

**ST. KEVIN'S PARISH
HAMPTON PARK
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
(YEAR A)**



14th & 15th January 2023

PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday (9.30am – 4:00pm)

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PARISH PRIEST : Rev. Fr. Desmond Moloney
ASSISTANT PRIEST : Rev. Fr. Anil Mascarenhas
DEACON : Rev. Dr. Graeme Pender
PARISH SECRETARIES : Mrs. Indrani Guinan
: Mrs Anne Abela

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:

Saturday: 5.00pm, 7.00pm

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

Weekday Masses at 9.15 am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Wednesday : 7:00pm followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

RECONCILIATION

On Saturday mornings after Mass till 10:30am

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving: Jude and Trish Ambrose, Vincent & Rozeta Ambrose, Rita, Brendan Fraser, Marivi Collo, Lina Bordon, Rey and Ramona Padernilla, Avril and Amanda D'Silva, Marilyn De Rozario, Shayana Mannays

For the sick: Theresa D'Souza (4), Vaea Semi Leota (2) Levao Mareko Luti (2), Cirvilio D'Mello, Joel Braganza

For those who have died recently:

Cardinal George Pell, Lizza V. Trinidad, Carlyle Lane Santosh Kannaran

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Carlyle Muller, Cheryl Taylor, Frank Adie, Lucy Saldanha, Raphael Simons, Hilda B. Villanueva, Elias (Babs) Saldanha, Ellen Suzan V. Cortezano, Norma & Maurice Michael, Guillermo Enrique Baez, Felinda Romero, Joseph Fernandez, Desmond Rozario, Niño Baltazar, Ernesto Nacua, Imelda & Leslie Borthwick

BAPTISMS

The next preparation meeting for the new year will be on the 2nd of February 2023 at 7.15 pm in Church.

Healing Mass, 26 January 2023

In addition to Healing Masses and Retreats occurring this month in parishes nearby and further afield, a Healing Mass will be celebrated in St. Kevin's Church by Fr. Joseph Edattu V.C. (Director, Divine Retreat Centre, UK) on Thursday, 26th January at 7.00pm.

Parish Staff

Welcome to Anne Abela who joins Indrani Guinan in the Parish Office in a secretarial role.

Parish Catechism Classes

Religious Education classes are starting on Wednesday 1st March, at 4 p.m. for children attending non-Catholic schools, from Grades 2 to 6. Children are required to be in the church foyer at the latest 3.50 p.m. New and re-enrolments will be accepted until Friday 17th February. Please contact the parish office for enrolment forms. A copy of the child's baptism certificate needs to be produced for NEW ENROLMENTS and fees (in cash) are charged for the various classes. All information can be obtained at the parish office.



WYD Expression of Interest Extended

Our WYD expression of interest (EOI) form deadline has been extended. If you are a St Kevin's youth, aged between 18 and 35 and would like to attend WYD, please complete the EOI form and ensure you have read and accepted the guidelines by Sunday 15th January. The form can be found here: <https://stkevins.org.au/?p=4095>

Bake sale next weekend

St Kevin's youth will be hosting a bake sale after weekend Masses on the 21st and 22nd of January. As you may have heard last week, we already have 35 youth who are keen to attend the World Youth Day. If you can help with baked or other goods for sale, please reach out to Danielle 0422 680 957 or Kimberley 0410082662. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

New Thanksgiving Envelopes

Please collect your new Thanksgiving Envelopes which are in the Church foyer.



LAST WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

Envelopes : \$1403.50
Unpledged : \$647.20
Presbytery : \$1260.35

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

FIRST READING – Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 39: 2, 4, 7-10

R. Here I am, Lord;
I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. R.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. R.

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. R.

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. R.

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 1: 1-3 A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is

their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

■ The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL – Matthew 2: 1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptizing with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptize with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptize with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

Let's Reflect.....

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." Isaiah 49:5

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.



"You are called in particular to be young friends of Jesus" (Pope Saint John Paul II)
Dear friends, we want to thank God for another positive response for the Altar Servers' training sessions. It was lovely to see in great number the children who attended these training sessions last Sunday and on Wednesday in the church. We also welcomed a few newcomers who came for the training. Thank you parents for your commitment and continued support for these young children to grow in their faith journey. We appreciate the dedication of our Altar Servers' Committee members. Children, thank you once again for your "Yes" to serve and your commitment to grow in your faith journey. God bless you all

Fr. Anil Mascarenhas