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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)

First Sunday of Advent – 3rd December, 2017

Our Deceased: Fr. John Lyne, Keith Scully, Geoff Clarke, Kwei Fong Fu, Young Hwan Ho, Yong Min Ho, Maria Hur, Felix Michael Beins, Cecile Beins, Jan Brayan, Mary Duck, Ces Regan, John Davidson, Richard and Joyce Dewi Tanudarta, Jason Eltobbagi, Robert Anderson, Joeseph Ayoub and Shamel Ayoub, and Nene Ruiz



Our Sick: Paul Phelan, Robert Lauw, Derek Hogg, Sharma Cooray, Balbina Mendoza Estanislao and Bernie Sagana

Upcoming Saints Feast Day: St. Ambrose, 7th December; Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 8th December

Parish News:

- **Please join us for our Parish Christmas Morning Tea in the hall this Sun, 3rd Dec** after the 9am Mass. All welcome. See you there!
- **Fr Mac’s Heavenly Puddings** will be on sale this weekend after Mass for only \$20! All proceeds raised will go towards the Australian Catholic Youth Festival.
- **Christmas Mass times** are posted on our website (on the heading, click on “Our Parish” then click on “Mass Times”).
- **New liturgical rosters** are now available for collection on the table outside the sacristy.
- **Youth Group will meet on Sat 16th Dec after the 5.30pm Mass.** Young Adults Group’s next meeting to be advised. ACYF Final Mass in the Domain on Sat 9th Dec 6.30pm.

Advent, a time of Preparation: Join us on a journey to strengthen our faith this Christmas!

- Wednesday, 6th Dec. 7.30pm, Fr. Martin Maunsell – “Reflecting on Infancy Narratives”
- Wednesday, 13th Dec. 7.30pm, Ms. Cathy Kennedy – “Advent: A Time of New Beginnings”
- Thursday, 21st Dec. 7.30 pm, Communal Rite of Reconciliation

“Thank you to everyone who helped me when I fell on the footpath last Sunday, especially the gentleman who lifted me to my feet. I am recovering slowly, with a lovely black eye! I will keep you all in my prayers”. - Gwen Hammond

Join us for “A Christmas Celebration 2017” at St. Mary’s Cathedral, Fri. 15th Dec, 11am. Featuring the St. Mary’s Cathedral Choir & the Orchestra of the Antipodes. Cost \$30. Travelling by train leaving at 10am. Please write your details on the clipboard in the foyer.

Advent Wreath Liturgy: (As the 1st candle is lit, in place of the Gloria we all say together) *“Lord, bless this advent wreath to help us prepare again to celebrate and remember the birth of Jesus, your Son, who is able to bring us light and hope. Amen.”*



Thought for the Week:

“Advent is the spiritual season of hope par excellence, and in this season the whole Church is called to be hope, for itself and for the world.”

Pope Benedict XVI

THE THREE COMINGS IN ADVENT

Advent is an old English word that is associated with *new beginnings*, in our Church year it is also that season where we as Christian people prepare again to celebrate the significance of the birth of the Christ child into the world.

The coming of the son of God needs to be remembered in 3 distinct yet complementary ways. The first way is in the actual physical birth of the baby Jesus in the stable at Bethlehem it is where the apostle John describes the experience as *the word becoming flesh*. The second way is where the birth of the living word and the sacramental presence is born into the lives of people of every generation. This reality is put so well in these words from the letter to the Hebrews (Ch.13 verse) *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever*. The third way is in his assurance that he will come again as the *Judge* at the end of time itself here he will hold each one of us accountable for what we have done and failed to do with our lives. We hear this reality made clear in Matthew’s Gospel; *“you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”*

In these 4 weeks of *Advent* we are challenged to listen and reflect on the significance of the three comings of the presence of God within our world. - Fr Martin R Maunsell

NEXT WEEK’S ROSTER – 10th Dec, 2017

(AV Projectionist 9am Mass – B Leung)

Mass	Senior Servers	Junior Servers	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Vigil	P Darmenia	C Kandalaft J David	R: N Wilkinson C: M Wilkinson	E & S Codsí F Reay, S Youssef
7:30am	B Patterson		R: M Farrell C: R Brayan	J Sun, A Rahme P Scully, A Lawrence
9:00am	V Chapman	L Butler A Butler	R: G Agahari C: G Agahari	R Harvie, M Tallaridi C Campagna, J Graziano
10:30am	N Silveira		R: A Maher C: W Aching	N & S Lobo M Velasco, T Taber
6:00pm	C Jonas	S Wei L Aglieco	R: W T-Mordi C: E Aglieco	B Aglieco, A Wei T Moses, J Yih

(Counters: 11th Dec – B Rigney, R McNamara, P Tassone, E Bowen)