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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)

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4th February, 2018

Our Deceased: Fr. Peter Neville, Fr. John Lyne, Fr. John Haseler, Geoff Clarke, Kwei Fong Fu, Young Hwan Ho, Yong Min Ho, Young Seok Seo, Maria Hur, Felix Michael Beins, Cecile Beins, Jan Brayan, Mary Duck, Ces Regan, John Davidson, Peter Summers, Caterina Morfuni, Domenico Sorbilli & Guiseppe Tallaridi, Margaret & Patricia Dunne, and Patricia Rohl.

Our Sick: Shrusti, Swati, Yaswamth, Robert Lauw, Derek Hogg and Sharma Cooray

Upcoming Saints Feast Day: St Bakhita 8th Feb, St Scholastica 10th Feb

Parish News:

- **Ash Wednesday Masses will be held at 7.30am, 9.15am & 6pm on 14th February.**
- **Parent/Guardian Information Evening for the Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be on **Wed 14th Feb at 7pm in the Church.** For more info please contact the parish office.
- **LENTEN PRAYER GROUPS** will begin the week after Ash Wednesday. If you are interested in joining and/or leading a group this year please complete a form outside the church after Mass today or contact the Parish office. Thank you.
- **Next weekend we will have Caritas Australia's Project Compassion Appeal.**
- **Parish Morning Tea** will be held in the hall this Sunday after the 9am Mass. All welcome!
- **St Kevin's playgroup will resume on Wed 7th Feb, from 9.30-11.30am in the Haseler Centre.** Playgroup meets every Wednesday during school term. All parents/carers and little ones are welcome to join in the fun! Enquiries: Carmel PH 9874 6008.
- **Young Adults Group will meet on Sun 11th Feb after the 6pm Mass.** All youth welcome. For more info contact Anita Hogan on 0406 607 115.
- **Happy Birthday to Fr Martin!** He will celebrate his 61st birthday this week!



A Point to Ponder:

"He who has health has hope; and he who has hope has everything." – Arab Proverb

FAMILY TENSIONS

Many years ago a student for the priesthood wrote his first sermon, it was on what it is to be part of a *Holy Family* he showed it to his fellow students who liked it.

He then sent a copy of his sermon to his parents and asked that it be read to his brothers and sisters. When he asked his father for their reaction he was deeply shocked to hear that they laughed out loud as to how out of touch he was with reality.

The father of the student priest then gave his son a few home truths about what the *Holy Family of Nazareth* was probably really like. He said to his son think about Joseph he would have felt jilted that his fiancé was pregnant and he knew that he was not the father! Then after the baby Jesus was born, because of a terrorist threat the young family had to escape from Israel and became refugees. Then when the child Jesus was 12 years of age, Mary and Joseph lost him for 3 days in the Temple in Jerusalem and when found they were given the strange answer; *"Don't you know that I must be about my Father's business?"* The Holy Family were not holy because they were immune from life's problems and misunderstandings but because they persevered together amidst them just like any other family. Perhaps the father of this student priest should write a few more homilies! - Fr Martin R Maunsell

World Day of Prayer, Friday 2nd March, 10am at St. Phillip's Anglican Church, cor. Rutledge & Shaftsbury Rd, Eastwood. All welcome!



MEN ALIVE INFORMATION EVENING: Thurs 8th Mar, 7pm in the Haseler Centre.

Following on from the successful presentations of the Father Factor Series last year, Robert Falzon is back again this time to speak about the upcoming menALIVE weekend which will be held here at St Kevin's on the 30th June & 1st July. Robert is the co-founder of menALIVE, which since its inception in 2003 has now presented 350 events for over 20,000 men from all over Australia and NZ. Enquiries: Steven Lia 0412 667 657.

MOUNT ST BENEDICT CENTRE: Lenten Reflection Day: Seeking God who keeps looking for us,

Sat 17th Feb 10am-3.30pm, 449D Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills (entry off Hull Rd). Lent calls us to renew and deepen our Christian call to the faithful seeing of God. The day will be facilitated by biblical scholar and teacher Dr Michele Connolly rsj. Cost: \$30 (morning tea provided, BYO lunch) RSVP by email: mtstbenedict@goodsams.org.au or PH 8752 5390

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER – 11th Feb, 2018

(AV Projectionist 9am Mass – B Leung)

Mass	Senior Servers	Junior Servers	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Vigil	E Cowle	to be advised J David	R: M Chow C: L Laybutt	M & L Mizzi N Menezes, N Lobo
7:30am	S Coorey		R: N Gazzola C: C Gazzola	R Guo, L Bergfield E & A Barbagallo
9:00am	C Almeida	P Nassif A McCosker	R: G Agahari C: G Agahari	N Ellis, S Youssef D Tan, J Chung
10:30am	B Rigney		R: A Maher C: W Aching	C Rigney, M Velasco T Taber, L Crowley
6:00pm	I Madu	I Mourani S Mourani	R: A Kelly C: R Kelly	C Mourani, E O'Regan A & T Dowdell

(Counters: 12th Feb – B Rigney, R McNamara, P Tassone, E Bowen)