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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)

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – 20th January, 2019

Our Deceased: Geoff Clarke, Kong-kit Lai, Lim Ho Lee, Kwei Fong Fu, Young Hwan Ho, Yong Min Ho, Young Seok Seo, Soo Woog Jin, Maria Hur, Felix Beins, Cecile Beins, Jan Brayan, Mary Duck, Ces Regan, , Yasmine G. Menassa, Domenico Caterina Sorbilli, Cyril Joseph Smith, and Dimitri Theodorlis

Our Sick: Robert Lauw, Philippa Flahey, Noelene Wilkinson and Tenille Moujalli

Upcoming Feast Day: St Agnes, 21st January

Parish News:

- **Thank you for supporting the wonderful work of the Sisters of St Elisabeth Convent from Belarus. We have raised over \$3,600 last weekend to help with their mission.**
- **We thank Fr John Alt, Fr Greg Morgan, Fr Paul Mahony, Fr Brian Wilson and Deacon Eddie Ho** for filling in while Fr Martin is away.
- **Safeguarding: Protecting the Safety, Wellbeing & Dignity of Individuals especially Children.** All parish volunteers are requested to provide the parish office with their Working With Children Check number and also complete the Safeguarding Online Induction Training for Parish Staff & Volunteers. To register online go to: <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1> .Within 48hrs of completing this form you will receive an email with your username, password and a link to take you directly to the training. For info email: safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org or ☎ 9390 5811. Once completed please notify the parish office. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **St Kevin's Parish 100th Year Celebration:** If anyone has photos of the old church that they would like to share, please email a copy to parish@stkevinseastwood.org.au or call the parish office ☎ 9874 2533 to arrange a time to bring in the photos & we'll scan them for you. All original photos will be returned.
- **Volunteer/s required for approximately 2hrs on a Friday or Saturday to sweep around the church and Haseler Centre grounds.** Please contact Peter McNamara on M: 0419 424 994 or ☎ 9874 7269 if you can help. Thank you.

Mass and Blessing of the Sick will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Earlwood, on Sun, Feb 10, behind Our Lady of Lourdes Church, entrance via St James Ave. Commencing with recitation of the Rosary at 2:30pm followed by Mass and the Blessing of the Sick at 3pm. Principal celebrant will be Bishop Terry Brady. Parking for people with disability is available in the school grounds. There is also a council car park nearby.

St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate Australia Day with a Mass at 9am, 12pm, and 6pm on Jan 26 to pray for God's blessing for all Australian people. There will be Organ Recitals, Bell Ringing & Guided Tours of the Cathedral & Crypt. Tours & recitals FREE. For info ☎9220 0400.

A Point to Ponder: "For the Christian, marriage is not 'just a piece of paper'; it is a sacrament that is sacred to the believer as Baptism and the Eucharist." – Anthony Castle

THE KINGDOM OF GOD in the here and now

Without a doubt one of the world's greatest ever leaders was the former U.S. President Abraham Lincoln (1809-65). He wrote many wise reflections not just on politics but on life and religion, I think that one of his best reflections was this; "After I die I want it said of me that I plucked out weeds when it was necessary and then planted seeds that would in time flower."

Of course this great man here was speaking in a metaphorical or symbolic sense. Holiness in life is also so often achieved in the same way when people name and eliminate habits or traces of evil in their life where and when it is possible. Also they then identify and choose to build on life's opportunities to grow in relationships with and for other people.

Like nature around us the kingdom of heaven on earth is a work in progress whose fruits are often realized at the end of people's lives or at the end of time itself. Our faith assures us that at baptism people are given the spirit of the risen Christ to make the kingdom of God alive in the world. The challenge and opportunity to do this is before us all.

We all need role models to follow who have lived well the word of God in keeping his Kingdom alive and many of them are not in the Catholic Church such as Abraham Lincoln!
Fr Martin R Maunsell

WORLD YOUTH DAY will be celebrated on January 22-27, 2019 in Panama. Let us pray for the Pope and the bishops; for young people; for all those who will take part in World Youth Day and for those who are preparing to welcome them. Amen.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER – 27th Jan, 2019

(AV Projectionist 9am Mass – D Tugaoen)

Mass	Senior Servers	Junior Servers	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Vigil	C Tumminello	C Quizon J David	R: P David C: M Chow	F Reay, S Gibbons S Youssef, L Persia
7:30am	S Wehbe		R: L Scully C: K Patterson	R McNamara, A Blomfield T & M Pinson
9:00am	D Lui	P Nassif A McCosker	R: T Nassif C: C Hogan	J McCosker, C Tai M Polson, J Polson
10:30am	D Le	T Egan R Khalil	R: P Zangari C: A Hogan	A Khalil, C McPhillips J Isaac, A Lay
6:00pm	C Jonas	L Aglieco A Di Bella	R: W T-Mordi C: A Di Bella	S Ramundi, K Jonas B Aglieco, J Yih

(Counters: 29th Jan – M Hill, H Reay, D Macedo, R Saez)