



St. Kevin's Catholic Parish

HAMPTON PARK



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (YEAR C) 29th DECEMBER 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.

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Team

Parish Priest: Fr. Fabian Smith
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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

- Thank you for your prayers and wishes over the Christmas season. May the Christ Child continue to bless you and your families with hope, peace, joy and love.
- As outlined to the Parish, we are planning to relocate the Grotto and the adoration chapel as part of the Parish Centre refurbishment. The estimated cost of construction for the grotto is \$100,000 and the chapel is \$200,000. We are blessed to live in a vibrant multicultural community. I invite our community groups to come together to plan fundraising events for next year. Please email the Parish Office with your fundraising ideas.
- The Jubilee Year Calendar is available in the foyer. Please take a copy home.
- Please email the Parish Office if you would like to make bookings for your choir/group for 2025. Please note that whilst we are taking Church and meeting room bookings for the whole year, there are certain times when these spaces might not be available. You will be notified in advance of any changes.

Mass Intentions

Thanksgiving

Crasto Family

Paris Family

For Those who are Sick

Andree Jeanne

Ashley Rose Rosata

Stephanie Carmel Rosata

Belinda Murat Claité

Zayden Kahveci

For those who have died recently

David D'Cruz

For those whose anniversaries we remember

Noela Lebrasse

Kenneth, Philomena and Everard Paris

Joseph Crasto

Austin Peters

Guilhermina Albina Da Silva Li Hau

Anick Michel

Parish Office - Christmas Closure Dates

The Parish Office will be closed for Christmas from 23rd December 2024 to 6th January 2025 (both days inclusive). If you would like to give mass intentions for that period, please offer them by Wednesday 18th December 2024.

Thanksgiving Envelopes 2025

The next set of Thanksgiving envelopes are available in the foyer. Please take your envelopes home. The envelopes cover the period from January to July 2025. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions or wish to make any changes.

New Year Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve

Tuesday 31st December 2024

11pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary

12am Mass (Midnight)

New Year's Day

Wednesday 1st January 2025

10am Mass

No evening mass on Wednesday 25th December. Please note all other weekend and weekday masses will be as per the usual time.

1st Reading-1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28

Hannah conceived and gave birth to a son, and called him Samuel 'since' she said 'I asked the Lord for him.'

When a year had gone by, the husband Elkanah went up again with all his family to offer the annual sacrifice to the Lord and to fulfil his vow. Hannah, however, did not go up, having said to her husband, 'Not before the child is weaned. Then I will bring him and present him before the Lord and he shall stay there for ever.'

When she had weaned him, she took him up with her together with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the temple of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was with them. They slaughtered the bull and the child's mother came to Eli. She said, 'If you please, my lord. As you live, my lord, I am the woman who stood here beside you, praying to the Lord. This is the child I prayed for, and the Lord granted me what I asked him. Now I make him over to the Lord for the whole of his life. He is made over to the Lord.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 83(84):2-3,5-6,9-10

They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

How lovely is your dwelling place,
Lord, God of hosts.

My soul is longing and yearning,
is yearning for the courts of the Lord.

My heart and my soul ring out their joy
to God, the living God.

They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

They are happy, who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.

They are happy, whose strength is in you,
in whose hearts are the roads to Zion.

They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer,
give ear, O God of Jacob.

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield,
look on the face of your anointed.

They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

2nd Reading -1 John 3:1-2,21-24

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 2:41-52

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When they were on their way home after the feast, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was with the caravan, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere.

Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.'

'Why were you looking for me?' he replied. 'Did you not know that I must be busy with my Father's affairs?' But they did not understand what he meant.

He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority.

His mother stored up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and men.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.