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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.

1st/2nd December, 2018

Year C

First Sunday of Advent Baptisms Weekend

Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted;
let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put
to shame.

Responsorial Psalm

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Come and remain with us.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.

The **Deanery Advent Prayer Evening** that was scheduled for this Wednesday, 5th December, has now been cancelled. Thank you to those who offered support and assistance.

Welcome to a New Year!!

As we move towards Christmas what are your hopes and dreams?

Welcome to the Gospel of Luke!

Each week of Advent, we shall have a paragraph to help us understand Luke's Gospel better.

Last year, the Liturgy Committee received unusually high acceptance of our change to "blue". A reminder as to why the change:

- 1) To more easily distinguish between Advent and Lent
- 2) Mary is one of the major figures of Advent and we think of blue as her colour
- 3) December and we are hoping for blue skies
- 4) Blue to match our bays and oceans, as we look forward to the January break "down the coast"



St Kevin's Parish warmly welcomes
through the Sacrament of Baptism...

Ruby Jean Baptist

Daughter of Malcolm and Emma
little sister of Audrey and Oscar
and

Charlene Fay Waddell

Daughter of Randell and Elma

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 at St Kevin's Chapel

Thursday: 11.00am at St Kevin's Church

Friday: 9.15am at St Kevin's Chapel

Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

Reconciliation – First Saturday of the
month @ 10.00am (or by appointment)

Visitation - For communion at home,
visiting, transportation or meals, please
contact the Parish House on 9850 5983.

Drop-In Get Together

The final Drop-In Get Together for this year
will be held next Thursday, 6th December
beginning with Eucharist at 11.00am
followed by lunch. Come along and catch up
with other members of our St Kevin's
Community. All are welcome and lunch is
provided. Further enquiries to Pat Rowland
on 9850 3387 or 0425 744 903.

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST KEVIN'S

This month, contributions towards our
second collection are going towards our
sister community, Patupat, in the
Philippines and the incredible orphanage
"Gentle Hands" in Manila.

Columban Calendars are available from
the table in the Gathering Space. \$10 each.

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 669.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>1,040.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,709.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 800.00
Number of Envelopes	40
(1) Weekly Pledged amount	\$3,020.65
<i>Please contact the office if you would like to join.</i>	

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.stkevinstctemplestowe.org.au

'Footsteps of Faith' Encountering the Christian Tradition Study Tour 19 September – 15 October 2019

Catholic Theological College invites you on
this 27-day tour, as we explore our Christian
tradition. Contact: Jenny Delahunt on 9412
3314 or jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au

It's Finally Here!

Check out our
NEW Website!!!!

stkevinsparish.org.au

Our hardworking Rebecca Sandwell has put a
wealth of amazing time and talent into setting
up our new website.

All are invited to have a look and see lots of
information about our wonderful parish.

Thank you for all your hard work Rebecca!
Included is some interesting information on
what people wrote in the survey monkey.

Our website has easy to read pie charts.
There is a lot more common sense around than
we are led to believe.

Second Sunday of Advent – 8/9th December, 2018

1st Reading: Baruch 5: 1-9 2nd Reading: Philippians 1: 4-6, 8-11 Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Carmen Childs	Janet Parsons	Lucy Halliburton Bredenia Raquel Lynne O'Brien	TBA
8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Kirsten Collins	Brigid Jordan Frank Ozzimo	
9.00am	Bernard Charnley	Helen Norman	Pat Bond Margaret Mangan Peter Norman	Maria Robson
10.00am	Michael Lynch	Johnson Family	Betty Natoli Jo Ridgeway Geraldine Williams	Tangatco Family

We pray for Better Health: Masino Cappadona, Lysele Jeux, Yvonne Wilson, Natalie Salvo, Alex Williamson, Fr Kevin Hennessy, Br John McMahon, Elaine Close, Salvatore Scaffidi and Wilma Barrow.

Anniversaries:
Matthew Wilkins
Recently Deceased:
Benita Mabo and Kim West

Christmas Mass Times 2018

20th Dec - Reconciliation Service 7.30pm
24th Dec - Christmas Eve 5.30pm Carols
6.00pm Mass
 Please note change of time - **8.45pm Carols**
9.00pm Mass
25th Dec - Christmas Day 9.00am Mass

Reconciliation

- **Communal Penance Service -**
 Wednesday 20th December @ 7.30pm
 - **1st Rite**
(one to one in the Reconciliation Room)
 10am on Saturday 8th and 15th December
 or as usual by appointment (9850 5983).

Art Show Success Delightful news! One of our oldest and gentlest parishioners, Pat Cowsley, won the quilt that was lovingly created by a team of our parishioners. Congratulations and a hearty **Thank You** to Marie Holt, Joyce Nickson, Pat Rowland and many helpers for their fantastic artworks. Thank you to all parishioners too who bought paintings and raffle tickets. We had a delightful weekend surrounded by the beauty of original artworks AND we were able to donate \$735.00 to Caritas. Well done one and all!!

Did you know...

- 1) That we conduct Yoga Classes in our Gathering Space every Tuesday evening. Further information is available from the flyer on the noticeboard.
- 2) That we conduct Cooking Classes for teenagers with a disability in our Gathering Space every Friday afternoon. Please see Nadia in the Parish House for more details.
- 3) That you can write to the Plenary Council with your submission: Plenary Council Committee, PO Box 747, North Sydney 2088 Remember, the more submissions the better!

TGI'S

*Templestowe
Parish's*

Please join us for TGIYG and TGITeen's
END OF YEAR CELEBRATION
 Sunday, 9th December
 TGIYG AND TGITeen will lead a
Family Mass at 10am and then a Sausage Sizzle.
 A wonderful opportunity to celebrate the end
 of the TGI calendar as a family.
 We'd love to have as many of our
**TGIYGroupers and TGITeens involved in helping
 at the Mass. Please let us know!**

For information on our Parish Schools please contact:

St Kevin's Primary School

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Principal: Mr Greg Thomas



Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

Learn to be silent, to keep saying your mantra. Leave your thoughts and plans behind. Leave your fears and imagination to one side and say your word. We are not alone in doing this. "And from time to time Jesus would withdraw to lonely places for prayer ... During this time he went out one day into the hills to pray, and spent the night in prayer to God." (Luke 5: 16, 6: 12). When we meditate in this tradition we enter into the same silence and it makes us one with Jesus in God.

Your taxes (thanksgiving) at work – available today for FREE "The Swag". Read interesting and challenging articles:

"Can Parish councils save the ailing Church?"

"No action is not an option" – and much more.

Pick up your copy today while they are available.

Christmas Support for the Sisters of Charity, Fitzroy Through the Social Justice Group, the Parish is assisting the Sisters of Charity to provide Christmas Cheer to families that they see on a regular basis. During November we have been using the second collection at Mass to provide funds for the Sisters to provide food parcels. In addition we will be collecting Christmas Celebration items such as Christmas cakes and puddings, fruit mince tarts, chocolates, table decorations, and other Christmas items. These can be left during Masses on the next two weekends. They will be delivered to the Sisters on Tuesday, December 11th. Students from both Parish schools are gathering and packing gifts for each member of 10 families selected by the Sisters. These too will be delivered on December 11th. Geraldine Butler, who organised this activity for many years has moved on to other things. Thank you very much Geraldine and family. If you and your family would like to be involved please contact Leo on 0418 223 166.

ST LUKE'S GOSPEL: THE HOSPITALITY OF GOD

In Luke's Gospel significant events and exchanges take place in the context of meals and offering (or non-offering) hospitality. Luke sees the whole life and ministry of Jesus as a 'visitation' on God's part to Israel and to the wider world. From the start this raises the question, 'How will this guest, this visitor be received?' The crucial point is that those who do receive him – chiefly as it turns out, those on the margins of society – find themselves drawn into a much wider sphere of hospitality, the 'hospitality of God'. The One who comes as visitor and guest in fact becomes the host and offers a hospitality in which human beings can become truly human in the way God intends, can know salvation in the depths of their hearts.

Congratulations to Paola on her fantastic achievement of completing the wonderful "Siloam" course at "Heart of Life." If you are looking for a challenging course in a supportive setting, a Siloam two year course may be for you. Further details – see Heart of Life booklet in our Gathering Space or check their website.

Caritas Australia - Global Gifts

A way we can share the joy of Christmas is through the Christmas card campaign, Global Gifts, where you can purchase cards. The proceeds from these Global Gifts are directed towards Caritas Australia's work for the poor and vulnerable, many of whom are separated from their families at this holy time.