

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish (North Belconnen)



Delay not, O Blessed Lady, to help me whenever I call on Thee, for, in all my needs, in all my temptations I shall never cease to call on Thee, ever repeating Thy sacred name, Mary, Mary.

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Intercede for me, dear St. Monica, that God may favourably hear my plea and grant me the grace to accept His Will in all things.
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.



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 and present.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A 10th of May 2026

PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS

The early Christian community could not remain as an enclosed, self-contained group in Jerusalem. Its members felt impelled by Christ to bring the Good News to Samaria and then to the ends of the earth. Christians in every age are called to be fully involved in the life and joys and pains of the world. At times this can be difficult but the Spirit of God is always with us to help us.

Entrance Antiphon: (cf. Isa 48:20)

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: (Jn 14:15-16)

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father, and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Next Week's Readings: 17th of May 2026

The Ascension of the Lord, Year A
 I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS
 Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

A prayer for Mother's Day

Loving Father, we thank You for the gifts of mothers and all those who mother us. You have entrusted them with the care of life, the teaching of faith, and the quiet work of love each day.

Bless them all with strength and patience, wisdom and peace. When they are tired, renew them. When they are worried, comfort them. When they feel unseen, remind them that their love reflects Your own.

Guide them in caring with kindness, courage and compassion. Help them to know the joy of Your presence in both the ordinary and difficult moments of life.

We pray especially for those who are struggling, for those who grieve, and for those who carry heavy burdens in silence. Surround them with Your healing and hope.

May Mary, the Mother of Jesus, watch over all mothers, and those with a mothering role, and pray for them always. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

No 7am Friday Mass during Eastertide

There will be no 7am Friday Mass at St Monica's between Easter Sunday and Pentecost. There will be two Friday Stations of the Resurrection Masses instead.

Friday Stations of the Resurrection

The Stations of the Resurrection inside Mass on the Fridays between Easter Sunday and Pentecost: 9.30am at St Michael's, Kaleen and 6pm at St Monica's, Evatt.



How great is the Rosary prayer

Our Lady of Fatima asked us to pray the Rosary daily. May is the month of the Rosary. Join the daily 8.30pm Rosary on Zoom (Zoom Meeting no. 697 896 1059, Password 8Py80J). The Rosary is also prayed via Zoom at 4pm on Wednesday and Fridays, and on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays in our Churches (see the 'Masses and More' box to the right for times).

Do you, or someone you know, wish to be Baptised, complete the Sacraments, or join the Catholic Church?

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) program has recommenced. See Fr Mick or email him at mick.macandrew@cg.org.au.

What would you like to learn more about?

If you have specific topics you'd like to hear about, or questions that you would like answered, please let us know at belconnennorth@cg.org.au. We can then consider them for Bulletin notices or *Pause for Thought: Thinking Catholic* articles.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea: St Monica's Church on the 23rd and 24th of May

Kelly Grzywacz will be hosting Australia's Biggest Morning Tea events after the 6pm Mass on Saturday the 23rd of May and the 10am Mass on Sunday the 24th of May. Please join us in the Church Meeting Room for a cuppa and a chat and help raise some much needed funds for those impacted by cancer. We have all been touched by this in some way. If you can't attend but would like to donate please go to Kelly's page via the QR code of go to biggestmorningtea.com.au and search in the 'Find a friend' search bar for Kelly Grzywacz.



ALIVE: BBQ and Praise Night for Young Adults on Thursday the 21st of May

ALIVE invites all young adults to join them for a BBQ and praise night at 6pm on Thursday the 21st of May at ACU Signadou Chapel, Ground Level, Building 302, 223 Antill Street Watson. Whether you're seeking renewal, encouragement, or simply a moment to pause and encounter God, this night is for you. For any enquiries, please contact Ethan on 0413 545 808.

Pentecost Eve Night of Worship on Saturday the 23rd of May at Holy Spirit Parish, Amaroo

Holy Spirit Parish Amaroo invites you to a special Pentecost Eve Night of Worship from 7pm to 8.30pm on Saturday the 23rd of May. Internationally recognised worship artist Gen Bryant, together with Beth Doherty, Special Events Choir Director, will lead an evening of music, prayer and celebration for the parish feast day and the birthday of the Church. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided afterwards. Use the QR code or go to www.trybooking.com/DLPRF to register.



Women's Vocations Discernment Dinner on Thursday the 4th of June

For women between the ages of 20 and 40 interested in discerning a call to religious life. Presenter will be Kate Cleary about the mission at *The Farm* in Galong. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions and prayer. To RSVP please contact Kate on 0404 112 428 or Vocations Director Fr Emil at emil.milat@cg.org.au or on 0414 523 036.

The Church, pilgrim in history towards the heavenly homeland: Pope Leo's General Audience on Wednesday the 6th of May [Extract]

'Brothers and sisters,...The Church is God's people journeying through history, which has the Kingdom of God as the purpose of all her action. Jesus initiated the Church precisely by proclaiming this Kingdom of love, justice and peace. We are therefore called to consider the community and cosmic dimension of salvation in Christ and to turn our eyes to this final horizon, to measure and evaluate everything from this perspective.

The Church lives in history in the service of the coming of the Kingdom of God in the world. She proclaims the words of this promise to all and always; she receives a pledge of it in the celebration of the Sacraments, particularly the Eucharist; she puts its logic into practice and experiences it in relationships of love and service. Furthermore, she knows that she is the place and the means where union with Christ is realised "more closely", whilst at the same time recognising that salvation can be bestowed by God in the Holy Spirit even beyond her visible boundaries...

As the sign and sacrament of the Kingdom, the Church is the pilgrim people of God on earth who, drawing precisely on the final promise, reads and interprets the dynamics of history through the Gospel, denouncing evil in all its forms and proclaiming, in word and deed, the salvation that Christ wishes to bring about for all humanity and His Kingdom of justice, love and peace. The Church, therefore, does not proclaim herself; on the contrary, everything within her must point to salvation in Christ...

For the full transcript use the QR code or go to Vatican.va, Magisterium, Audiences.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Pre-School to Year 12 who do not go to Catholic Schools. 6-7pm on Tuesday nights during School terms at St Monica's Church Meeting Room. \$30 per child/teen per year.. Registration is through Qkr! (Search for the Parish) or email the Parish Office.

PRAYER REQUESTS

In Thanksgiving and Special Intentions: Florida and Marvin Serrano; Mary Schubert; Jaqui Lloyd; Masayuki Ho; Zoe Trivino; Miguel Zatarain; Arne Pouquitt.

Recently Deceased: Alexandra; Sr Patricia Mary Bell LCM; Jim Littlelor MSC, Frances McArdle; Kumanjayi Little Baby; Patricia McNamara; Carlo Borromeo; Louise Bell; Anna Thamboo; Kam Moon; George Edwards; Jim Lee.

Anniversaries and Remembrances: Amy Lobo, Ruth Glover; Rachel Jones; Margot Prout; Maria Evans; Veronica Lim Sik Ing; Imelda Cahill; Jean & Cliff Seabrook; Harold & Mavis Hewish; Terry Williams; Harry & Lilly Hill; Bob & Molly Dean; Jim Hill; Zacarias Patajo; Avelino Patajo; Dario and Aldo Dessi; Brenden Mooney; Marcello Cocco; Paolo Lombardini; Stan and Mary Murugesan; Mirko Kokic; Anna Le Thi Bich Dung; Florentius Sunardi; Gisela Joris Yenny.

Sick: Mary Young; Nancy Librando; Jeff Jeremiah; Peter Hanlon; Samantha Thirkettle; John Kennedy; Anne Lewis; Sophy Jacob; Anna Blackwell; Sarah Morris; Heno Launa; Katia Banac; Pauline Vatauvuk; Celine Matthews; Celine Fernandez; Jeanette Howlett; Bernard Star; Vivian Calma; Fr. Michael Mullen; Carol Batten; Baby Lucia Beecher; Kerry Raftery; Tony Bui; Russell Fitzgerald; Ivana Deleva; Steve Bilich; Effie de Lopez; Sophy Jacob; Maureen Donoghoe; Jan Gardner; Maisie; Louise Farrelly; Lucia Dessi; Carolyn Pritchard; Rithu Dany; Master Kaihran Taylor; Leena Culas; Carmel Ford; Joseph Cretni; Shelley Knoke; Colin Kish; Nina Wood; Steven Whiting; Rose Rajer; Tricia; Vimala Mahalingam; Bong; Mitchell; Tony Marker; Sarah Driscoll; Royce Miosge; Francis Politano; Tony Murdoch.

MASSES AND MORE

Tuesday: 9.30am St Michael's, Kaleen

Wednesday: 9.30am St Monica's, Evatt

Thursday: 9.30am, St Michael's, Kaleen

Friday: usually 7am St Monica's but during Eastertide (until Pentecost) we celebrate at 9.30am, St Michael's, Kaleen, and 6pm, St Monica's, Evatt

Saturday: 9.30am St Michael's, Kaleen

Saturday Vigil: 5pm St Monica's, Evatt

(The Saturday Vigil is 6pm during Daylight Saving)

Sunday: 8am, St Michael's, Kaleen

10am, St Monica's, Evatt

5.30pm, St Michael's, Kaleen

Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

4.00 - 4.45 pm Saturday, St Monica's

(5pm to 5.45pm during Daylight Saving)

4.30 - 5.15 pm Sunday, St Michael's

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

8.45 - 9.30am Wednesday, St Monica's

6.30pm Thursday, St Monica's

Rosary

4.30 pm Tuesday, St Monica's Chapel

9.00 am Saturday, St Michael's

5 pm Sunday, St Michael's

(Zoom Rosary at 4 pm every Wednesday & Friday or nightly at 8:30pm. Meeting No: 697 896 1059, Password: 8Py80J)

Legion of Mary 6:15 pm Wednesday, St Monica's

Novena Devotion to O.L. of Perpetual Succour

7.00pm Thursday, St Michael's

El Shaddai Prayer Group

2nd & 4th Saturday of each month

12.30pm to 5.00 pm, St Michael's

Men Alive 7.00pm Thursday, St Monica's

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

Contact Fr. Mick Mac Andrew on 0419 010 870

ROSTERS 16th and 17th of May 2026

St Monica's	5.00pm	10.00am
Acolyte	Gavan Smith	Frank Brassil
Altar Servers	Ellie Thomas	Chelsea Todd
Readers	Maryanne Gore	Angela Cornell
	Franklin Soriano	Gill Watters
		Arthur and Louise
Music		Mike Devoy
Warden	Franklin Sibayan	
Church Cleaning	Nahon Family	
Altar Society	Maree Mitchell, Maryanne Gore	
Counters	Marian Irvine, VOLUNTEER	
St Michael's	8.00am	5.30pm
Mass Coordinator	Sue Collins	VOLUNTEER
Acolyte	Bobby Goodwin	Tanya Butler
Readers	Pat McArthur	Louise Amos
	Tony McArthur	Seven Tieupakt
Church Cleaning	Neil Seabrook, Marie Seabrook,	
	Kevin Heindl, Maree Corkran,	
	Glen Matthews	
Sanctuary Linen	Maree Corkran	
Banking	Luciana Ciaccia, Clyde Robins	

Parish Safeguarding Commitment: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking. **Communicating Concerns:** Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have regarding safeguarding by emailing Fr Mick, Safeguarding Volunteers or the Parish Office.