

St Monica's Church Deffell St Evatt

# **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH NORTH BELCONNEN**

EVATT, GIRALANG, KALEEN, LAWSON, MCKELLAR, MELBA & SPENCE

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St Michael's Church Tyrrell Cct Kaleen

### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal people, as Traditional Owners of the land where we gather today and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

# **MASS TIMES**

# St Monica's Church, Evatt

Wednesday: 9.30 am Friday: 7.00am Saturday Vigil: 5.00 pm Sunday: 10.00am

# St Michael's Church, Kaleen

9.30 am Thursday 9.30am Tuesday: Sunday: 8.00 am & 5:30 pm

# **Reconciliation-Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday: 4.00 - 4.45 pm, St Monica's 4.30 - 5.15 pm, St Michael's Sunday:

# Rosary

4.30 pm, St Monica's Chapel Tuesday 5.00 pm, St Michael's Sunday

(Join Zoom Rosary at 4 pm every Wednesday & Friday Meeting No: 697 896 1059, Password: 8Py80J)

# Legion of Mary

6:00 pm, St Monica's Wednesday

Novena Devotion to O.L. of Perpetual Succour 8.00 pm, St Michael's Thursday

### El Shaddai Prayer Group

2nd & 4th Saturday of each month Saturday

12.30pm to 5.00 pm. St Michael's

### Men Alive

Thursday

7.00pm, St Monica's

# **Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals**

Contact Fr. Mick Mac Andrew on 0419 010 870

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

# **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk.

that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

# **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails. and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

In Thanksgiving and Special Intentions: Louise Zinkel, Sophy Jacob, Jacqui Poliquit, For Peace & Justice in all the world, For the suffering people of Gaza

Anniversaries and Remembrances: Mirko Kokic, Anna Le Thi Bich Dung, Gisela Joris Yenny, Florentius Sunardi

Recently Deceased: Matthew Dwyer (father of Peter and Linda. grandfather of Liz)

Sick: Sophy Jacob, Carmel Ford, Helen, Joseph Cretni, Francis Kutty, Shelley Knoke, Colin Kish, Brenden Mooney, Nina Wood, Steven Whiting, Renato Penaloza, Baby Maisie, Marazelle, Michael Hanley, Elaine Drayson, Mary Murugesan, Vimala Mahalingam, Bong, Rose Rajer, Clare Menezes, Tricia Mitchell, Tony Marker, Sarah Driscoll, Caitlin, Royce Miosge, Hilaria Bathan, Francis Politano, Tony Murdoch

# **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B**

THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE.

Our belief in the teachings and resurrection of Jesus prompts us to be a part of the Christian community. In

turn, our experience of Christian community strengthens our faith. It was only when Thomas was with the other disciples that he met the risen Christ and came to believe in him. It is a simple truth that faith builds community and community builds faith.



This weekend we welcome Kelsey Reyes & Kaihran Taylor into our faith community through the waters of Baptism. May God's love and blessings be upon them on their Baptism day and always.

### Thank You

To all who have helped us to prepare for Easter by way of attending Masses, decorating our churches, musicians and singers, acolytes, readers, ministers of Holy Communion, welcomers, Mass co-ordinators, church cleaners, our office staff and grounds people. Together you have helped us commemorate the Lord's death and celebrate his Resurrection- Fr Mick.

# Change to Mass & Reconciliation Times, St. Monica's

The Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Monica's will commence at 5 pm as from 7 April due to the end of daylight saving. Reconciliation will be available 4:00pm to 4:45pm.

### Stations of the Resurrection Friday evenings 7:00pm

During Lent we had Stations of the Cross, now we have Stations of the Resurrection to keep Eastertide in focus.

The first session, this Friday, at St Monica's Evatt.

### SYNOD on SYNODALITY

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April is an important date for our Parish. We will have an afternoon meeting 2pm-3:30pm at St Monica's Meeting Room and then in the evening 7:00-8:30pm, again at St Monica's Meeting Room to add our voices to the second session of the Synod, occurring at the Vatican in October this year. The meetings will use the same method of engagement that the Synod delegates will use – a Conversation in the Spirit. No prior knowledge of the Synod process or the deliberations from last October are necessary. Come along and add your voice to the process.

# **Project Compassion**

Thank you for the many sacrifices you made during Lent to support Project Compassion. It is now time to bring in your offerings.

# Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St Monica's Church, Evatt - Wednesdays 6-7 pm

### For those who wish to contribute to Parish Finances;

BSB: 062 786 Account No: 00029453

Account Name: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Reference: [ your name ]

# Pope Francis - Justice

Here we are at the second of the cardinal virtues: today will talke about *iustice*. It is the quintessential social virtue. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines it as "the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbour" (no. 1807). This is justice. Often, when justice is mentioned, the motto that represents it is also quoted: "unicuique suum" - that is, "to each his own". It is the virtue of law, that seeks to regulate the relations between people equitably.

It is represented allegorically by the scales, because it aims to "even the score" between people, especially when they risk being distorted by some imbalance. Its purpose is that in society, everyone is treated in accordance with the dignity proper to them. But already the ancient masters taught that for this, other virtuous attitudes are necessary, such as benevolence, respect, gratitude, affability, and honesty: virtues that contribute to a good coexistence between people. Justice is a virtue for good coexistence between people. We all understand how justice is fundamental for peaceful coexistence in society: a world without laws respecting rights would be a world in which it is impossible to live: it would

resemble a jungle. Without justice, there is no peace. Without justice, there is no peace. Indeed, if justice is not respected, conflicts arise. Without justice, the law of the prevalence of the strong over the weak is entrenched, and this is not just. But justice is a virtue that acts on both a large and small scale: it regards not only the courtroom, but also the ethics that characterize our daily lives. It establishes sincere relations with others: it realizes the precept of the Gospel, according to which Christian speech is "simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil" (Mt 5:37). Half-truths, double-talk intended to deceive one's neighbour, the reticence that conceals true intentions, are not attitudes in keeping with justice. The righteous person is upright, simple and straightforward; he does not wear masks, he presents himself for what he is, he speaks the truth. The words "thank you" are often found on his lips: he knows that no matter how generous we strive to be, we always remain indebted to our neighbour. If we love, it is also because we have been loved first. Full text www.vatican.va/audiences/english

Vocations Dinner at Gungahlin Presbytery, 11 April, 6pm For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To rsvp please contact vocations director Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au 0414 523 036.

The Roundtables, Moments of Encounter, 18 April, 4:30pm Join others from across the Archdiocese for a time of prayerful dialogue in the spirit of synodality on the realities and process of Sacramental Initiation in the life of our Church. For more information: cgevangelisation.org.au/roundtables

Youth Group, 28 April, St John the Apostle Parish Centre Young Christian students who are in years 7-12 are invited for this Youth Group. Next meeting will be held on 28 April at St John the Apostle Parish Centre from 7:00pm to 9:00pm (after the 6:00pm Mass). For more information contact the Parish Office: kippax@cg.org.au

### Marriage Preparation Courses, April 9

Engaged couples marrying before July need to register now for either: FOCCUS - Tuseday, 9th April, 5:00pm-9:00pm plus a private follow up session at Marymead CatholicCare. Engaged Encounter - Sydney, Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 of May. SmartLoving - online, 9 lessons, flexible timing. For more info: www.marriagefamily.org.au or contact Helena on 0405 440 463.

# Parish Sacramental Program 2024

2024 Sacramental Program - for students who are baptised and will be in years 4-6 in 2024.

# School of Religion (SOR)

Preparation classes for the Sacraments are held on Tuesdays from 6-7pm in the meeting room in St Monica's Church, Evatt. For information regarding the 2024 Sacramental Program, please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator.

Sacrament of First Communion - will be celebrated across the four Sunday Parish Masses on the weekend of 15 and 16 June.

Sacrament of Confirmation - will be celebrated in term 3 on 17,18, & 19 September.

### For further information regarding the Sacramental

**Program** – please contact the Sacramental Program Coordinator at sc.belconnennorth@cg.org.au or check the parish website for updates at www.cg.org.au/ belconnennorth

# **ROSTERS 13-14 April 2024**

St Monica's 6.00pm 10.00am Acolyte Garry Compton Neill Cox Altar Servers Volunteer Volunteer Kathy Compton Leon Sadkowsky Readers Clair Devoy Gabrielle Sullivan Music FREE **Eclectics** Dolores Schneider Michael Holohan Warden Michaella & Marie, Mark & Jackie **Church Cleaning Altar Society** Suzy Graic & Kelly Grzywacz John, Maureen. Daniel Counters

<u>8.00am</u>

Mass Coordinator Acolyte Readers Annett Jose **Eucharistic** Minister **Church Cleaning** Sanctuary Linen

St Michael's

Banking

Sue Collins Ted Smith Marie Seabrook

Livia Brown

TC Nguyen Kevin Aoun Rachel Blackwell Margaret Dudfield

5.30pm

Cynthia Parayiwa

Canberra El Shaddai Prayer Group Margaret Dudfield Doug Widdup & Rod Dudfield

**Next Week's Readings** 

Third Sunday of Easter, Year B

Acts 3:13-15. 17-19: 1 Jn 2:1-5: Lk 24:35-48