

**ST. KEVIN'S PARISH
HAMPTON PARK
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
(YEAR C)**



19th & 20th November 2022

PARISH CENTRE

120 Hallam Road,
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday (9.30am – 4:00pm)

PARISH PRIEST	: Rev. Fr. Desmond Moloney
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DEACON	: Rev. Dr. Graeme Pender
PARISH SECRETARY	: Mrs. Indrani Guinan
SCHOOL PRINCIPALS	
ST. KEVIN'S	: Jason Micallef – 9709 8600
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Parish Website

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

‘Support us’ page

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

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please refer to the Parish Calendar on page 2.

RECONCILIATION

On Saturday mornings after Mass till 10:30am

BAPTISMS

There will be no Baptisms celebrated on the 25th of December 2022 & the 1st of January 2023. There will also be no Baptism Preparation meeting held in January 2023. The next preparation meeting for the new year will be on the 2nd of February 2023.

WEDDINGS

Please give, if possible, 12 months notification prior to a wedding at our Church. Please call or email the Parish Office.

**THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE (CHRIST THE KING)**

This weekend the Catholic Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Christ the King). This feast was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. The feast is intended to proclaim in an effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

“Love God with all your being, and love others as I have loved you.” His love is selfless, compassionate, forgiving, and unconditional. He is a King with a saving and liberating mission: freeing us from all types of bondage, enabling us to live peacefully and happily on earth, and promising us an inheritance in the eternal life of heaven.

To celebrate this feast the youth will be singing for 11am mass and will be leading adoration after the mass.

All are welcome to join, especially the young people to celebrate this Feast and the start of our journey to World Youth Day together.

LIFTING OF THE GENERAL DISPENSATION

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli has written a pastoral letter entitled ‘Welcome Home’, regarding lifting of the general dispensation from our Sunday and Holy Day obligations as of the first **Sunday in Advent – 27 November 2022** and encouraging us to gather together again at Mass and explaining some changes regarding our Sunday and Holy Day obligations and the streaming of Masses. Copies of this pastoral letter is available in the Church Foyer. Please take a copy home with you.

LETTER FROM THE BISHOPS OF VICTORIA STATE ELECTION 2022

The Bishops of Victoria have written to the Catholic community in Victoria to provide an election guide designed to help Catholics consider and navigate key issues of significance, particularly those related to the common good. [You are invited to read the guide](https://www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022) and to prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. The guide can be found at: www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022.

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SKY – TRIVIA NIGHT: Big Thank You and God Bless You All

Dear friends, the youth of St. Kevin's would like to thank the parish community and everyone who supported their successful Trivia Night. Personally, I would like to say a very big and heartfelt thank you to all the parents who helped our young people during this event. Without your support it would not have been a success! May the good Lord bless you and your families abundantly.

Fr. Anil Mascarenhas

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**26th & 27th November 2022****READERS****5.00pm Saturday**

Shayana, Nancy, Primrose

7.00pm Saturday

Michelle, Kimberley, Macrina

9.00am Sunday

Fatima, Florence, Emeli

11.00am Sunday

Pam G., Zen, Cassie

6.00pm Sunday

Anne, Clarissa, Ryan

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS**5.00pm Saturday**

Candice, Carlton, Indira

7.00pm Saturday

Abey, Salome, Sunita

9.00am Sunday

Maria, Michael, Monique, Nadine

11.00am Sunday

Mary, Philomena, Sherine

6.00pm Sunday

George, Jude, Mirtza

CHURCH CLEANERS**Team 4 – Samoan Choir****COUNTERS****Team 2 – Roland D'Netto, Sunita & Kevin D'Mello, Gordon Joseph, Savio Fernandez****LAST WEEKEND COLLECTIONS**

Envelopes: \$2705.50

Unpledged: \$1095.65

Unidentifiable envelopes: \$0.00

Presbytery: \$2144.65

(Please use only the new envelopes. DO NOT change the number on the envelopes as you have been allocated new numbers)

IN OUR PARISH

21 st November	Monday	9.15am Mass
22 nd November	Tuesday	9.15am Mass
23 rd November	Wednesday	7.00pm Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
24 th November	Thursday	9.15am Mass
25 th November	Friday	9.15am Mass
26 th November	Saturday	9.15am Mass 5.00pm Mass 7.00pm Mass
27 th November	Sunday	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

Meeting on Sunday 20th November at 3:00pm in the hall.

Children from school grade 7 up to 17 years of age are welcome.

Parents/Guardians please ensure that you sign your children in and out.

NO PARKING BEHIND THE PARISH HOUSE

Please do not park behind the Parish House on a weekday unless you have a Pass issued by the Principal or Parish Priest.

**FROM THE PIETY STALL....**

Copies of God's Word 2023 are still available in the Piety Stall. Do come along and buy one for your home.

Nativity sets of various sizes are also available. Make your home Christmassy!

RCIA – Rite of Welcome

We welcome at the 9 0'clock Mass this Sunday, 15 candidates who have started the RCIA journey since early October. They are being prepared to receive the sacraments of initiation at Easter next year and becoming full member of the Catholic Church. They ask for your prayerful support along the way.

Donation Point Terminals

As proposed by the parishioners at the Parish Information Meeting, commencing last weekend, there will be EFTPOS terminals located in the Church foyer. These terminals are set up for a trial period. They will test how receptive parishioners are to this method of making their contributions, particularly to ascertain the volume of those who prefer not to carry cash and utilize this means.

There will be 2 terminals: one for donations into the Church account and the other for donations into the Presbytery account.

We appreciate your generous donation to our Parish.

Sumith Otagama, Sec. Finance Committee

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving:

Treasure Clarke & Family

For the sick:

Teresa Lopez (3)
Ranjenie Rajoo (3)

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

All the names that were given to the Parish Office have been entered in the Book of Remembrance.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Privacy legislation requires the **written permission of an authorised 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 day and time for handing in names for Mass Intentions is **Thursday 4 pm**. Please call or email the Parish Office.



Advent 2022 – Preparing for Christmas With Bruce Downes - The Catholic Guy

"You don't become who you hope to become, you only become what you do!"

You are invited to **Prepare for Christmas** this Advent (starting November 27th) with a new Daily Devotional series. Each day, you will receive a short inspirational video from Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, full of inspiration, real-life stories and practical ways to become all that God has created you to be! Register now or for more information: Email: info@brucedownes.org <https://BruceDownes.org/Advent>



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The members of the St Vincent De Paul Society have been remarkably busy during the current year. Since the lockdown was released there has been a significant increase in the help requested. The help provided is close to \$60,000 this year up to end of October. This includes food vouchers, rent assistance, and help with Utility bills and other help.

In the 2021 Christmas assistance we helped approx. 160 families with toys and food hampers. We were able to carry this out with the generous help of the St Kevin's Parish community and the two primary schools, St Kevin's and St Francis De Sales.

This year we have a considerable number of families that require help during Christmas. Therefore, once again we request your generous support by taking a tag from the Christmas tree in the foyer of the church and donating a toy for a needy child.

We plan to make deliveries on the 21 December 2022. Therefore, we would appreciate it if the toys can be received by Sunday 12 December 2022.

Thank You,

Sumith Otagama, President

NOVEMBER: THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The church reminds us, particularly in November, to pray for those who have died. Here at St. Kevin's, you are invited to write the names of your deceased family members and friends in the Parish Book of Remembrance, which will be left at the foot of the altar during November. Our family members and friends will be remembered as each Mass is celebrated. Reference will be made in the Prayer of the Faithful, as we pray for the names in the November Book of Remembrance. This is the Communion of Saints at work!

This will mean that our usual custom of presenting names for anniversaries in the Bulletin will be suspended in November since they can be in the Book of Remembrance, with the exception of those who have died recently. Once names of our beloved deceased have been entered into this Book there is no need to enter the names again.

CONGRATULATIONS!

This weekend three deacons were ordained to the priesthood in St. Patrick's Cathedral, **Rev Do Hoang Vinh, Rev Le Hoang An and Rev Nguyen Xuan Huy**, and three seminarians have been ordained to the Transitional Diaconate, **Mr Thomas Christie, Mr Tien Tran and Mr Peter Ngoc Nguyen**. As we congratulate them we continue to pray for them as they embark on their ministry in our Archdiocese.

Pray the Parish Daily Rosary on Zoom at 6pm

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84932957224>

Meeting ID: 849 3295 7224

(Zoom link is also on the Parish website)

Fr. Anil Mascarenhas

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - YEAR C

FIRST READING – 2 Samuel 5: 1-3

A reading from the second book of Samuel

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel.'" So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 121: 1-5 R.cf.v.2

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'

And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. R.

Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. R.

For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgment
of the house of David. R.

SECOND READING – Colossians 1: 12-20

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominions, Sovereignties, Powers –
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body,
he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

■ The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL – Luke Luke 23: 35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

The people stayed before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said, 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

Let's Reflect.....

"....giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light." Colossians 1:12

God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or we spend most of our time trying to acquire more stuff. Instead, try putting God first in all things. We were made for God. Open your heart and let Him in!