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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.

30th/31st March, 2019

Year C

Baptism Presentations Weekend Fourth Sunday of Lent

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem,
and all who love her.

Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her
consoling breast.

Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see the goodness of
the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you,
Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my Father and
tell him:

Father, I have sinned against heaven
and against you.

Praise and honour to you,
Lord Jesus Christ!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Loving God please hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord anointed my eyes:
I went, I washed,
I saw and I believed in God.

LENT

The Prodigal

Because the only context in which most people ever hear the word prodigal is in relation to this parable, there is a common misunderstanding of the word. Because the parable is also referred to as the parable of the lost son, many people think prodigal means lost. However, to be prodigal means to be wastefully extravagant. When the son took his father's money he adopted a prodigal lifestyle. However, the irony of the story that is often lost is that the father too was prodigal in the extravagant welcome he gave. The father's extravagance echoes God's extravagant and abundant grace and love.

Baptisms Welcome!

This weekend we welcome:

Daniel and Cara Barrett

who will be introducing **Liam and
Daniel and Carmel Favata**

who will be introducing **Orlando**

to our Parish Community in preparation
for their Baptisms next weekend.

Celebration
of the
Sacrament of Baptism



The Melbourne Passion Play

This FREE event will take place in the open, at the grounds of the Holy Cross Centre on Palm Sunday at 1.30pm and Good Friday at 10.00am.

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

Thursday: 9.15am in the Chapel

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)

DIARY DATES FOR APRIL/MAY:

2nd Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

5th Chapel Mass with St Kevin's Middle Level

11th Communal Penance Service

13th ACU Gathering re Plenary Themes

18th Holy Thursday Mass @ 7.30pm

19th Good Friday Service @ 3.00pm

20th Easter Vigil @ 7.00pm

21st Easter Sunday Masses @ 8.30 and 10.00am

24th St Kevin's School Holy Week/Easter Liturgy

26th St Kevin's School Anzac Day Service

27th Confirmation Commitment Mass

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18th TGI's Youth Group

Plenary Council The parishes of Cheltenham, Grovedale, Kilmore, Parkville and ourselves invited 50 other parishes to send representatives to a meeting on Saturday, 13th April. Our representatives will be two from our Parish Council Sub-Committee (Tony Byrne and Peter Sheehan). The purpose of the meeting is to draft a statement to send to the Plenary Committee. The full letter is on our website.

Questions For Reflection

- What would you do if you were the older son?
- What will happen when the Father dies and the elder son obtains his inheritance?
- What do we do if we identify with the Father?
- What do you think of the younger son?

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 775.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>1,040.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,815.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs:	\$ 1,058.00
Number of Envelopes:	42
(1) Weekly Pledged amount	\$3,020.65
<i>Please contact the office if you would like to join.</i>	

Communal Penance Service

Thursday, 11th April
at 7.30pm.



Asphalt Update – line markings will soon be placed on our newly laid asphalt. A warning – a speed bump at the gate will also be put in place.

Project Compassion –

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help reduce infant mortality rates in countries like Bangladesh and provide hope to pregnant women in remote communities for happy and healthy families.



Attention to all members of the Parish Pastoral Council! The next PPC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 2nd April at 7.30pm at the Parish House.

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

- An article by Isabelle De Gaulmyn entitled *Towards a Committed Church*
- An article by Massimo Faggioli entitled *The Church Under Pressure: Reform or Counter-Reform?*

LITURGY ROSTER

Fifth Sunday of Lent - 6/7th April 2019

1st Read: Isaiah 43: 16-21 2nd Read: 2nd 2 Philippians 3: 8-14 Gospel: John 8" 1-11

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Peter Howes	Tasha Vercauteren	Ann Maguire Bredenia Raquel Fiona Watson	
8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Kirsten Collins	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	
9.00am	Helen Norman	Pat Bond	Bernard Charnley Dianne Flannery Peter Norman	Maria Robson
10.00am	Carmel Purdey	Vianney Shiel	Betty Natoli Frank Ozzimo Paul Polidano	

We pray for Better Health: Fr Kevin Hennessy, Br John McMahon, Salvatore Scaffidi, Wilma Barrow, Susan Turner, Pauline Maloney, Marie Reichert, Kaye Ohara, Frank Connellan, Tess Uniake and Jane O'Brien.

Anniversaries: Maria De Luca, Fr Ernie Smith, Ralph De Souza, Joe Malone, Rita Skubal, John Clarke and Nancy & Joseph Amalfi (Louie's parents)

Recently Deceased: Yvonne Wilson

EASTER CEREMONIES

To assist in making our Easter Ceremonies even more meaningful, our Liturgy Committee, along with Fr Gerry, have decided to temporarily change the layout of the Church setting. This includes setting up a temporary altar, changing the position of the organ, chairs, lectern, etc.

The idea is to enhance and improve on our Church atmosphere for the Easter Season.

All will be "back to normal" by Pentecost Sunday.

Confirmation

Commitment Masses will be held on the weekend of 27/28th April. Come along and support and pray together with our parish families as our children continue along their faith journey.

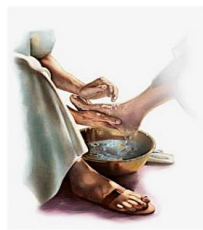
Super Supper -

(after the Vigil Mass at 7pm, 20th April)

The PPC and helpers invite you to join with your fellow parishioners in a fitting celebration in our Gathering Space after the Vigil Mass. A shared plate for supper would be most appreciated if you will be attending. This will help to mark the joyous celebration of Christ's Resurrection. Drinks and music will be provided! Trish Wilson (PPC)

An important Holy Thursday

reminder... We are both givers and receivers, those who have and those who need. At the heart of service is mutuality: we learn from those we teach and are healed by those we tend.



Please be generous on this wonderful night, in both washing a foot and having your own foot washed.

A quote from Joan Chittister (a modern day visionary):

Moderation is the key to happiness. "It is not the one who has too little," Seneca says, "but the one who always craves more, who is poor."

Our Liturgy Team's Easter Wish

is that the numbers attending the Mass on Holy Thursday are far greater than last years! Thank you.

For information on our Parish Schools please contact:

St Kevin's Primary School
Phone: 9850 4609

St Charles Borromeo Primary School
Phone: 9842 7634



Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

When we start to meditate, we think that it will help us. And it does help for some time. Then we are tempted to give up. We wonder about progress, we question the commitment to the daily routine. Meditation is an invitation into the mystery of God. The journey takes a long time. When we meet God, we are tempted to hold back because the experience is too great. This is the 'ego' tricking us, sending us off on the wrong path. Be still. Say your mantra with simplicity for the entire time of your meditation.

EASTER TIMETABLE

- 11th April: Communal Penance Service at 7.30pm
- 18th April: Holy Thursday at 7.30pm
- 19th April: Good Friday at 3.00pm
- 20th April: Easter Vigil at 7.00pm
- 21st April: Easter Sunday at 8.30 and 10.00am

Help Wanted! We are seeking helpers for the Easter Masses and Ceremonies as listed below. If you can help out, please indicate which ceremony/ies for which you are available:

- 11th April: Communal Penance Service @ 7.30pm
1 Commentator, 2 Lectors
- 14th April: Palm Sunday Mass @ 10.00am
1 Extra Lector
- 18th April: Holy Thursday Mass @ 7.30pm
1 Commentator, 3 Lectors,
7 Foot Washers
- 19th April: Good Friday Service @ 3.00pm
4 Lectors.
Please note that there will be a morning rehearsal for this ceremony.
- 20th April: Easter Vigil Mass @ 7.00pm
1 Commentator, 1 Lector,
3 Eucharistic Ministers
- 21st April: Easter Sunday Mass @ 8.30am
1 Commentator, 1 Lector,
3 Eucharistic Ministers
- 21st April: Easter Sunday Mass @ 10.00am
1 Commentator, 1 Lector,
5 Eucharistic Ministers.

Please let Jill Hodson know if you can assist at any of the above services: Mobile: 0403 279 750 or email: thehodsons62@hotmail.com. Thank you.

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YOUTH GROUP

Welcome back to Youth Group!

Great to see so many familiar faces return and of course a big welcome to our "newbies".

Youth Group is going strong and we can't wait to see you again at our next event on Saturday, 18th May, 6.45pm-8.45pm.

Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks.

Fr Ray Sanchez

Remember last month's parish mission? Wasn't it great! We want to keep alive our conversations at that time. We the Pastoral Council wish to refresh, reflect and re-invigorate our "learnings", so we are going to organise some groups to add to our growth. Please express to the Parish House your interest and best time for a group.

We are seeking a donation of a portable basketball hoop with stand. If you or anyone you know has one and is happy to donate it, please contact Rebecca at the Parish House. Thank you.