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## ST KEVIN'S PARISH

### VISION STATEMENT

St Kevin's Templestowe Parish is a Catholic community called by God and trusting in Jesus. We aspire to care for and connect with the wide world and to be hospitable and generous so that all may live life to the full.

**27/28<sup>th</sup> October, 2018**

**Year B**

### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism Presentations Weekend St Kevin's School Junior Level Mass**

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Let the hearts that seek the  
Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

The Lord has done great things  
for us;  
we are filled with joy.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done  
away with death,  
and brought us life through  
his gospel.

Alleluia!

#### **Response to Prayers of the Faithful**

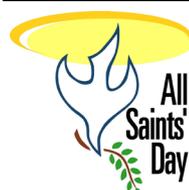
Lord hear our prayer.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

We will ring out our joy at your  
saving help and exult in the name of  
our God.

*A warm welcome to the students of Prep, Grades 1 and 2  
to our Mass this Saturday evening.*

**Blindness** is a powerful metaphor that is used throughout Scripture. It is almost always used to indicate blindness of mind or heart rather than purely physical blindness. Bartimaeus is a man who has almost nothing in life. His blindness has made him outcast and he is reduced to begging on the side of the road. When he is called to Jesus he jumps up and casts off what may well be his only real possession – his cloak. Yet what he does have in abundance is faith and hope. When asked what he wants Jesus to do, his answer may seem obvious, but his desire to see goes beyond physical sight. He asks for the sight of one who truly believes and to whom the truth of Jesus is revealed. In this way, he is a model to all who would be disciples.



#### **1<sup>st</sup> November – All Saints' Day**

Our chance to celebrate the call to holiness  
each of us received at Baptism.

*Mass will be at 9.15am in the Church.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> November – All Souls Day** - Please note that only one Mass will be celebrated on this day in the Church at 9.15am. There will not be an evening Mass.

# SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

## Adoration –

Each weekday before Mass @ 8.30am and  
7.15-8.15pm on Wednesday evenings

## Masses this week -

**Saturday:** 5.30pm (Vigil)

**Sunday:** 8.30am & 10.00am  
9.00am at Holy Cross Monastery

**Tuesday:** 9.15am @ St Kevin's Chapel

**Thursday: All Saints Day**  
9.15am @ St Kevin's Church

**Friday: All Souls Day**  
9.15am @ St Kevin's Church  
**Feast of St Charles Borromeo**  
10.15am @ St Charles' School

## Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

## SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

### Baptisms:

Last weekend of the month -  
*Presentations and Welcome. Baptism Meeting* on the third Wednesday of every month.

First Sundays of the month -  
*Sacrament of Baptism*

### Weddings:

By appointment only

### Funerals:

For bereavement support, please contact the Parish House on 9850 5983

### Parish Tennis Club:

Social and Competition.

Please ring Paul 9846 2083

[www.stkevinstcemplestowe.org.au](http://www.stkevinstcemplestowe.org.au)

*Baptisms Welcome! This weekend we welcome:*

**Sharon and Riccardo Ferlito**

who will be introducing **Valentina,**

**Roxanne and David Kight**

who will be introducing

**Isabella and Sophia**

and

**Peggy and Reece Linsdell**

who will be introducing **Ailie**

to our Community in preparation for their Baptisms next weekend.

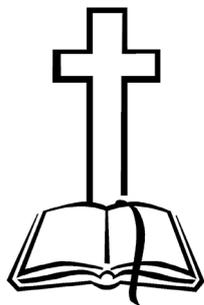
Celebration  
of the  
Sacrament of Baptism



## St Kevin's Annual Bereavement Mass

**15<sup>th</sup> November @ 7.30pm**

As a compassionate people, we are encouraged to come together on this important night in support of all who are grieving the death of a loved one. At this Mass, we shall also bless the plaques on our memorial wall. All are welcome, in particular those who have lost loved ones in the last 12 months. For further information, please contact Lyn Murphy on 9857 4437 or 0419 897582.



**Memorial Book:** November is just around the corner. If you wish to have a relative or friend inscribed in this precious book, please fill out a form from the table in the Gathering Space and give it to Fr Gerry. Thank you.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST KEVIN'S

Contributions towards our second collection are going towards the **Caritas Appeal** for the tragedy on the island of Milawesi.

## LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 760.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ 1,040.00
Total	\$ 1,800.00 (1)
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 715.00
Number of Envelopes	46
(1) Weekly Pledged amount	\$3,020.65
<i>Please contact the office if you would like to join.</i>	



## A YTU Information Night

will be held on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November from 7.30-8.30pm at YTU Study Centre, 34 Bedford Rd, Box Hill. Prospectus' are on the table in the Gathering Space. Discover new depths to your faith.

## Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27/28<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Deuteronomy 6: 2-6    2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 7: 23-28    Gospel: Mark 12: 28-34**

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Peter Howes	Tasha Vercauteren	Ann Maguire Bredenia Raquel Lucy Halliburton	Vercauteren Family
8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	
9.00am	Des Thornton	Marie Reichert	Dianne Flannery Margaret Mangan Peter Norman	
10.00am	Vianney Shiel	Liz O'Connell	Jo Ridgeway Pat Rowland Carmel Shiel	Tangatco Family

**We pray for Better Health:** Peter Waddick, Masino Cappadona, Michael O'Connell, John Condon, Lysele Jeux, Yvonne Wilson, Natalie Salvo and Alex Williamson.

**Anniversaries:** Laurie Dwyer, Gwen Reddick and Christie Cameron (6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – daughter of Justin and Susan Cameron).

**Recently Deceased:** Antoinette Maher and Aldo Tesa.

### Our Plenary Council Journey

Our Parish took several significant steps this week on the journey of the Plenary Council.

- 1) Our Finance Committee became our 10<sup>th</sup> group to look at "What is the Holy Spirit asking of Australia?" In a remarkable synergy they came up with almost all of the issues that came to light in the other 9 sessions.
- 2) An inspiring and broad cross-section of 45 parishioners met on Wednesday. We strongly endorsed 7 of the 8 issues so far submitted to the Plenary Council Committee. There was caution expressed concerning the issue of change with liturgy. This proved that the group was taking seriously the need to listen to each other's Holy Spirit speaking from within. The main concern amounts to insuring the central challenges of liturgy are faced and the peripherals do not dominate.
- 3) 4 of our 45 were from neighbouring parishes wishing to gain insights for their people. The hard work of putting substance into our submissions now begins. St Kevin's had contact with Montmorency, Grovedale, Syndal and Parkdale Parishes. Are we seeing the start of a joint statement?
- 4) Survey Monkey continues to offer those who can't/don't want to come to meetings an opportunity to have a voice. Are you one of those? Check out the survey on our website.
- 5) 2 other initiatives are in the pipeline:
  - a) change.org    and    b) videocam statements to Plenary.

Sincere thanks to Lucy Halliburton, Peter Sheehan and Tony Byrne – our driving forces.

PS: Watch out for the next step scheduled for early December.

### Questions to Ponder...

- 1) My favourite images from the first reading show God is
  - a) excited about Israel returning.
  - b) willing to save the people.
  - c) encouraging.
  - d) concerned about the people.
  - e) tender and compassionate.
- 2) If I had been in the gospel's crowd I would have
  - a) been embarrassed by Bartimaeus.
  - b) told Bartimaeus to keep quiet.
  - c) asked Jesus to help Bartimaeus.
  - d) helped him when Jesus called him.
  - e) not believed what I saw.
- 3) If Jesus asked me, "What do you want me to do for you?" I would say...



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Principal: Mr Greg Thomas

**Inspirational Quotes From Christian  
Meditation Network**

The quality needed urgently is silence. We need to learn how to be silent and how to remain in silence. We are called to the eternal silence of God, that silence that we find in our own hearts.

In silence we communicate in depth and in truth.

The way of this silence is the way of discipline.

We learn to abandon our own thoughts, words, ideas and imagination. The way to a wakeful silence is the way of learning to say the mantra.

**Have you checked out the Hot Topics Box**

**lately?** In it you will find a very interesting article entitled "A Crash Course In Climate Literacy". Make sure you grab your copy before you leave today!

**SURVEY MONKEY FEEDBACK**

We are delighted with the responses that we have received so far from our Survey Monkey (on our website). Please keep them coming! Here are some of the reactions so far:

- A. "What does the Church look like now?" (listening to each other) Thinking of the Catholic Church, do you consider the Church to be: In crisis and cannot continue "business as usual" attitude
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|----------------------------|--------|
| Agree                      | 46.43% |
| Neither Agree Nor Disagree | 28.57% |
| Disagree                   | 25.00% |
- B. "What is Christ calling us to make our Church today?" (listening to the Holy Spirit) Thinking of the Catholic practice and attendance to Mass, how do you view: The language of the Mass service needs updating/modernising
- |                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Agree                      | 64.29% |
| Neither Agree Nor Disagree | 25.00% |
| Disagree                   | 10.71% |
- C. "What do we, as Church, need to do to move from A to B" (listening must lead us to response and action) Your thoughts on the following statement: The Church addresses the issue of domestic/family violence.
- |                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Agree                      | 42.86% |
| Neither Agree Nor Disagree | 21.43% |
| Disagree                   | 35.57% |

**The Survey Monkey will close on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.**

**Talk and Tour Morning: 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

Our Lady of Sion College invites prospective families to a Talk and Tour morning at 9.30am.

Register at [info@sion.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@sion.catholic.edu.au).

Enrolment applications for Year 7, 2021, will open on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2019.

**Gita Yoga is coming to St Kevin's Parish!**

Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October from 6-7pm.

Gita yoga is very integrated, breathing, stretching, concentration, sense withdrawal, meditation and philosophy incorporated into all the postures. Cost: \$20 per person, per session. For information, contact David on 0414 441 259.