



St. Kevin's Catholic Parish

HAMPTON PARK



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) – 12th October 2025

Parish Centre

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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

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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.

Altar Servers Training – Sunday, 12th October at 3pm in the Church

All altar servers and those who wish to serve are invited to attend the next training session on Sunday, 12th October from 3pm to 4.30pm in the Church.

Are you a trained medical professional? The Parish needs your help.

The Parish would like to maintain a registry of all trained medical professionals who may be able to assist in the event of a medical emergency. Please contact the Parish office to register your details.

ACYF Fundraising – Food Sale

The youth attending ACYF will be hosting a food sale on the weekend of the **25th and 26th of October**. We would like to kindly ask for your help to make it a success.

If you are able to donate some food, please use the sign-up sheet in the foyer or scan the QR code. Every contribution makes a big difference, and we are so grateful for your support. Thank you!



Music Ministry meeting – Tuesday, 14th October

All current members of the music ministry (choir leaders and choir members) are invited to attend the Music ministry meeting with Fr Fabian on Tuesday, 14th October at 7.30pm in the Church.

Counting Ministry

The counting ministry requires parishioners to carry out counting of the weekly church contribution. We will appreciate it if you can make time for this important ministry. Counting is carried out every Sunday. If you can contribute your time, please contact Sumith Olagama - 0419 233 629 or Parish Office - 9799 2108.

Sri Lankan Food Sale – 15th & 16th November

The Sri Lankan community intend to host a food sale to contribute towards the Grotto construction. We would like to kindly request your help by donating food packets to make this fund raiser a success.

Please contact the following people for further information/menu for the food packets. Sumith Olagama – 0419 233 629, Indra De Kauwe – 0422 617 044 Sherine Edwards – 0414 496 246

Every small contribution makes a difference.

What's On this week

Sunday, 12th October: 3pm: Altar servers training

Monday, 13th October: 5pm: Junior Legion of Mary

Tuesday, 14th October: 7pm: RCIA (School Hall)
7.30pm: Music ministry meeting

Wednesday, 15th October: Two Hearts devotion

Thursday, 16th October: Parish Sacramental Program
Pre Confirmation Class (Church foyer)

Friday, 17th October: 7pm: Commitment mass



ROSTERS for 18th & 19th October
Readers & Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion please see the Notice Board for Rosters.

CHURCH CLEANERS

Team 3: Jeneview, Khuram, Priscilla & Hayley, Michael, Maria, Doreen

COUNTERS

Team 2: Roland, Rosalia, Jackie, Savio, John, Jackie

Last Weekend's Collection

Envelopes: \$4752.00

Unpledged: \$1739.05

Presbytery: \$1920.25

Thank you!

This Sunday we Pray

Thanksgiving

Edwina Fernandes

Maria Jeronimo

Joanna Dogra

Joseph Mulitalo

Sheldon and Shantal Hayden

For those who are sick:

Alexander Ang

Mery Vasquez

Rick Blacker

Anthony Morril

Gregory Jacobs

Demosthenes Aledo

Oscar Francis

Rosario Giaquinta

For those who have died recently:

Jane Ilorag

Stanley Anthony Grey

Lester Pinto

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, 14th October: St Callistus I, Pope

Wednesday, 15th October: St Teresa of Jesus

Thursday, 16th October: St Margaret Mary Alacoque, St Hedwig

Friday, 17th October: St Ignatius of Loyola

Saturday, 18th October: St Luke

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Margaret Lockwood, Lena Fewkes, Philomena Paris, Clifford and Linda De

Rozario, Maria Bastian, Milroy Jansz, Baptist and Dorothy Abeyadeera,

Eugene Rodrigues, Walter Lockwood, Joyce Hookens, Gladwin D'Silva,

Reneir Noel Snr., Peter Fernandez, Placida and Johnson Gomes, Austin and

Rose Rego



Children's Catechism Classes

The Sisters from the Alliance of the Holy Family International will be conducting Children's Catechism classes at St Kevin's School Hall on all the Sundays in October – 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th

October and 2nd November, from 12.15pm to 1.15pm.

Please use the QR code to sign up.

Cleaning ministry

The Cleaning ministry is in need of parishioners to help keep our Church and surroundings clean. We have five teams who currently carry out this ministry for two hours every weekend on a rotating roster. Please make time to assist in this ministry. If you are interested in joining the Cleaning ministry, please contact the Parish Office.



Expression of Interest – Parish Advent Program

Please scan the QR code or contact the Parish office if you would like to participate in the Parish Advent Program. The group will meet pray and reflect. Expressions of interest close on

Thursday, 16th October.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

As part of our ongoing commitment to Safeguarding and in compliance with the Archdiocese of Melbourne safeguarding requirements, all volunteers are required to provide the following to the Parish office: **Working with Children Check (WWCC):** Go online to apply

<https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children>

Safeguarding Essentials Training certificate: This Training is required and needs to be renewed every three years. You may undertake this training online at:

<https://safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/s/login/?ec=302&startURL=%2Fs%2F>

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for October

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Pope Leo XIV has invited the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during October to invoke God's gift of peace

Study Theology in 2026 – Yarra Theological Union, University of Divinity

Join us for our online YTU Information Session on Wednesday 12th November at 5.30pm. Meet Sandra (Registrar), John (Dean) and other Faculty who will share all the information that you need. Questions are very welcome.

Please register via Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/DFNNP>

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

Dom Columba Marmion, O.S.B., Abbot of Maredsous

1. The Agony in the Garden

It is for the love of His Father above all else that Jesus willed to undergo His Passion. Behold Jesus Christ in His agony. For three long hours weariness, grief, fear and anguish sweep in upon His soul like a torrent; the pressure of this interior agony is so immense that blood bursts forth from His sacred veins. What an abyss of suffering is reached in this agony! And what does Jesus say to His Father? "Father, if it be possible, let this chalice pass from Me." Can it be that Jesus no longer accepts the Will of His Father? Oh! certainly He does. But this prayer is the cry of the sensitive emotions of poor human nature, crushed by ignominy and suffering. Now is Jesus truly a "Man of Sorrows." Our Savior feels the terrible weight of His agony bearing down upon His shoulders. He wants us to realize this; that is why He utters such a prayer. But listen to what He immediately adds: "Nevertheless, Father, not My will but Thine be done." Here is the triumph of love. Because He loves His Father, He places the Will of His Father above everything else and accepts every possible suffering in order to redeem us.

2. The Scourging

Christ substituted Himself voluntarily for us as a sacrificial victim without blemish in order to pay our debt, and, by the expiation and the satisfaction which He made for us, to restore the Divine life to us. This was the mission which Christ came to fulfill, the course which He had to run. "God has placed upon Him"—a man like unto ourselves, of the race of Adam, but entirely just and innocent and without sin—"the iniquity of us all."

Since Christ has become, so to speak, a sharer in our nature and taken upon Himself the debt of our sin, He has merited for us a share in His justice and holiness. In the forceful words of St. Paul, God, "by sending His Son in the likeness of sinful flesh as a sin-offering, has condemned sin in the flesh." And with an impact still more stunning, the Apostle writes: "For our sakes He (God) made Him (Christ) to be sin who knew nothing of sin." How startling this expression is: "made Him to be sin"! The Apostle does not say "sinner," but—what is still more striking—"sin"! Let us never forget that "we have been redeemed at great price by the precious blood of Christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

3. The Crowning with Thorns

Christ Jesus becomes an object of derision and insults at the hands of the temple servants. Behold Him, the all-powerful God, struck by sharp blows; His adorable face, the joy of the saints, is covered with spittle; a crown of thorns is forced down upon His head; a purple robe is placed upon His shoulders as a mock of derision; a reed is thrust into His hand; the servants genuflect insolently before Him in mockery. What an abyss of ignominy! What humiliation and disgrace for One before Whom the angels tremble! The cowardly Roman governor imagines that the hatred of the Jews will be satisfied by the sight of Christ in this pitiful state. He shows Him to the crowd: "Ecce Homo—Behold the Man!"

Let us contemplate our Divine Master at this moment, plunged into the abyss of suffering and ignominy, and let us realize that the Father also presents Him to us and tells us: "Behold My Son, the splendor of My glory—but bruised for the sins of My people."

4. Jesus Carries the Cross

Let us meditate upon Jesus Christ on the way to Calvary laden with His cross. He falls under the weight of this burden. To expiate sin, He wills to experience in His own flesh the oppression of sin. Fearing that Jesus will not reach the place of crucifixion alive, the Jews force Simon of Cyrene to help Christ to carry His cross, and Jesus accepts this assistance. In this Simon represents all of us.

As members of the Mystical Body of Christ, we should all help Jesus to carry His Cross. This is the one sure sign that we belong to Christ—if we carry our cross with Him. But while Jesus carried His cross, He merited for us the strength to bear our trials with generosity. He has placed in His cross a sweetness which makes ours bearable, for when we carry our cross it is really His that we receive. For Christ unites with His own the sufferings, sorrows, pains and burdens which we accept with love from His hand, and by this union He gives them an inestimable value, and they become a source of great merit for us. It is above all His love for His Father which impels Christ to accept the sufferings of His Passion, but it is also the love which He bears us.

5. Jesus Dies on the Cross

At the Last Supper, when the hour had come to complete His oblation of self, what did Christ say to His Apostles who were gathered around Him? "Greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay down his life for his friends." And this is the love, surpassing all loves, which Jesus shows us; for, as St. Paul says, "It is for us all that He is delivered up." What greater proof of love could He have given us? None.

Hence the Apostle declares without ceasing that "because He loved us, Christ delivered Himself up for us," and "because of the love He bears for me, He gave Himself up for me."

"Delivered," "given"—to what extent? Even to the death on the cross! What enhances this love immeasurably is the sovereign liberty with which Christ delivered Himself up: "He offered Himself because He willed it." These words tell us how spontaneously Jesus accepted His Passion. This freedom with which Jesus delivered Himself up to death for us is one of the aspects of His sacrifice which touch our human hearts most profoundly.

First Reading - 2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.'

But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused.

Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm - 97(98):1-4

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth,
ring out your joy.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry, 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:
If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.
If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.
If we disown him, then he will disown us.
We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,
for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'