



# St. Kevin's Catholic Parish

HAMPTON PARK



PENTECOST SUNDAY (YEAR C) 8TH JUNE 2025

## Parish Centre

A: 120 Hallam Road,  
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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:**  
safeguarding.hamptonpark@cam.org.au

## Team

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Fabian Smith  
**Assistant Priest:** Fr Antony Santhiyagu  
**Deacon:** Rev. Dr Graeme Pender  
**Parish Coordinator:** Mrs. Macrina Martin  
**Admin Assistant:** Miss Nikita Ravi

**School Principals:**  
**St. Kevin of Glendalough**  
Jason Micallef - (03) 9709 8600

**St. Francis De Sales**  
Christine White - (03) 8773 6700

## 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.

## Thank you!

Thank you to each one of our parishioners who so generously contributed time, talent and resources to make St Kevin's Feast day a success. We are blessed to live in a multicultural community of selfless people. Thank you to the Social Group and the leaders of the multicultural food stalls for organizing the delicious meals. God bless your generosity.

## Propagation of Faith Appeal - 14th and 15th June

June is World Mission month. Next weekend, our Parish will have a third collection to support the work of Catholic Mission.

For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.

Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/mission](http://catholicmission.org.au/mission)



## Australian Catholic Youth Festival

Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) is a national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Australian Bishops more than ten years ago. Run over three days, the festival provides young people from all across Australia with the opportunity to come together to connect, deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to live their faith in the world and experience the breadth of the Church in Australia. The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne is excited to be hosting ACYF from 30 November – 2 December 2025 and is looking forward to welcoming thousands of young people to Melbourne.

St Kevin's Parish is looking forward to taking our young people from Grade 9 to age 25. The cost per person will amount to approximately \$400.00 a head. In order to assist each child and family, our Junior and Senior Youth Leadership teams will be collaborating with the Social group to organise two fundraising events. A bake sale will be held on the weekend of the 2nd and 3rd August as well as a Dance on 30th August.

Please use the QR code in the bulletin to register.



## Altar Servers training - Sunday, 8th June

All altar servers are requested to attend the next training session on Sunday, 8th June from 3pm to 4.30pm in the Church.

## What's On

**Monday, 9th June- 5-6pm** Junior Legion of Mary

**Tuesday, 10th June: 7-8pm** Talk on the Two Hearts devotion by the Sisters from the Alliance of the Holy Family International

**Wednesday, 11th June: 4-5pm** Reconciliation preparation class

**Friday, 13th June: 6.00pm onwards** Rosary and mass for the Santiago Family

**7.30pm** Senior Youth Group - Movie Night in St Kevin's School Hall



## Rosters - 14th & 15th June

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

## Church Cleaners

**Team 5:** Tyrone, Tyronie, Emeli, Pelenato, Susanne

## Counters

**Team 4:** Gerard, Margaret, Ashley, Linda, Sydney, Veera

## Last Weekend's Collection

Envelopes:\$5021.55

Unpledged:\$2114.80

Presbytery:\$2198.05

## This Sunday We Pray

### Thanksgiving

Merique Fernandes

Philip, Sandra and Nathan D'Souza

Ashley Coates

Ivy Quilley & Zachary Robbins

Mary Pastorpile

Clinton, Petal and Kelly Brambleby

Olga and Henry Fernandez

## For the Sick

Belinda Claite Murat

Jones C.

Sandra Edwards

Angela Ria Santiago

Sonny Cunningham

Rosario Giaquinta

Arun Dsouza

Avantika Dsouza

Linda Bailey

Jose Marques

Teri Nichols

Robert Leo

Nazario Coutinho

## Feast Days this week

**Monday, 9th June:** Mary, Mother of the Church

**Wednesday, 11th June:** St Barnabas

**Friday, 13th June:** St Anthony of Padua

## For those who died recently

Justino Rosario, Flaviana Cacil Rosario, Edna Capper, Patrick Douce, Mykell Seeboruth, Maxwell Philogene, Walter Lockwood, Trevor Noronho

## For those whose anniversaries we remember

Fernando Marques, Maria Carlota Marques, Cipriano Marques, Sandra Maria Marques, Antonia Abrao Marques, Laila Marques, Aju Marques, Antoinette and John Crasto, Maria De Souza, Kenneth Lappen, Royston Caszo, Lena Coates, S. Michael Perera, Milroy Jansz, Frederick and Patsy Rosario, Brendan and Ian Parnell, Ernest and Geoffrey Atkinson, Rupert Newbond, Daphne Newbond, Maureen D'Silva, Horace D'Silva, Norman Marshall, Jude Myers, Conrad Myers, Shane Myers, Randolph Myers, Bradford Newbond, Dolly Lane, Tommy Lane, Carlyle Lane, Leslie McDonald, Peter Fernandez, Charles and Iris Dennis, Mary Vigar and Rosario D'Souza, Rahelamma, Jose Augustin, Ruth Dubier

## Special Collections Update

Thank you for donating your cans and bottles towards our 10c appeal to raise funds for the building of the chapel and grotto. Please find below the total amounts raised each month: January \$554.50, February \$474.30, March \$454.40, April \$413.40 and May \$220.40. The amount raised in April has been matched by the Knights of the Southern Cross. If you would like to match the amounts raised in any of the other months, please use the envelopes marked Special Appeal, available in the foyer and hand in your contribution to the Parish Office.

As previously announced, the Parish will match your contributions with money contributed in our existing grotto offering box.

## Samoan community Fundraiser

Event details as follows:

**Tausala Fundraising** (extension of St Kevin Hampton Park church)

**Date:** July 12th, 2025

**Time:** 12.30pm to 4pm

**Place:** St Kevin School hall (Hampton Park)

Please contact the organizers if you wish to participate or if you require further information. Organizers: Telesia 0416272352, Sita 044720953, Emeli 0424956123.

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## Devotion to the Two Hearts - Wednesdays at 9.15am

You are invited to join in the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary. The group gathers on Wednesday mornings at 9.15am every week (excluding school holidays).

## Parish Dance

Join Us for a Night of Music & Dancing! Get ready for an unforgettable Fundraising Dance

**28 June 2025 at St Kevin's Hall**

Doors Open 7:30 pm

**No Limit** will have you on your feet all night and **DJ Jason** will be spinning your favorite hits to keep the party going! Come for the music, stay for the fellowship, and dance for a great cause! Every ticket sold will support our parish. Tickets will be sold after every mass: Adults-\$25, Child under 12 - \$15, Child under 5 - free no seat or Contact the following people for tickets

Warren Peters @0423 247 093 Florence D'Costa @0433 851 662 or Anita Fernandez @0402 505 676.

Bring your friends and family, and let's make this a night to remember!

The Nicene Creed says of the Holy Spirit that he “spoke through the prophets”. What does that mean? Well, in the first place it means that the Holy Spirit gave certain messages of warning to the Jews by means of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel and many others. They were moved to say various things, many of which it is difficult to understand, and some of which they probably didn’t understand themselves. They were carried away by the impetus of the Holy Spirit, and the great point is that many of the things which they said, or rather which he said through them, were prophecies about the coming of Jesus.

I do not suppose that Isaiah quite knew what he was talking about when he wrote: “Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son”. He just felt impelled, somehow, to say that, because that was what the Holy Spirit wanted him to say.

But this clause in the Creed also means that the whole of the Old Testament is inspired. And a lot of the books in the Old Testament are not prophecy exactly; they are pieces of history, and sometimes, like other pieces of history, it must be admitted, that they are not very exciting to read, especially when you come across long lists of names. Well, all that is inspired. What do we mean when we say that it is inspired? Do we mean that the men who originally wrote those books simply sat down with a pen and took it all down as the Holy Spirit dictated it to them? Must we picture them as saying: “Amasias was five and twenty years old when he began to reign (yes, I’ve got that), and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem (yes, I’ve got that), and his mother’s name was Joadan (how do you spell Joadan, please?)” and so on? There have been people before now who have thought of the inspiration of Holy Scripture as if it were a mere process of dictation of that kind.

But of course that is not how the Old Testament was written, and you can prove it. Because if you look at the Second Book of Maccabees (which very few people do) you will find that the author describes to us how he wrote his book. He says he has abridged in one book all the history that was written in five books by someone called Jason of Cyrene. Now, there is no reason whatever to think that Jason of Cyrene was inspired. But the man — we don’t know his name, or anything about him — who got to work and boiled down those five books into one book, the Second Book of Maccabees, was inspired. But inspiration didn’t make it an easy job. No. This man says: “As to ourselves indeed, in undertaking this work of abridging, we have taken in hand no easy task; yea, rather a business full of watching and sweat.” And when he had finished, although it was an inspired book, this man wasn’t in the least certain that it would be a bestseller. He says at the end: “I will here make an end of my narration, which if I have done well, and as becometh the history, it is what I desired; but if not so perfectly, it must be pardoned me.” He sat down and wrote quite an ordinary book, in quite an ordinary way; yet it was inspired.

What do we mean when we say that any book of the Old Testament was inspired? That the Holy Spirit helped the writers, watched over the process and saw they did it right; put ideas, perhaps, into their heads, which made them say: “That’s a good idea; I never thought of that before” — but it all seemed to come out of their heads; and indeed it did come out of their heads, because the Holy Spirit works in our heads.

That doesn’t necessarily mean that every word in the Old Testament is to be taken at face value. You find it stated in the Psalms, for instance, that God has made the round world so sure that it cannot be moved. And when Copernicus and then Galileo produced the idea which we all now believe, that the earth spins on its axis, a lot of people said: “That’s heresy! The Bible tells us the earth can’t be moved, and here are these people wanting us to believe that it’s speeding round and round like mad!” But the Psalms weren’t written to teach us geography; they are poetry, and the person who wrote that verse was just talking in the ordinary language of his time. So you cannot be certain that every word of the Old Testament is literally true. But you can be certain that the theology of the Old Testament, once you have understood it properly and made allowances for the Hebrew way of saying things, must be true; because when it was written the Holy Spirit was at work to see that the thing got done right.

And nor was the Holy Spirit at work only among the Jews. All through those centuries before our Lord came, whenever a human heart aspired to God, it was the same old story; it was the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity carrying out in this visible, created world the same work which he carries out in the uncreated, invisible world of eternity. He was making, in us, that response of love towards the eternal Father which it is his nature to make. In spite of the Fall, there is a kind of instinct which makes man look up to God, try to get back to God, and, that instinct is the silent working of the Holy Spirit, in the very heart even of unredeemed mankind.

It is difficult to get a right idea about the work of the Holy Spirit in the order of grace, until you have some idea of what the Holy Spirit does in the order of nature. His essential office is to be the response of love in our hearts to the goodness of God.

**1st Reading- Acts 2:1-11**

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 103(104):1,24,29-31,34**  
***Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.***

Bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are,

How many are your works, O Lord!

The earth is full of your riches.

***Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.***

You take back your spirit, they die,

returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, they are created;

and you renew the face of the earth.

***Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.***

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!

May the Lord rejoice in his works!

May my thoughts be pleasing to him.

I find my joy in the Lord.

***Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.***

**2nd Reading-Romans 8:8-17**

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

**Gospel John 14:15-16,23-26**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father,

and he will give you another Advocate

to be with you for ever.

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,

and my Father will love him,

and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name,

will teach you everything

and remind you of all I have said to you.