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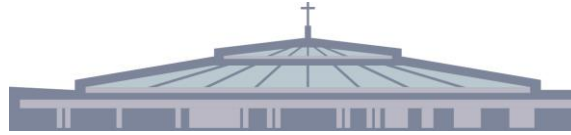
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Parish Office Hours

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 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph – 31st Dec, 2017

Our Deceased: Fr. John Lyne, Fr. John Haseler, Fr. Ephraem Chifley OP, 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, 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, Alan & Molly McNamara, Bill & Eileen Taylor, Amy Murry, Win Trainor, Jim Grainger, Katherine Corbett, Sandra Walsh, James Bertoldo, Maisie Wockner and Fallico & Tedesco Family

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

Upcoming Saints Feast Day: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, 1st January

Parish News:



Thought for the week: "Every effort to make society sensitive to the importance of the family is a great service to humanity." – St. Pope John Paul II

THE SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW

There are a few points that I would like to comment on concerning this new law that I hope if necessary may give some clarity.

The first point is to acknowledge that the majority of Australian adults have indicated that they approve that the legal definition of civil marriage for people of the same sex needed to be inclusive of them.

In saying this it is important to remember that this does not change how the Church understands marriage as a sacrament that needs to be between a man and a woman, is a sacred and permanent bond and is to be open to children. In 1975 the civil marriage act was changed with the introduction of what has become known as no fault divorce, meaning that the civil contract of marriage could be terminated within 12 months of it beginning. This new law at the time did not change the sacramental understanding of marriage.

The second point is that for a number of Catholic people the issue of same sex attraction for themselves, their children, grandchildren, friends and relatives is personal reality. For anyone to have this attraction is morally neutral and these people are entitled to always be treated with compassion and respect. That this may have not happened in the past is tragic and hopefully will not happen again.

The Church needs to be always inclusive in welcoming people of any ethnic background and sexual orientation. - Fr Martin R Maunsell

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER – 7th Jan, 2018

(AV Projectionist 9am Mass – D Muljadi)

Mass	Senior Servers	Junior Servers	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Vigil	A Ho	L Garcia L Garcia	R: M Wilkinson C: N Wilkinson	E & S Codsí F Reay, S Youssef
7:30am	B Patterson		R: C Gazzola C: N Gazzola	P Scully, E Wicks A Lawrence, R McNamara
9:00am	V Chapman	P Nassif A Arora	R: M Young C: P Ryan	N Ellis, R Harvie A Wahbe, C Tai
10:30am	N Silveira		R: G Hardtke C: A Maher	M Hardtke, M Velasco N & S Lobo
6:00pm	C Jonas	A Holowinski H Williams	R: S Polson C: N Williams	A & T Dowdell J Yih, E O'Regan

(Counters: 8th Jan – R Saez, R McNamara, P Tassone, E Bowen)

Call for Expression of Interest for our first Parish Social Outing for 2018:

3hr Scenic River Ferry Cruise

Experience and enjoy the pristine waterways of Port Hacking and the breathtaking views of the Royal National Park.

Meeting point will be at Eastwood station to catch the 8.30am train to Cronulla. Ferry departs from Cronulla at 10am. Costs and other details to follow. If interested, please write your details on the clipboard in the Church foyer. For more info about the cruise, visit: <http://cronullaferries.com.au/>

- We thank Frs Maurice Sullivan, Paul Mahony, Brian Wilson, John Alt, Kerry Bayada and Deacon Eddie for filling-in while Fr. Martin is away.
- No FOSK Morning Tea this January. FOSK resumes on 4th Feb 2018 in the Haseler Centre.
- The first Youth Group meeting for 2018 will commence on Sat 3rd Feb after the 5.30pm Mass. Young Adults group will meet on Sun 11th Feb after the 6pm Mass.

The Australian Catholic Youth Festival has been an outstanding success! There were over 20,000 registrations! The young people participated with joy and enthusiasm. The Festival was an extraordinary achievement for our Archdiocese. Thank you for your support and to all the priests, parishioners and volunteers who gave up their time and made it extra special!

CatholicCare's NDIS Therapy Team helps children 0-18 years living with a disability to access the therapy they need to reach their potential. They offer speech & occupational therapy and physiotherapy at locations across Sydney. For info call CCareline team on 13 18 19.