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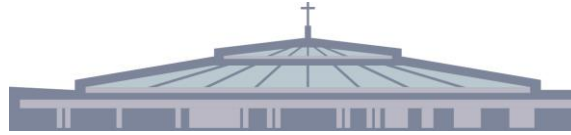
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Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri: 10:00am-3:00pm

Catholic Parish of St Kevin Eastwood



Weekend Masses: Vigil Sat 5:30pm,

Sun 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,

12noon (Chinese) & 6:00pm

Weekday Masses: Mon – Thurs. 7:30am, Fri 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 5:00-5:20pm

Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Rosary & Novena Prayers:

Tue 7:00-7:30pm (Holy Family Chapel)

The Nativity of the Lord – 25th December, 2017

Our Deceased: Fr. John Lyne, Geoff Clarke, Kwei Fong Fu, Young Hwan Ho, Yong Min Ho, Maria Hur, Felix Michael Beins, Cecile Beins, Jan Brayan, Mary Duck, Ces Regan, Richard and Joyce Dewi Tanudarta, Tony and Hanne Moujalli, Patrick and Wayne Whalan, Antonio Del Rosario, Mehzen Moujalli, Tony & Rose Isaac, Neville Hannon, Venantius Lo Wai Kai, Sapienza & Nicola Tedesco, Samuel Laguzza, Nunzia & Salvatore Fallico, William Brooks, Joan & Charles McMullen, Fr. Ephraem Chifley OP and Maisie Wockner

Our Sick: Robert Lauw, Derek Hogg, Sharma Cooray, Balbina M. Estanislao and Bernie Sagana

Upcoming Saints Feast Day: St John the Apostle, 27th December

Parish News:

- Thank you to all those who participated in our Christmas Liturgies and to all the parishioners and volunteers who have supported the parish this year.
- Fr Martin will be away from 26th December until the 2nd of January. We wish him well on his trip to India to conduct a wedding for two of our parishioners. We thank Frs Maurice Sullivan, Paul Mahony, Brian Wilson and John Alt for filling-in!
- The parish office will be on reduced hours over the Christmas and New Year period. Please call before you come in. Thank you!
- Calling all teens and youth interested in serving for Mass, especially the monthly Youth Mass, let's make our Church young! Register your names through the parish office or contact Anita on 0406 607 115.



Thought for the week:

"The shepherds did not go to Bethlehem seeking the birth of a great man, or a famous teacher, or a national hero. They were promised a savior." – H.H. Brown

CHRISTMAS REFLECTION 2017

Christmas definitely is meant to be a time of joy, peace and goodwill for all people irrespective if they see a religious dimension to this event or not. In times of war it was often the custom that the participants from both sides would put down their arms on Christmas Day and then resume their conflict the next day. It was also the case that if there was a Church close to their battle field they and their enemies would often attend and pray together!

The real message of Christmas is that we remember that God wanted to show the initiative that he loved the world so much that he was prepared to send his own son into the world as a vulnerable baby to be nurtured by 2 very humble people in Mary and Joseph. They in many ways provided the setting for Jesus to begin a memorable 3 year public ministry as an adult.

At Christmas we all have a number of options; we can ignore its real message and just treat it as another public holiday, we can give it a very superficial religious acknowledgment or we can allow it to be the means whereby we allow the light of the now risen Christ child to reveal within us something of God's peace and warmth. That we by instruments of sharing this with and for others could well be the best gift that we can give anyone at Christmas. - Fr Martin R Maunsell

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER – 31st Dec, 2017

(AV Projectionist 9am Mass – J Chung)

Mass	Senior Servers	Junior Servers	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Vigil	E Cowle	J Byrnes To be advised	R: J Murray C: J Murray	C Jackson, L Persia L Tripodi, A Khalil
7:30am	S Wehbe		R: Br M Murphy C: C Dixon	A Rahme, J Sun R & C Salvador
9:00am	D Lui	R Liong V Widjaya	R: R Tibbertsma C: R Debeck	J Chung, M Tallaridi C Campagna, J Graziano
10:30am	D M Duncan		R: A Hogan C: E Smallhorn	J Isaac, S Daramdasani A Pinto, Br J Guthrie
6:00pm	P Brierley	D Yeo S Wei	R: V Wei C: J Gibson	M Brierley, A Wei J Gibson, L Hart

(Counters: 2nd Jan – C Hogan, J Hanna, S Youssef)



2017 at a glance... This year at St Kevin's we had:

- 20 Baptisms
- 18 Funerals within the Church
- 1 Wedding
- 9 received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation
- 70 received the Sacrament of First Communion
- 42 received the Sacrament of Confirmation
- 9 were fully received into the Catholic Church
- 5 Social Outings