



St. Kevin's Catholic Parish

HAMPTON PARK



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) - 15th September 2024

Parish Centre

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St Kevin's Parish is committed to the care, safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people, and vulnerable people.

Safeguarding email:
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Team

Parish Priest: Fr. Fabian Smith
Deacon: Rev. Dr Graeme Pender
Parish Coordinator: Mrs. Macrina Martin
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School Principals:
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Mass Times

Weekdays
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat - **9:15am**
Every Wed - **7:00pm** followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Sunday (Vigil)
Sat 5:00pm & 7:00pm
Sun: 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

A Priest is available for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** 30 minutes before all Masses and on **Saturday mornings after Mass** till **10:30am**.

The **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated on the first and third 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 and the child's birth certificate for our records, as we cannot accept originals**.

Mass Intentions

Please note the **cut-off** day and time for handing in names for **Mass Intentions is Wednesday evening**.

Please call **(03) 9799 2108**, email the **Parish Office** or drop off the mass intention envelope in the postal slot in the **Parish Office door**.

News from Fr Fabian

- Based on our recent year-end workload review, the role of Parish Secretary has been reclassified to Parish Coordinator. This change reflects the evolving responsibilities and the expanded scope of work undertaken to support our vibrant parish community. As Parish Coordinator, Macrina Martin will continue to oversee essential administrative tasks, but with an enhanced focus on streamlining operations and fostering greater coordination within our ministries and events. This adjustment is aimed at better meeting the needs of our parish and ensuring that we continue to serve you effectively. I appreciate your support and understanding as we implement this change.
- We congratulate Fr Vijay on his ordination to the priesthood that took place on Friday, 13th September in Canberra. Fr Vijay will celebrate the 11am mass on Sunday, 22nd September at our church. We will take up a third collection after all the masses this weekend and present your contributions to Fr Vijay after the mass next Sunday. Please stay for a cuppa after the mass.
- Consecration to Our Lady – We will be praying a 33 day Consecration to Mary according to St Louis de Montfort to consecrate ourselves and our Parish to Our Blessed Mother. We will begin on Tuesday, 5th November and complete the Consecration on Sunday, 8th December - The Feast of the Immaculate Conception. We will be using a book for the 33 days of prayer and meditation. If you would like to participate and purchase a book, please scan the QR code to fill in your details. You can also contact the Parish Office.



- Deacon Jean-Sebastien Gery will be ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Melbourne on Saturday, 21st September at 10am, at St Patrick's Cathedral. Please pray for him as he begins his priestly ministry.
- Please note that the Suggestion Box has been relocated to the passageway leading to the toilets to protect anonymity, if people wish to stay out of view of the cameras. I encourage you to continue to place your suggestions in the Suggestion Box.

Children's Catechism

The Missionaries of the Holy Family International will be starting Children's Catechism classes from 6th October 2024. The classes will be held over five weeks - 6th October, 13th October, 20th October, 27th October and 3rd November after the 11am mass. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for more details.

Join Our Parish Choirs

Music is a vital part of our liturgical celebrations, and our choirs play a crucial role in leading us in song, uplifting our hearts, and enhancing the sacredness of our Masses. Whether you've been blessed with a beautiful voice or simply love to sing, your presence in our choir can make a significant impact. We welcome singers of all ages and abilities to join us. Even if you're unsure of your musical ability, we encourage you to come and give it a try. The joy of singing in a group, united in faith, is a gift that you won't want to miss. If you feel called to share your voice and to be part of this beautiful ministry, please reach out to Candice Vaz on 0425 843 787 for more details. We look forward to welcoming you into our choir family! Thank you for considering this invitation.

Rosters - 1st & 2nd June

Readers & Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion please see Notice Board or Parish Website for Rosters.

Church Cleaners

Team 2: Antonio, Samangi, Eileen, Joelle, Rennla

Counters

Team 1: Anne, Michael, Lyn, Nadine, Tyronie, Gerald, Renee

Last Weekend's Collection

Envelopes: \$5391.20

Unpledged: \$2310.80

Presbytery: \$2391.65

Thank you!

This Sunday we pray

In Thanksgiving

Dineri Kariyawasam

Shirley Ansell

Harry Xavier

William Francis

Thalia Ansell

Marcel, Marlene and Shayana Mannays

Lorraine Frederick

Lynette, Karen and Loretta and families

Christopher Faoa-Harris

Jerome, Nikita and Jermain Pereira

Nguyet Dinh

Yvonne & Brian Martin

Primrose Menezes

Xabier Faoa-Palagi

Doreen Faoa-

Palagi, Bella Faoa

Nikita Ravi

For those who are sick

Francis Cordeiro

Stany Menezes

Reneir Noel Sr. , Antonio

Rocco Rosata

Giovanna Rosata

Zayden Kahveci

For those who have died recently

Jason George

Ivan D'Cruze

Valerian Fernandes, Ranjit Emmanuel Biswas

For those anniversaries we celebrate

Nikita Araujo Boavida

Ermelinda, Leonardo Araujo

Felipe Mendoza

Barbara and Clement Passagne

Vernon and Doris Mannays

Brian, Aureen and Nicolette Clarke

The souls in purgatory

Noela Lebrasse

Max Mortimer

Meena Fatima Cordeiro

Deceased members of Abeydeera, Neydorff and De La Motte Families

Stewart and Christable De La Motte

Baptist Abeydeera

Feast days this week

Monday, 16th September: Sts Cornelius & Cyprian

Tuesday, 17th September: St Robert Bellarmine, St Hildegard of Bingen

Thursday, 19th September: St Januarius

Friday, 20th September: Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-song & Companions

Saturday, 21st September: St Matthew

Support our Parish

For contributions to support our Parish:

Name St Kevin's Parish Church Account

BSB 083 347

Account 643 962 991

For contributions to support our priests and the Archdiocese:

Name St Kevin's Catholic Presbytery Account

BSB 083 347

Account 643 962 334

Migrant Youth Festival – 29th September 2024

The ethnic and migrant youth of Melbourne are invited to the inaugural Migrant Youth Festival, an initiative of the Migrant Catholic Chaplaincies. The day will include a keynote address, a panel featuring Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, group activities and a mini cultural concert. We will join the broader Catholic community for the annual Migrant and Refugee Mass—or 'Mass for All Nations'—at St Patrick's Cathedral, which will close out the festival. Lunch will be provided. Find out more at <https://melbournecatholic.org/events/migrant-youth-festival>

Mothers who pray for their children

The 'Mothers Who Pray for Their Children' movement is a heartfelt initiative that brings together all mothers who seek to intercede for their children through the power of prayer. Rooted in faith and inspired by the love of God, these women gather to lift up their families, asking for God's guidance, protection, and grace over the lives of their children. We are excited to explore the possibility of bringing the 'Mothers Who Pray for Their Children' movement to St. Kevin's Parish, Hampton Park. If you feel called to be part of this prayerful community, we warmly invite you to express your interest. To learn more or to express your interest, please contact the Parish Office.

Correction

Please note that the Presbytery Collection amount for 1st September was \$2106.95. The incorrect amount was reported in last week's bulletin.

Sponsorship Opportunity – Memorial Cuppa

For years, the Social Group has hosted a delightful cuppa after each mass on the second weekend of the month. In the past, many of the parishioners have reached out to us asking if they could contribute in any way. We are introducing a meaningful way for you to participate starting in September named *Cuppa Sponsorship in memory of a loved one*.

Details are here below:

A parishioner can sponsor the cuppa for the mass that the family will be attending on the second weekend in the month, in honour of someone who has passed recently or to commemorate a birthday or death anniversary. A donation of \$100 will be made to the Social Group for the sponsorship of one cuppa for one mass on the second weekend in the month. Your loved one's name will be displayed on a special board, and parishioners will be asked to say a prayer for their souls. This has to be organised a month in advance.

Please note that we may have more than one person's name per weekend

If you're interested, please reach out to Anita Fernandez @0402505676 or Warren @ 0423247093



THE MASS – THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We come now to the moment the Church, in its General Instruction of the Roman Missal, calls “the centre and summit of the entire celebration”.

It is when the priest does what Jesus did: he takes bread, blesses it, breaks it, and declares it to be his body; that is, the body of Jesus. The priest does this, however, in the midst of a long prayer the longest prayer of the Mass. He does this following a minutely prescribed ritual, hallowed by two thousand years of tradition. He follows the ritual closely, because its form is something he, like St Paul, has “received from the Lord” (1 Corinthians 11:23). This is no place for improvisation, but for faithfulness.

We have arrived at the Eucharistic Prayer also called the ‘Canon of the Mass’, sometimes also called by the Greek word Anaphora. Canon means a ‘measure’ or ‘rule’. Anaphora refers to an offering, something borne or ‘carried up’.

The Eucharistic Prayer is indeed an offering. It is the ‘holy sacrifice’ of the Mass. It is true that there is only one sacrifice the self-giving of Jesus on the cross at Calvary. Once and for all Jesus, who was the victim for our sins, offered himself up for our redemption. “For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance” (Hebrews 9:15). Jesus accomplished the only sacrifice, the one great sacrifice, when, as priest and victim, he offered himself on the altar of the cross. His sacrifice need not and cannot be repeated. But it can be re-presented so that we are able, sacramentally and spiritually, to enter it and draw spiritual nourishment from it. This should move us to the most profound prayer of gratitude and so it does. It moves us to this prayer of eucharistia, which, again, is Greek for ‘thanksgiving’.

In Australia, the congregation recognises the sacred character of this prayer by kneeling through its entirety. As soon as we finish singing the Holy, Holy, Holy, the faithful fall to their knees in expectation of the coming of Jesus Christ. The timing of the kneeling varies from country to country, but throughout the Western Church kneeling is observed as the appropriate posture for at least some of the Eucharistic Prayer.

In the Roman Missal, there are four primary Eucharistic Prayers the priest may choose from.

■ Eucharistic Prayer I (also known as the Roman Canon) is based upon the great Latin liturgy of the ancient Church. In its present form, it was published by Pope St Pius V in 1570, but it is substantially the same as the rites described in the writings of the great fathers of the Western Church, St Ambrose (fourth century), St Augustine (fifth century) and St Gregory the Great (Sixth Century)

■ Eucharistic Prayer II is based on a liturgy in the Greek language recorded around 215 AD by St Hippolytus of Rome. It may have been long established by the time he wrote it down. It fell into disuse for more than a millennium, but was reinstated in the second half of the 20th century. It is brief and to the point.

Eucharistic Prayer II is intended primarily for use on weekdays.

■ Eucharistic Prayer III follows the pattern of the Roman Canon, but is a more abbreviated form. It was composed during the later part of the 20th century.

■ Eucharistic Prayer IV was modeled after certain liturgies of the Eastern Church. It includes a longer, very poetic retelling of the history of salvation. It begins with an account of God’s life in eternity, proceeds through creation and the original sin, and then through the history of the covenants, culminating in the redemption won through the life of Jesus Christ.

In addition to these four, the Church has other Eucharistic Prayers to be used in special circumstances for Masses of Reconciliation and for Masses with children.

The various Eucharistic Prayers differ from one another in style and content, but they share a similar solemnity and dignity. Each has its own emphasis, but they all speak the same truth, tell the same story, and accomplish the same end.

They also share certain common elements. Like so many of the prayers of the Mass, the Eucharistic Prayers are Trinitarian. In praying them, the priest, on behalf of the entire Church, addresses God the Father through Christ in the Spirit.

The Eucharistic Prayer is such a rich complex of words, gestures, and postures, involving vessels and furnishings as well, they we ought not treat it in a single chapter.

We will, instead, divide our discussion as the Church has divided its own in the Missal and in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Every Eucharistic Prayer includes:

- Thanksgiving and acclamation these take place most prominently in the Preface and the Holy, Holy, Holy.
- A prayer for the sending of the Holy Spirit (also called the epiclesis).
- The institution narrative the story of the Last Supper.
- Remembrance (also called anamnesis).
- Intercession.
- A final doxology.

Since we already looked at thanksgiving and acclamation in the discussion of the Preface and Holy, Holy, Holy

From The Mass by Cardinal Donald Wuerl and Mike Aquilina

1st Reading – Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who will dare to condemn me?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm – 114 (116):1-6, 8-9

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with the anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord, my God, deliver me!

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.

2nd Reading – James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel – Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.