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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.

16/17th February, 2019

Year C

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism Presentation Weekend

Entrance Antiphon

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

Responsorial Psalm

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
your reward is great in heaven.
Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.



Presented by

Fr Ray Sanchez CP

The Family and How We Communicate
Grief, Loss and the Mystery of Human
Suffering

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children
Prayer, Solitude and Everyday Spirituality
Reconciliation and Eucharist

Sunday 24th February, 2019

Friday 1st March, 2019

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 in the Chapel

10.30am Funeral Mass of Frances Alexander

Thursday:11.00am @ Mercy Place (Pioneer)

Friday: 9.15am in the Chapel

Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

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

Plenary Council Countdown to Ash Wednesday (6th March)

Submissions - video and parish – for the final ratification and "tidying up" our St Kevin's Parish Submissions, come to the Church on Wednesday night – 7.30pm, 27th February.

Meetings This coming Tuesday!

Liturgy Committee – 7.30pm in the Parish House – review Christmas, prepare for Lent – (Ash Wednesday is 6th March). All welcome – it's <u>your</u> Liturgy.

We invite our **Finance**, **Liturgy**, **Schools Boards** and **Social Justice** members to a combined/separate gatherings in the Parish Church on Tuesday, 5th March at 7.30pm sharp Our common focus will be developing strategies of giving oneself in order to "Grow community".

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes \$ 591.00

Direct Debit/Credit Card \$ 1,040.00

Total \$ 1,631.00 (1)

Priests' Living Costs: \$ 1,085.00

Priests' Living Costs:
Number of Envelopes: 37

(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65 *Please contact the office if you would like to join.*

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

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

Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism Welcome!

This weekend we welcome:

Grant and Marina Hill

who will be introducing

Annabelle Rose

to our Parish Community in preparation for her Baptism in a couple of weeks' time.

World Day of Prayer 2019

This year, the World Day of Prayer service has been compiled by the women of Slovenia. The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement which welcomes all Christians to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. The theme is "Come, Everything is Ready". You and your family are warmly invited to attend a service in the area on Friday, 1st March at 8pm at Manningham Uniting Church, Westfield Drive, Doncaster. After the service, supper will be served. A lovely opportunity to mingle.

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What's new in our website this week...

- An article by Daniel P Horan entitled
 "Speaking out on drug war, Philippine bishops model contrition, courage"
- Latest and past Parish Newsletters and Mass Readings.

LITURGYROSTER

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23rd/24th February 2019

1st Read: 1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 2nd Read: 1 Cor 45-49 Gospel: Luke 6: 27-38

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Janet Parsons	Margaret Turner	Maryann McNamara Bredenia Raquel Lynne O'Brien	
8.30am	Kirsten Collins	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli Frank Ozzimo Paul Polidano	
9.00am	Des Thornton	Pat Bond	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Peter Norman	Maria Robson
10.00am	Carmel Purdey	Liz O'Connell	Mary Calleja Lyn Murphy Betty Natoli	

We pray for Better Health: Alex Williamson, Fr Kevin Hennessy, Br John McMahon, Elaine Close, Salvatore Scaffidi, Wilma Barrow, Susan Turner, Pauline Maloney and Patrick Thursby.

Anniversaries: Jim Hannon, Roger Anthony Cheng and Meng Kong Cheng

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: Reynaldo Tagala (close friend of Bredenia and Emmi Raquel), Frances Alexander and Masino Cappadona (Betty Natoli's cousin)

ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 6TH

It is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. Masses will be:

- 9.15am St Kevin's Church
- 11.45am St Charles Borromeo School
- 7.00pm* St Kevin's Church
- * 7.00pm so that we can get to the 8.00pm Reflection in Fitzroy with Fr Noel Connoly (member of the Plenary Facilitation Team). "We need a Synodal Church not just an occasional synod."

ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM If you would like your child/ren to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion or Reconciliation this year, the time to act is now!

Expressions of Interest are currently being accepted for students to receive these Sacraments this year. A Parent Information Night is planned for next month, Wednesday 20th March, 2019, at 7.00pm in the Church, where instructions will be given for online bookings. This is a compulsory evening for all parents. You have until Thursday, 28th February to register your interest. Late applications will definitely **not** be accepted. Please ring the Parish Office on 9850 5983 (Tuesday-Friday 9am-4pm) or email: templestowe@cam.org.au or pam.cohen7@icloud.com for further information.

It is with much sadness to report the death of the delightful and resilient Frances Alexander who turned 95 last Thursday. Frances' funeral will be held here at St Kevin's Church this Tuesday at 10.30am.

Responding to Plenary 2020

In the lead up to our Parish Plenary Meeting on Wednesday, 27th February at 7.30pm, there will be an opportunity to talk Plenary after this weekend's Masses. Lucy Halliburton will be around after Masses to talk about all things Plenary with anyone who would like to hear more, and/or record an audio/visual submission to accompany our parish response.

Parents and children alike!
Please feel welcome to stay after
Mass and help keep adding
strength to the voice of our
response to reshape our Church.

Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

In the journey of meditation we say our mantra: *Ma-ra-na-tha*. We let go of thoughts and plans, ideas and imaginings. We let go of the images of ourselves. We let go of our desires, our fears, what others might think of us. This 'letting go' leads us into communion with the Other (God) and others at a deeper level. The solitude of meditation is a foundation stone. Meditation helps to build true community; all are one in God.

February 23rd - March 1st is Fr Ray Sanchez Week!

"I'm doing the full mission what are you doing?

Fr Ray Sanchez - the wonderfully engaging Passionist Priest, will be giving us a series of talks to continue updating our faith.

TOPICS

SUNDAY: THE FAMILY AND HOW WE COMMUNICATE

Our understanding of family has undergone many changes, in recent years. Families are under enormous pressure, both from without and from within, and this affects our society and selves. We look at the issues our modern society confronts the family with, as well as the dynamic within it. We search ways of how to cope with change and communicate better within the family unit.

MONDAY: GRIEF, LOSS AND THE MYSTERY OF HUMAN SUFFERING

At some stage, grief and loss situations confront us all. Suffering in one form or the other is part of our human condition. In this session we look at these aspects of our lives and explore ways in which our Christian faith helps us find meaning in our experience of suffering.

TUESDAY: SHARING OUR FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN

In the past, faith was considered a static thing - you either had it or not. Through the study of psychology we have learned that faith, like so many other areas of our life, undergoes constant change and development. Our Church's expression to faith has also undergone massive changes in our life-time. In this session we will examine how our faith changes and matures through stages, from a child's to an adult's faith. We then explore ways that parents can use to 'pass-on' their faith to their children, both young and adolescent.

WEDNESDAY: NO SESSION

THURSDAY: PRAYER, SOLITUDE AND EVERYDAY SPIRITUALITY

In this session we explore the rich variety of Prayer styles within our Christian tradition. We then look at how we can live out an everyday spirituality in the ordinariness that makes up most of our lives. We also look at the responsibility each of us has, as followers of Christ who often sought out a lonely place to pray, to ensure we have space for Christian solitude. Finally we provide an experience of guided meditation as a form of Christian prayer.

FRIDAY: RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST

A Parish Mission is a time of renewal of faith. In this session we focus on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith as Catholics. We look at its history and the changes of Vatican II, exploring its meaning as meal, in the context of Jesus' life and ministry. We conclude the Mission with a celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

PARISHIONERS are WELCOME to a BYO lunch after this session.

NOTE: All weekday sessions will begin with morning Mass (optional) at 9.15am followed by morning tea and then the talks will begin at 10.15am - 12.15pm and repeated at Holy Cross Monastery from 7:30 - 9:30 pm (however, please note that the Sunday session at Holy Cross Monastery is a one–off only evening session).