

ST. KEVIN'S PARISH HAMPTON PARK

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)



22nd & 23rd April 2023

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 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: 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

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 7:15pm in the Church and must bring a copy of their **own baptism certificate**. The next meeting will be on the 4th of May.

WEDDINGS

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

A Huge Thank-You for the Farewell !

Last Sunday's Farewell with the afternoon Mass (Divine Mercy) followed by all that took place in the Hall was magnificent. I was truly blown away as I tried to absorb it all – the conduct of the occasion in great spirit – the graciousness of the speakers – the Samoan dances – the blessing song, the cake, the food and drinks – the gifts – and the line of parishioners saying their personal farewell. I extend my heart-felt thanks to everyone involved in helping to make it such a memorable event. Such events can serve to unify and build up community. Thank you, St. Kevin's Parish, for all you have given to me. A little remembrance in your prayers from time to time will be greatly appreciated. God's richest blessings!

Fr. Desmond J. Moloney

FAREWELL Dear Fr. Desmond Moloney

Dear Fr. Des, we are sad to bid you farewell and you will be really missed. We appreciate your tireless devotion and Service to the Lord and our parish community. We feel blessed by knowing you. You have made a difference in the lives of so many here at St. Kevin's Parish. As you begin the next chapter of your priestly journey, may the Lord continue to richly bless you and keep you in His loving care.



Pray the Parish Daily Rosary on Zoom at 6pm

Since the last (almost) 2 years many Parish families come together in prayer for this daily rosary to implore for Our Lady's blessings. All are welcome to join the Zoom Meeting with the link below. The website also has this link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84932957224>

Meeting ID: 849 3295 7224

Fr. Anil Mascarenhas

Good Shepherd Sunday – 2023

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

A prayer request... You might know of a young person in the parish, in your family or an acquaintance whom you think would make a good priest or religious. Why not pray for them by name on a regular basis? Carry them with you 'spiritually' to Mass on Sunday and place them on the alter at the offertory. Sometimes the Lord uses us as his instruments to encourage vocations.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

29th & 30th April 2023

READERS

5.00pm Saturday

Primrose, Shayana, Tessy

7.00pm Saturday

Nichola, Warren, Gerard

9.00am Sunday

Maria, Patricia, Anita

11.00am Sunday

Cassie, Anton, Philomena

6.00pm Sunday

Clarissa, Anne, Wendy

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS

5.00pm Saturday

Candice, Carlton, Indira

7.00pm Saturday

Anacletus, Benita, Christobelle

9.00am Sunday

Fatima, Florence, Josephine, Lana

11.00am Sunday

Elizabeth, Mary, Pam D., Pam G.,

6.00pm Sunday

George, Mirtza, Syd

CHURCH CLEANERS

Team 6 – Annabel Vaidyanathan, Michael D’Souza, Richard Prazer

COUNTERS

Team 4 – Athena & Richard Fritchley, Anne & Ainslie Collins, Kaye/Gerard Braganza



LAST WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

Envelopes : \$1087.50

Unpledged : \$738.60

Presbytery : \$1076.15

IN OUR PARISH

24 th April	Monday	9.15am Mass
25 th April	Tuesday	9.15am Mass
26 th April	Wednesday	7.00pm Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
27 th April	Thursday	9.15am Mass
28 th April	Friday	9.15am Mass
29 th April	Saturday	9.15am Mass 5.00pm Mass 7.00pm Mass
30 th April	Sunday	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass

Mother's Day Dance: tickets are on sale



Mother's Day dance donations:

The youth are looking for donations for the dance to use as prizes for the raffle and silent auctions.

If you have any donations, please get in contact with Nathan - 0431 754 652 or Jude - 0413 706 123.

WYD T-shirt design competition:

The World Youth Day pilgrims would like to invite the artistic parishioners of St. Kevin's parish to design a T-shirt for them to wear on their pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal.

All parishioners of St. Kevin's are welcome to enter the competition, with a prize to be won for the design that will be selected by the pilgrims.

If you would like to enter the competition or want more info, please email: skyouth.120@gmail.com

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving:

Warren and Philomena Peters
Martha Pastopile
Fr Anil Mascarenhas
Mary Eustace
Ethan Eustace
Mr & Mrs A Franklin
Robin & Family

For the sick:

Arneaux Zakhariel Baran (3)

For those who have died recently:

Keith Lampard
Fr Bob Maguire
Serge Lebrasse
Cyril Commarmond
Louis Minerve

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

See-Woo-In Etienne
Edward Cutinha
Vincent D'Rozario
Dulcie Madeira
Cathy Bronnec
Florence Rosemond
Maurice Dubier
Zenobia Symss

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.





Prayer for Vocations



O God, who chose the apostles to make disciples of all nations, and who by Baptism and Confirmation has called us to build up your Holy Church, we implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives to make you better known and loved by all. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

"Vocations are born in prayer and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit"
- Pope Francis



Gospel continued...

Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.' Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

■ The gospel of the Lord.

Let's Reflect.....

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" LUKE 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

FIRST READING – Acts 2: 14, 22-23

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always,
for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.
So my heart was glad
and my tongue cried out with joy:
my body, too, will rest in the hope
that you will not abandon my soul to Hades
nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.

You have made known the way of life to me,
you will fill me with gladness through your presence.'
'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 15: 1-2, 5, 7-11

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize. R.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. R.

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. R.

SECOND READING – 1 Peter 1: 17-21

A reading from the first letter of St. Peter

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason - so that you would have faith and hope in God.

■ The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us,
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia

GOSPEL – Luke 24: 13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

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