St Kevin's Parish

Hampton Park

Pentecost Sunday - Year B

19th May 2024



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Office Hours:

Tue to Fri 9.15am - 1:15pm

Parish Website

https://stkevins.org.au/ Support us' page.

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

Parish Priest: Fr. Fabian Smith
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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Saturday – **9:15am**

Every Wednesday – 7:00pm Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Masses:

Saturday: 05:00pm & 07:00pm **Sunday:** 09:00am,11:00am & 06:00pm

Priest 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 97992108, email the Parish Office or drop off the mass intention envelope in the postal slot in the Parish Office door.



News from Fr Fabian

 Since the governance of schools has shifted from the Parish Priest to MACS, our keying system needed to reflect the change.

The Church and Parish office have a new keying system. The costs of the new system will be shared by the Parish and St. Kevin's School.

If you have a key to the Church issued to you, please contact the Parish Office to return your old key and receive the new key.

• Save the date – Parish Retreat – The Parish Family retreat will be held from 4th to 7th July 2024. Members of the Missionaries of God's Love (MGL) congregation will lead and animate the retreat.

Junior Legion of Mary

The Senior Legion of Mary of St Kevin's have started a junior Legion Praesidium and warmly invite children aged 7 - 17 to join. The Juniors meet every Monday from 5pm - 6pm in the church foyer. If you would like to know more about either the Senior or Junior Legion, please contact: Nancy 0421 790 194/Sita 0434 010 580

Altar Servers Training

The next altar servers training will be held on Sunday 19th May from 3pm - 4.30pm.

Fiat - A Weekend in Prayer

The Archdiocese of Melbourne is promoting a weekend of prayer called Fiat. To launch the weekend, there will be prayers on Friday 31st May at St Augustine's Church (Bourke St) from 5-9 pm. St Kevin's Youth have been asked to lead an hour of prayer for the event which will be from 8 pm to 9 pm. We welcome all parishioners to join us for this hour of prayer.

St Kevin's Parish Feast – 9th June 2024

The Social Group is organising lunch for the Parish after the 11am mass on Sunday, 9th June 2024, when we will be celebrating the feast of St Kevin.

Please contact the following community leaders if you would like to donate food. Their details are below:

South African - Mary H - 041856331

Filipino - Gina - 0425809103

Mauritian-Patricia - 0408054221

Samoan - Sita - 0434010580

Sri Lankan - Sharon Fernando- 0432480812

Indian - Carol -0425888902

Desserts - Danielle - 0422680957

We are looking for volunteers from other communities to lead the organisation of food. If you can help, please contact Linda Franklin 0469320445 or Ryan Martin 0429913434. We are also looking for donations of other food items like desserts, pizza, party pies etc. and cash donations. If you would like to donate, please put your name on the clipboards in the foyer.

Sale of Bethlehem olive wood items this weekend

On the 18th & 19th of May there will be handcrafted olivewood biblical items for sale. These items are hand crafted in Bethlehem, the Holy Land by the Catholic families there. Any purchase will help support the Catholic community in the Holy Land and improve their livelihood and support maintaining the Holy sites there.

ROSTERS for 25th & 26th May

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

CHURCH CLEANERS

Team 5: Tyrone, Tyronie, Emeli, Pelenato

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COUNTERS

Team 4: Gerard, Kaye, Julz, Margaret, Ashley, Linda

Last Weekend's Collection

Envelopes: \$5094.25 **Unpledged:** \$1508.60 **Presbytery:** \$1941.45

Thank you!

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving:

Robert, Andrea, Eloy and Elton

Malowney
Nathan D'Almeida

Ashley and Linda Franklin
The Rodrigues Family

Brianna Eustace Rodricks Family Rodrigues Family

For those who are sick:

Ligia Boavida

For those who have died recently:

Brenda Maria Jennings

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Maria Teresa Kalau Paskoela Boavida Nikita Araujo Boavida Dorothy and Martin Braz Placida and Johnson Gomes

Mr & Mrs T.J Starr Joseph Malowney Lourdes, Emeliano Mante Ann and Mervyn Nipps

Angela Coutinho

Marcus and Stella Pereira

Patricia Hall Domingo Templora Enrique Sobrebena Diana Machaya

Shirley Machaya Fredrick Machaya

Hazel Lazarus

Violet Isaacson

Oswald Francis

Eric Thacker

Joachim D'Silva Maria D'Silva

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 this week

Monday, 20th May: Mary, Mother of the Church

Tuesday, 21st May: St Christopher of Magallanes & Companions

Wednesday, 22nd May: St Rita of Cascia Friday, 24th May: Our Lady, Help of Christians

Saturday, 25th May: St Bede the Venerable, St Gregory VII, St Mary Magdalene de Pazzi

Support our Parish

Let us remember those in our community who need our support and assistance. The Parish has set up a dedicated bank account into which contributions can be made towards those in need. The bank account details are: **Account name**: St Kevin's Special Needs Account

BSB: 083 347

Account number: 897 567 262

Parishioners who are in need, please see Fr Fabian for assistance.

Social Group – fundraising update – A very big thank you to each one of our altar servers who worked so well to organise a lovely Mother's Day brunch. Thank you to all our parishioners for your ongoing support of our fundraising efforts towards the church roof repairs. The Social Group received an additional \$350 this week from the sale of Indian food by the Kerala community at the 6pm mass on 14th April as well as an additional cash donation.

Name of Event	Profit made
Christmas Carols 2023 (Incl. Raffle)	2289.97
Sausage Sizzle	2108.00
Valentines Dance	8912.58
Indian Food Sale	8165.13
Indian Food Sale (post)	636.00
South Indian Breakfast	2875.76
Mother's Day brunch	2772.71
Grand Total	27,760.15

Corpus Christi Feast

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The youth are organising a bus for parishioners to attend the Corpus Christi celebrations on SUNDAY 2nd June 2024

11:40am Bus departing St Kevin's Church

1.00pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church Rathdowne St & Pelham St, Carlton

2.30pm Procession
From Sacred Heart Church to St Patrick's Cathedral

4:00pm Arrival at St Patrick's Cathedral Vespers and Benediction

Return to St Kevin's by 6:30pm Cost \$20* Pending numbers Sign up sheets available after weekend Masses or

> Contact Damian: 0478 955 297 Danielle: 0422 680 957

The Mass – The Gospel of St Mark Part I

External Evidence of Authorship

We have clear evidence, both external and internal, that the Second Gospel is the work of a single author, Mark, that it faithfully reproduces the oral catechesis of St Peter and should, therefore, be accepted as a reliable source. The tradition of the early Church is unanimous in declaring that Mark, the disciple and interpreter of St Peter, was the author of this Gospel.

Evidence of this tradition is found in the explicit assertions of the Fathers and ecclesiastical writers.

The oldest surviving testimony to Marcan authorship is that of Papias, who wrote a work entitled *Expositions of the Oracles of the Lord* about AD 125. He writes: "And this the Elder used to say: Mark, having been the interpreter of Peter, wrote accurately, though not in order, all that he remembered of the things said or done by the Lord. For he had neither heard the Lord nor been his follower, but afterwards, as I said, he was the follower of Peter, who gave his instructions as circumstances demanded, but not as one giving an orderly account of the words of the Lord. So that Mark was not at fault in writing certain things as he remembered them. For he was concerned with only one thing, not to omit any of the things he had heard, and not to record any untruth in regard to them."

Papias here quotes the statement of an Elder (presbyter) called John. Whether the Elder was John the Apostle or, as many authors hold, a disciple who had known the Apostles, his statement takes us back to the first century and to the contemporaries of Mark. The main points of the passage are that Mark, who was a disciple and interpreter of Peter, put the oral catechesis of Peter into writing, and that the lack of "order" in the work was due to its dependence on Peter's preaching.

Apparently, some had found fault with Mark's work because it lacked "order"; probably it was being compared unfavourably with the Gospel of Matthew in which the material is arranged in a systematic, logical order. In reply to this criticism, Papias points to the fact that Mark's purpose in writing was simply to reproduce faithfully the teaching of Peter.

St Justin, who wrote in Rome about AD 150, also makes clear his conviction that Mark's Gospel depends on Peter, though he does not name the author. Dealing with the change of Simon's name to Peter and the title "Boanerges" given to James and John, he gives the Memoirs of Peter as the source for these points. The only passage in which these matters are mentioned together is Mark 3:16f. No other Evangelist tells us that the sons of Zebedee were called "Boanerges".

Clement of Alexandria writes: "When Peter had publicly preached the word in Rome and promulgated the Gospel under the inspiration of the Spirit, many of those who were there besought Mark, as one who had long been a companion of Peter and remembered his words, to write down what he had said. Mark did this and gave the Gospel to those who had asked for it. When Peter learned of it he did nothing either to hinder or to encourage it"

Internal Evidence

When we turn to the Gospel itself we find many features which confirm the external testimony. The general scheme of the Gospel, beginning with the mission of John the Baptist and continuing till the Ascension, corresponds with Peter's address at the reception of the Gentile Cornelius into the Church (Acts 10:34-43), and with the conditions Peter laid down when a successor to Judas was appointed (Acts 1:22).

It is noteworthy that Peter stands out from the group of disciples who were in close touch with Christ. He is mentioned by name on four occasions (1:36, 11:21; 13:3; 16:7), when the other Synoptics do not mention him; Peter is first in the list of the Apostles, 3:16, and first of the three who were present at the raising of the daughter of Jairus, 5:37, at the Transfiguration, 9:2, and at the Agony, 74:33; after the Resurrection he is mentioned specially by the angel in the instructions given to the women, 16:7.

There is nothing, however, to suggest that the author wished to present Peter in a particularly favourable light. On the contrary, we are told of the stern rebuke he received when he protested against the prediction that Christ should suffer, 8:33; his denials of Christ are recorded faithfully, 14:66-72, but there is no mention of his walking on the waters, of the praise he received from Christ when he was promised the Primacy, or of the incident of the coin with which to pay the temple-tax for Jesus and Peter. These latter incidents did particular honour to Peter, and their omission from Mark's Gospel is to be explained by the fact that Peter, in his humility, did not dwell on them in his preaching.

Mark's narrative is direct, simple and graphic, but these qualities cannot be attributed to his literary skill. His style lacks variety and his vocabulary is limited; redundancies of expression and lack of grammatical sequence suggest everyday speech rather than art.

Time of Composition

There is nothing in Mark's Gospel to indicate that Jerusalem had been destroyed (which occurred in AD 70), or even that the revolt of AD 66, which led to the final catastrophe, had begun when the Gospel was written. On the contrary, the manner of reference to the "loaves of proposition", 2:26, and, in particular, certain expressions in the eschatological discourse, chapter 13, clearly imply that the city and Temple were still standing when Mark wrote.

Most critics nowadays favour the view that it was written in AD 53-63. It does not seem likely that Mark could have been the companion of Peter in Rome before c AD 53. Thus, the composition of the Gospel cannot be placed before that time, and the latest date is fixed by its relation to the Gospel of Luke. Modern critics agree with ancient tradition in maintaining that Mark's Gospel was written before the Third Gospel. Now Luke wrote his Gospel before Acts, which was composed towards the end of Paul's first Roman captivity, c AD 63.

Pentecost - Year B

1st Reading – Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - 103(104):1,24,29-31,34 Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches.

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created;

and you renew the face of the earth.

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord.

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel - John 15:26-27,16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: *All he tells you will be taken from what is mine*.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.