

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - YEAR B

### FIRST READING – Isaiah 55: 1-11

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;  
though you have no money, come!  
Buy corn without money, and eat,  
and, at no cost, wine and milk.  
Why spend money on what is not bread,  
your wages on what fails to satisfy?  
Listen, listen to me, and you will have good things to  
eat and rich food to enjoy.  
Pay attention, come to me;  
listen, and your soul will live.  
With you I will make an everlasting covenant  
out of the favours promised to David.  
See, I have made of you a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and a master of the nations.  
See, you will summon a nation you never knew,  
those unknown will come hurrying to you,  
for the sake of the Lord your God,  
of the Holy One of Israel who will glorify you.  
Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,  
call to him while he is still near.  
Let the wicked man abandon his way,  
the evil man his thoughts.  
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on  
him, to our God who is rich in forgiving;  
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks.  
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth  
as my ways are above your ways,  
my thoughts above your thoughts.  
Yes, as the rain and the snow come down from the  
heavens and do not return without watering the  
earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide  
seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the  
word that goes from my mouth does not return to  
me empty, without carrying out my will and  
succeeding in what it was sent to do.

#### ■ The word of the Lord

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

#### R. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation

Truly, God is my salvation,  
I trust, I shall not fear.  
For the Lord is my strength, my song,  
he became my saviour.  
With joy you will draw water  
from the wells of salvation. R.

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!  
Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!  
Declare the greatness of his name. R.

Sing a psalm to the Lord  
for he has done glorious deeds,  
make them know to all the earth!  
People of Zion, sing and shout for joy  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. R.

### SECOND READING – John 5: 1-9

#### A reading from the first letter of St. John

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ  
has been begotten by God;  
and whoever loves the Father that begot him  
loves the child whom he begets.  
We can be sure that we love God's children.  
if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us;  
this is what loving God is –  
keeping his commandments;  
and his commandments are not difficult,  
because anyone who has been begotten by God;  
has already overcome the world;  
this is the victory over the world—our faith.  
Who can overcome the world?  
Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God:  
Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,  
not with water only,  
But with water and blood;  
with the Spirit as another witness –  
since the Spirit is the truth –  
so that there are three witnesses,  
the Spirit, the water and the blood,  
and all three of them agree.  
We accept the testimony of human witnesses,  
but God's testimony is much greater,  
and this is God's testimony, given as evidence for his Son.

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### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

John saw Jesus approaching him, and said:  
This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the  
world.

#### Alleluia!

### GOSPEL – Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said,  
'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful  
that I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap  
of his sandals. I have baptized you with water, but he will  
baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

It was at this time that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee  
and was baptized in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he  
come up out of the water than he saw the heavens torn apart  
and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice  
came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour  
rests on you.'

#### ■ The Gospel of the Lord

# ST. KEVIN'S PARISH HAMPTON PARK

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
(Year B)



9th & 10th January 2021

## PARISH CENTRE

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## OFFICE HOURS

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PARISH SECRETARIES : Mrs. Michelle Rimmelzwaan  
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## SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

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## Parish Website

<https://stkevins.org.au/>

'Support us' page

<https://stkevins.org.au/support-us/>

## YouTube Channel

<https://youtu.be/k-gBOvfy-I0>

You can now follow us on Facebook too!

## SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Masses:

5.00 pm & 7.00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday & Tuesday: 9:15am

Wednesday: 7:00pm (followed by Novena to  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

Thursday & Friday: 9.15am

## THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

**In Thanksgiving:** Vincent & Rozeta Ambrose, Leah,  
Emma & Beth Xavier, Althea & Dominic Xavier

**For the sick:** John Britto (3), Solange & Danielle,

**For those who have died recently:** Horace Faife,  
Dawn Jayawardene

**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Zita & Joseph Rogers

## ROSTERS FOR 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021

READERS: Saturday 5.00pm – Sherin, Serena, Indira

7.00pm – Paulita Sunita, Christobelle

Sunday 9.00am – Michael, Ben, Patricia

11.00am – Anita, Isabella G, Pam G

6.00pm – Anne, Danielle, Lleyton

## EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday 5.00pm – Tessy, Nancy, Keith, Candice, Rozeta

7.00pm – Benita, Michelle Gerard, Nadine, Salome

Sunday 9.00am – Abey, Aloysius, Maria, Monique, Noreen

11.00am – Pam G, Lorna, Sherine, Philomena, Mary D

6.00pm – George, Mirtza, Jude, Sumith, Anne

## The Baptism of the Lord

Baptisms celebrated in St. Kevin's Parish in 2020: 42

## One more thank you – this one is for you – St. Kevin's Parishioners!

"Always, giving thanks to God the Father for everything."  
Dear Friends, I have found these words, from St. Paul's  
letter to Ephesians in the chapter 5: 20a, encouraging me  
to give thanks to God for everything, which He has given  
to me.

And also, I'd like to take this opportunity to say "Good  
Bye" and "Thank You" to each and every one of you for  
what you have done for me. The ways you have embraced  
me has been a lovely, wonderful support and a great  
blessing. My deep, deep gratitude to all of you for your  
love and friendship for my last two years in this St. Kevin's  
Parish Community.

A special appreciation must be made to Fr. Desmond J  
Moloney, our Parish Priest and Rev. Dr. Graeme Pender;  
Indrani Guinan and Michelle Rimmelzwaan, our Parish  
Secretaries, for your support and friendship during my  
time here.

Finally, as I'll be taking on leave to St. Andrew's Parish in  
Werribee on Wednesday January 13th I'd like to ask you  
kindly to continue keeping me in your prayers, and also be  
assured of my continuing prayers for you and your loved  
ones always.

May the Heavenly God always hold you in His love!

With a grateful heart,

*Fr. Dong Tran* Assistant Priest

## Year of St. Joseph

Devotion to St. Joseph is one of the choicest graces that  
God can give to a soul, for it is tantamount to revealing  
the entire treasury of our Lord's graces. When God wishes  
to raise a soul to greater heights, he unites it to St Joseph  
by giving it a strong love for the good saint.

-St Peter Julian Eymard

## Proposed Bill

Archbishop Peter Comensoli draws our attention to  
certain activity being undertaken with regard to the  
Change or Suppression (Conversion) Practices Prohibition  
Bill 2020. The Archbishop finds this proposed legislation  
troubling. He foresees that this issue will be before us  
over the next few months, and that its long-term  
consequences are of great concern. More information  
will follow.