Anil and our current Youth Rep, Kharece D'Souza. In coming weeks, parishioners will be invited to nominate for the two vacant positions – Service Cluster and Worship Cluster. The election process might need to be altered somewhat, perhaps to an online model, depending on Covid restrictions in coming weeks. Please consider if you, or someone you know in the parish, would like to represent and serve your parish in this unique role of Parish Pastoral Councillor.

Denise Lyons

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving:

Brian, Maryann & Emilee
D'Souza

For the sick:

Catherine Ishikawa (4)
Jackie Todd (3)

For those who have died recently:

Lorna Pimentel
Angela Coutinho
Eileen Peterson

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Maria Bastian
Doreen La Frenais
Allen King
Barbara & Clement
Passagne
Shannie Ann Pineda
Rosenda Nene Rivans
Sedge Santiago
Philomena Paris
Clifford de Rozario

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.

REMINDER:

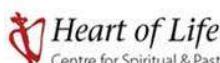
Please note the cutoff time and day for handing in names for Mass Intentions is Thursday 4 pm. If you are unable to come before that you can still call up or email the Parish Office.



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Last weekend was the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. CatholicCare Victoria delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. Thank you to the parishioners who donated.

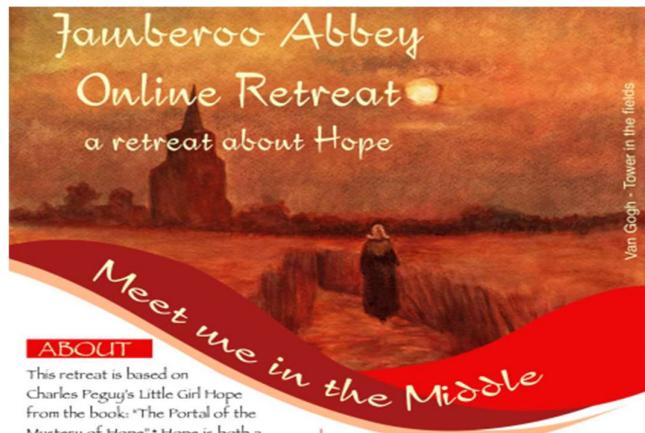
You can still donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.



Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation

Position Vacant - Part-time General Office Assistant, Mondays 9am-3pm, with potential for Tuesdays also, at Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, located at Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern. To assist with social media, Zoom support, administrative and general duties. Job description and applications (by 28 August 2021): contact the Secretary, email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel 9890 1101.

'Ephphatha? Be Thou Open?', Saturday 28 August 2021, 10am-4pm (AEST) via ZOOM. This reflection event using a journal / creative materials offers you time and sacred space to be set apart and companioned to explore new ways of attuning and responding to your experiences. You are invited to participate in a self-paced personal journey of sensitively and privately opening your heart to your inner feelings. You will be supported in using various forms of expression to unfold layers of meaning. As a means of valuing and holding your insights, you will be encouraged to capture experiences and reflections in a creative journal of your making. Participants will use their own simple art or creative materials and journal. A suggestion list will be provided to help you choose a few play elements. Led by Margaret Trainor, qualified in spiritual direction and art therapy, for Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$60. Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.



Van Gogh - Tower in the fields

Meet Me in the Middle – An online retreat with Jamberoo Abbey

This retreat is based on Charles Peguy's Little Girl Hope from the book: "The Portal of the Mystery of Hope." Hope is both a virtue and a mystery. It is desirable yet elusive. Many dismiss it, misunderstand it, shrug it off and turn their backs on it, extolling faith and charity instead. Whilst faith and charity are absolutely critical in these times of uncertainty and fear in society, there is now a need for hope as never before since World War II.

The retreat begins on Sunday, September 5th. The cost of the retreat is \$250.

Pensioners can apply for a reduced price - see website for details.

Register online at jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats