

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

FIRST READING – Jeremiah 17: 5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

‘A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,
Who relies on things of flesh,
Whose heart turns from the Lord.

He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:

If good comes, he has no eyes for it,
He settles in the parched places of the wilderness,
A salt land, uninhabited.

‘A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,
With the Lord for his hope.

He is like a tree by the waterside

That thrusts its roots to the stream:

When the heat comes it feels no alarm,
Its foliage stays green;
it has no worries in a year of drought,
and never ceases to bear fruit.’

■ The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 1: 1-4.

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and night. **R.**

He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper. **R.**

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R.**

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20

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

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ

have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

■ The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;
your reward is great in heaven.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL – 6: 17, 20-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

‘How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

‘Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

‘But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. ‘Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.’

■ The Gospel of the Lord



ST. KEVIN'S PARISH HAMPTON PARK THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)



12th & 13th February 2022

PARISH CENTRE
120 Hallam Road,
Hampton Park, Vic. 3976
Tel: 9799 2108
Email: HamptonPark@cam.org.au

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
SCHOOL PRINCIPALS
ST. KEVIN'S: Jason Micallef – 9709 8600
ST. FRANCIS DE SALES :
Christine White – 8773 6700

Parish Website

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

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

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Masses: 5.00 pm & 7.00pm
Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday & Tuesday : 9:15am
Wednesday : 7:00pm (followed by Novena to
Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
Thursday & 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

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. Please call or
email the Parish Office.

Take the Way of the Gospel in LENT

Lent begins in the first week of March. A couple of
years ago St. Kevin's had groups meeting weekly during
Lent. The TWG Leadership Team is seeking parishioners to
lead small groups during Lent. Please email your interest to
the TWG dedicated email account by Fri 18 February. Training
will be provided.

TWG.StKevins.HamptonPark@gmail.com

TWG Workshops: Tuesday 22.02.22 (10am) and Thursday
24.02.22 (7.30pm). Parishioners are strongly encouraged to
attend one of the two TWG Workshops to discuss how we
at St Kevin's are fulfilling our baptismal call to discipleship
and evangelisation. The second part of the Workshop will
enable parishioners to workshop in small groups how we
can do more to build our missionary presence in our
community. Please make it a priority to attend and
complete the registration sheet which is in the church foyer.

Denise and Ravi (Parish Representatives)
with Fr Desmond & Fr Anil
TWG Leadership Team

 **CatholicCare**
VICTORIA
Strengthening families & communities
Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal - 13 February 2022

Today is Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal. Donations from our
parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to
support the most vulnerable people in our community.

Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic
Chaplains can continue to be the messengers of God's
mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged
to offer prayers and financial support to help provide
continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals
and families in Victoria facing loneliness, illness, pain, grief
and death.

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

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

19th & 20th February 2022

READERS

5.00pm Saturday

Adelle, Anil, Bernadette

7.00pm Saturday

Kim, Gerard, Michelle V

9.00am Sunday

Alexah, Maria, Ben

11.00am Sunday

Anton, Brian, Philomena

6.00pm Sunday

Anne, Ryan, Rohan

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS

5.00pm Saturday

Nance, Primrose, Tessy

7.00pm Saturday

Helen, Indra, Michelle

9.00am Sunday

Abey, Lana Togafu, Michael

11.00am Sunday

Anita, Lorna, Mary K.

6.00pm Sunday

George, Mirtza, Zen

CLEANERS

Team 1: Vasanthi Cooray

Antonio Magasinag

Eileen Fernando

COUNTERS

Team 3 – Ben & Jocelyn Rosemond

Judith D'Silva



IN OUR PARISH

14th February	Monday 9.15 am Mass
15th February	Tuesday 9.15 am Mass
16th February	Wednesday 7.00pm Mass followed by Novena
17th February	Thursday 9.15am Mass
18th February	Friday 9.15 am Mass
19th February	Saturday 9.15 am Mass (followed by Reconciliation) 5.00 pm Mass 7.00 pm Mass
20th February	Sunday 9.00 am Mass 11.00 am Mass 6.00 pm Mass



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE

STUDENTS

MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE – Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. A Training Day for new volunteers with emphasis on Child Safeguarding will take place prior to commencement.

Email: somml@bigpond.com (preferred for contact)

Website: www.mercyworks.org.au Tel: 9326 1895

RCIA:

At the gathering held on 13th January, it was decided to defer the programme to October this year due to the size of the meeting room and given sensitivity to COVID and the number of enquirers and sponsors.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

The Religious Education classes will start on Wednesday 2nd March 2022 for children attending non-Catholic schools and wishing to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes are from Grade 2 to Grade 6 and over. Enrolments are being taken by the Parish Secretary at the Parish House (Wednesday to Friday – 9.30 am to 4.00 pm) and will close on Friday, February 18, 2022. As classroom sizes are limited and resources must be purchased, please enrol your children as soon as possible.

Monique Caralot

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving:

Troy & Anna Yates & Family
Josh and Vanessa Moore
Iraheta Family, Rhea Fernandez
Edna-Rose Sarmiento
Joey Palacios, Ria Aragoza
Ellen Grace Abanto, Ming Lai, Lulu Santiago

For those who have died recently:

Mitrani Fernando
Connie Ross

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Henry Lionel Wickremasinghe
Valencia Guinan, K. D. Shiwantha
Brendan & Ian Parnell
Ernest & Geoffrey Atkinson
Percival D'Gama
Llewellyn & Dean Moses
John & Antoinette Crasto
Brenda & George Jackson
Rolland Jude Tellis, Errol Muñoz
Catherine Estorga, Lourdes Santiago

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 cut-off time and day for handing in names for Mass Intentions is Thursday 4 pm. Please call or email the Parish Office.

HEALING PRAYER AT BEDTIME

Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, go back into my memory as I sleep. Every hurt that has ever been done to me – heal that hurt. Every hurt that I have ever caused to another person – heal that hurt. All the relationships that have been damaged in my whole life that I'm not aware of – heal those relationships.

But Lord, if there is anything that I need to do – if I need to go to a person because he is still suffering from my hand, bring to my awareness that person.

I choose to forgive, and I ask to be forgiven. Remove whatever bitterness may be in my heart, Lord, and fill the empty spaces with your love. Thank you, Jesus. Amen.

Take THE Way OF THE Gospel

Take the Way of the Gospel ... our parish discernment continues...week 3

Last week, we began Phase 1 of our discernment As we continue our period of reflection, in preparation for our Parish Workshop, this week we turn to the subject of evangelisers.

For pondering this week...

Developing Evangelisers: An 'evangeliser' is one who preaches or spreads the Gospel message. Whilst we easily recognise the term 'evangelist' as referring to the four Gospel writers, perhaps we are not so used to referring to ourselves as evangelisers; it is not a term we readily use or perhaps are even comfortable with. And yet, in his 2013 Apostolic Letter (*Evangelii Gaudium*), Pope Francis uses the word and its derivatives throughout his document. He writes: "We cannot forget that evangelisation is first and foremost about preaching the Gospel ... Christians should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invites others to a delicious banquet." S14.

To spread the Word of God and to fulfil our baptismal call, Jesus needs evangelisers today – to spread the message of the Gospel through word and example, i.e. the unconditional mercy and love of God. As we ponder what it means to be Missionary Parishes, we are challenged to live whole-heartedly as Missionary Evangelisers – within and outside our parish communities. Missionary Parishes needs evangelisers if they are to be vibrant – full of energy and life.

Consider the following:

- How do we at St Kevin's live out Jesus' mandate to spread the Gospel 'to the ends of the earth'?
- How do I actively evangelise – through word, example and compassionate care of others?
- What more can we do to respond to Jesus' invitation to 'Love thy neighbour'?

The TWG Leadership Team encourages you to submit your thoughts and responses to: TWG.STKevins.HamptonPark@gmail.com. Your feedback will be kept confidential and anonymous, with personal identifiers removed as necessary.