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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.

13/14th April, 2019

Year C

Palm Sunday



Holy Week

The most important week in the Church's year!

Reflecting on the Triduum

Holy Thursday commemorates the sign of service that Jesus gave us on that night of the Last Supper. He who came not to be served but to serve is our master who set an example for us. If the master served, we too must serve. Service is a constitutive element of following the one who served to the point of giving his life.

On **Good Friday** we witness the cross; there is no eucharistic prayer, but only a significant Liturgy of the Word followed by Communion. As Christians have done for centuries, we pray for the world and for many other things. The prayers of intercession are accompanied by dramatic action and even movement. This day is unlike any other, and we leave the service in silence, alone with our thoughts.

After sunset on **Saturday** it's as though we cannot contain the Easter joy we know will be ours and we celebrate the resurrection.

The **Triduum** is too much for one liturgy or even one day. We are given three days to enter into this profound ancient mystery. Let's give ourselves the gift of not only preparing others for this experience, but undergoing it ourselves too.

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

Adoration –

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

Masses this week -

Tuesday: 11.00am @ Pioneer Village

Holy Thursday: 7.30pm

Holy Saturday: 7.00pm (Vigil)

Easter Sunday: 8.30am & 10.00am

No 9.00am at Holy Cross Monastery

Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

Reconciliation – One to one

(1st Rite of Reconciliation) from

10.00-10.30am on Holy Saturday morning

DIARY DATES FOR APRIL/MAY:

18th Holy Thursday Mass @ 7.30pm

19th Good Friday Service @ 3.00pm

20th Easter Vigil @ 7.00pm

21st 1 to 1 Reconciliation 10-10.30am

Easter Sunday Masses @ 8.30 and 10.00am

Anzac Day Services included

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

Vigil Mass hosted by

St Charles Borromeo Level 1/2

Beware! – Speed humps are being installed this coming Tuesday at the gateway to the car park.

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.

EASTER TIMETABLE

18th April: Holy Thursday @ 7.30pm followed by prayer at the "Altar of Repose" in the Chapel until 10.00pm. "Come and watch with me" - is this Jesus to you?

19th April: Good Friday @ 3.00pm

20th April: Easter Vigil @ 7.00pm followed by a PARTY celebrating new life, new hope, new energy

21st April: Easter Sunday @ 8.30 and 10.00am

PLEASE NOTE: Mass will **NOT** be celebrated at Holy Cross Chapel on Easter Morning.

Project Compassion –

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and give children living with disabilities in Vietnam the opportunity for education and inclusion in their community.



Plenary Council Joint Statement At the time of printing, 31 parishes have agreed to come together to work towards a joint statement of basic themes to send to the Plenary Council Sub-Committee. Want to know which parishes? Look up our parish website.

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 1,115.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>1,040.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>2,155.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs:	\$ 1,028.00
Number of Envelopes:	39
(1) Weekly Pledged amount	\$3,020.65

Please contact the office if you would like to join.

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- What's new in our website this week...*
- An update and more information on the upcoming aspects of the Plenary Council.
 - Easter Ceremonies Readings.
 - Past and Present Parish Newsletters
 - Information on TGI's Youth @ Teens Group

LITURGY ROSTER

Easter Ceremonies and Sunday – 18th-21st April 2019

1st Read: Acts 10: 34, 37-43 2nd Read: Colossians 3” 1-4 Gospel: Matthew 28: 1-10

Time	Commentator	Lectors	Communion	Welcomers
Holy Thursday 7.30pm	Fiona Watson	Frances Johnson Rebecca Sandwell		
Good Friday 3.00pm	Mick Lynch	Kirsten Collins Peter Howes De-Ann McAdams Mike Westbrook		
Saturday Vigil 7.00pm	Margaret Mangan	Tasha Vercauteren	Lyn Murphy Bredenia Raquel Tony Whelan	
Easter Sunday 8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Frank Ozzimo	Anne Maguire Betty Natoli	
Easter Sunday 10.00am	Margaret Mangan	Frances Johnson	Betty Natoli Carmel Shiel	

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

Anniversaries: Rita Skubal and Rita Farrella

Recently Deceased:

Wilma Barrow (Dot Sharkey's sister) and Len Bennet (Monsignor Greg Bennet's father)

Prompts for Faith Sharing...

- The prophet Isaiah tells us, "The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them". Who are the weary in our parish or community? What word do they need to hear?
- St Paul records an early hymn to Christ in his letter to the Philippians, lauding the one who "emptied himself". What spiritual practice helps you to empty yourself so as to make room for Jesus?
- How will you set aside your regular routine these next eight days to enter into Holy Week?

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.

PHYSICAL HELP NEEDED FOR EASTER

After 10am Mass on Palm Sunday we need to turn all the chairs around, move the organ and lectern and get out the altar platform. After Mass on Holy Thursday, more chairs need to be put out and the altar platform moved out. After the Good Friday service, the altar platform needs to be moved back. Your assistance with all this would be greatly appreciated. The idea is to enhance and improve on our Church atmosphere for the Easter Season. All will be "back to normal" by Pentecost Sunday.

**Super Supper – Come to the PARTY!
(after the Vigil Mass at 7pm, 20th April)**

The Parish Pastoral Council and helpers invite you to join with your fellow parishioners in a PARTY in our Gathering Space after the Vigil Mass. A sharing 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)

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

Whoever cares for their own needs, becomes lost. Jesus says "You must lose yourself for my sake." To meditate is to lose yourself, to become absorbed in God. To be 'lost' in the greatness of God. Meditation is a way of faith because we enter into the otherness – God. We take the attention off ourselves, and only look ahead. We do this through the mantra. Recite your mantra and nothing else. Sound it in your heart, every day.

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.

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

- 18th April: Holy Thursday Mass @ 7.30pm
1 Foot Washer
- 21st April: Easter Sunday Mass @ 8.30am
1 Eucharistic Minister
- 21st April: Easter Sunday Mass @ 10.00am
3 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.

News from Fulvia Gerolisimo in our new sister community – "Loyo"

Our stay here in Cebu has been quite overwhelming. My heart aches for the people. What we have seen has been so incomprehensible. Our visit to Loyo Elementary was pleasant yet sad. The school and community are in desperate need of every possible thing you can imagine. For one, the school itself has no running water so the children need to fill up 2 x 2 gallon bottles of water collected at the well approximately 800 metres from the school, then walk up the hill to the school. That is their drinking water and bathroom required water for their school day. At the end of the day they walk back down the hill, refill their 2 gallons with water from the well and take it back home to their home for the family. We purchased for the Loyo community (17 families in total) a 50 kilo sack of rice which we then divided amongst the families. A member from each family gathered at the school where we then distributed it. Some of the parents were crying upon receiving the bag of rice.

WALK for 2019

JUSTICE for REFUGEES

For a Fair & Welcoming Society
Close Manus & Nauru - Bring Them Here

Palm Sunday, April 14
2pm State Library cnr Swanston & La Trobe Sts Melbourne

Please join Fr Gerry and the crowd outside the State Library (Stanston Street) 2.30pm on Sunday.