



St. Kevin's Catholic Parish

HAMPTON PARK



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Year C) – 22nd June 2025

Parish Centre

A: 120 Hallam Road,
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H: Tue to Fri 9.15am - 1:15pm
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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

Weekday Mass Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat – 9:15am

Every Wed – 7:00pm followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Sunday Mass Times

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**.

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. 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.

Catholic Mission – Propagation of Faith Appeal

We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Zambia and missionaries like Sr Jane and Kayula.



Thanks to your kindness, women like Sharon will have the skills to provide for their families, and mothers like Grace can give birth with dignity. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world. To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit

catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mission. Your action will make a profound change on people's lives.

Mass Intentions

Please use the mass intention envelopes available in the Church foyer. Kindly place your **weekend** mass intention envelopes in the postal slot of the Parish Office door. For **weekday mass intentions**, please hand your mass intentions over to the sacristan at least fifteen minutes before the start of the mass.

Weekend mass intentions should be given to the Parish Office by Wednesday evening.

First Holy Communion

We congratulate and pray for the students from St Kevin's and St Francis de Sales schools who have received the sacrament of First holy communion on Saturday 21st June. May the Body and Blood of Christ nourish and strengthen you through life.

What's On

Monday, 23rd June, 5-6pm: Junior Legion of Mary

Tuesday, 24th June: 7-8pm Jubilee Talk by Naim Chdid,

Topic: The Liturgy: God's greatest work on earth

Wednesday, 25th June: 4-5pm Reconciliation class

Friday, 27th June: Feast of the Sacred Heart -**9.15am** Mass at St Kevin's Church **2.20pm** Mass at St Francis de Sales School



ROSTERS for 28th & 29th June

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

CHURCH CLEANERS

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

COUNTERS

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

Last Weekend's Collection

Envelopes: \$5189.95

Unpledged: \$1888.85

Presbytery: \$2383.40

Thank you!

This Sunday we Pray**Thanksgiving**

Kristine Musnit

Wayne Paris

Noble Family

Annamaria Vincent

Angeline D'Silva

Treasure Clarke and family

Marian Collins

Rodricks Family

Chandra Subramaniam

Francis Family

Joaquin A. Ly

Shayne MaGee

Micaela Immaculate Moore

Trish Ambrose

Joseph Ambrose

Faye Lofamia

Sean Cabildo

Miriam Rozario

Edwina Thomas

For those who are sick:

Belinda Claita Murat

Jones C.

Sandra Edwards

Angela Ria Santiago

Rosario Giaquinta

Arun Dsouza

Avantika Dsouza

Layla Henderson

Jose Marques

Teri Nichols

Robert Leo

Nazario Coutinho

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 based on written permission of an authorized person the name can be re-added to the list.

Feast Days for the Week:

Tuesday, 24th June: The Nativity of St John the Baptist

Friday, 27th June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, 28th June: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

For those who have died recently:

Walter Lockwood, Patricia Valencia Zamora, Edward Domingo, Vlassis Danoudis, Helen Blanche

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Clifford and Linda de Rosario, Peter Fernandez, Gilbert Eugene Mannays, Jean Fraser, Badet Ng.-Youn, Neelavathy Munuswamy, Souls of Starr Family, Angela Coutinho, Xyron Paul Quemel, Irineo Olalia, Linus Johnson, Souls of Trevor and Joe, Federico Iraheta, Modesta Bolo, Filomeno Caysido, Derrick Bertram Simmons, Jose Antonio Ly, Daphne MaGee, Late Charles and Lena Coates, Corazon Dorilang, Gerard Shepherd, Tesalonica Llamera, Eloneor Llamera, Lt.Col.A.J.Ambrose

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 0434010580, Emeli 0424956123. Faamolemole manaomia lau fesoasoani

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 favourite 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 or no seat. 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!

CALL FOR DONATIONS: Fundraising Dance Raffle Prizes!

We are organizing a fundraising dance on Saturday 28th June , and we need your help to make it a success!

We are seeking donations of household goods that can be used as raffle prizes or cash to help with covering the costs of the event.

If you have any new items that could be donated, such as home décor, kitchenware, small appliances, or other useful household goods, we would be incredibly grateful for your contribution!

Please drop off your donations at the parish office during office hours this week

For any inquiries or to arrange a pickup, contact

Anita Fernandez @0402505676 , Warren Peters @ 0423 247 093 or Florence D'Costa 0433 851 662 Thank you for your generosity and support!

Help Christians in the Holy Land

Aid to the Church in Need is providing urgent support to the Church in Israel and Gaza in the ongoing conflict. Without your help, many desperate Christian families will be forced to leave.

To make an emergency donation visit

www.aidtochurch.org/holyland or scan the QR code.



The Holy Spirit's Intercession — Part I

The Apostle Paul teaches in his Letter to the Romans that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us in accordance with God's will. What, exactly, does this mean?

Many years ago, a friend of mine was going through a very difficult period in her life. To make matters worse, when she would attempt to take her needs to the Lord in prayer, she found that she couldn't pray. Her mind was so focused on the difficulty of her circumstances that she simply could not concentrate in prayer the way she needed to. If there was ever a time in her life when she needed to pray, it was then. And yet, she found that she was too weak, frustrated, frightened, and discouraged to be able to pray effectively. She was facing a double hardship now: a difficult trial and the inability to pray effectively concerning it.

I listened patiently to her as she poured out her heart to me concerning these things. As she spoke, the Holy Spirit brought back to my remembrance St Paul's teaching in the Letter to the Romans concerning this very thing. In that letter, he instructed the believers as follows:

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for us in accordance with God's will. (Rom 8:26-27).

One of the great blessings that come to us when we receive the Holy Spirit is that he intercedes for us day and night before the Father. According to St Paul, when he intercedes for us, he utters groans, supplications, and pleadings to God which we are not able to hear; only God is able to hear them. If no one on the entire planet ever prayed for you again, you would still have an Intercessor, the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to all who are in Christ.

Not only this, but according to Paul, the Holy Spirit intercedes for us in accordance with God's will. What, exactly, does this mean?

We may consider ourselves 'prayer warriors' or know people who would fall into this category. But no matter how effective we or others may be when it comes to prayer, we can never match the Holy Spirit's intercessions for us. Man is not omniscient. Because we are not all-knowing, we do not always know the proper way in which to pray concerning our circumstances. Not so with the Holy Spirit, who intercedes for us in accordance with the Father's will. Because he is part of the Trinity, he knows exactly why God is allowing us to face certain circumstances and what he wants to accomplish in our lives through those circumstances. He knows exactly what God's will is for each and every single one of our lives.

He knows where we are strong and where we need to improve or be changed altogether. No matter how many situations confront us in a given day, he knows exactly how God desires to use them in our lives, and it is on the basis of all this knowledge that he intercedes for us in accordance with the Father's will.

A brother in Christ calls you up and informs you that he has lost his job. He then asks you to pray for him and his family. You get off the phone, kneel down in the living room, and begin to intercede. What do you pray? Probably the same thing that I would pray. "Lord, please give my brother a job. He has a family to support and bills to pay. He will lose his house if you do not provide this job for him. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen." You then get up and go about your business.

You have interceded for your brother, just as he asked you to do. But have you interceded in accordance with the Father's will? You cannot, for you are not God and you do not fully understand the divine purpose for your brother's job loss.

The Holy Spirit, however, has complete knowledge concerning God's will for your friend's life. He knows the areas in your friend's character that need to be developed and changed so that he will become more like Christ. He is fully aware of the spiritual fruit that God desires to cultivate or prune in your friend's life. He knows the areas in your friend's life which are hindering him from growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ, and he knows exactly how God plans to be glorified in his life.

So, what does he do? While you're crying out to God to bless your brother in Christ with employment, the Spirit is crying out for God to achieve the spiritual, heavenly purpose behind that unemployment. He knows exactly why God allowed it and how God desires to use it. When the Holy Spirit prays, this is precisely what he asks for. His prayers will always line up with God's specific will for our lives. This is what Paul is referring to when he teaches that the Spirit intercedes for us in accordance with God's will.

By Lorraine Espenhain

Source: Catholic.net

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First Reading - Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth,
and blessed be God Most High for handing over
your enemies to you.'

And Abram gave him a tithe of everything.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 109(110):1-4

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord's revelation to my Master:

'Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet.'

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord will wield from Zion

your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.

'You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Luke 9:11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodgings and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.