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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.

10/11th August, 2019

Year C

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor
ones for ever.

Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those
who seek you.

Responsorial Psalm

Happy the people the Lord has
chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man
is coming.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Loving God please hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of
finest wheat.



August – A big month for Feasts

- 1) Last Thursday – Mary MacKillop
(see later in the newsheet)
- 2) This Thursday – Feast of the Assumption –
three Mass opportunities:
9.15am and 7.00pm – St Kevin's Church
11.40am – St Charles Borromeo School

Along with Christmas Day, this is the only day
(other than weekends) when the Church asks us
to celebrate Eucharist.

Deep gratitude and loud applause

for Pam Cohen's dedicated love/work that saw
the First Communion Masses flow so beautifully
and prayerfully. (Well, yes one Mass was a bit
feral.) Thank you Pam – what a wonderful
servant of St Kevin's you are! Many thanks too
to our "regular" parishioners for the warm
welcome you gave to our "visitors".

Thank you from Caritas Australia

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's
Project Compassion. Together, we managed to
raise \$4,110. Through your generosity this year,
you have empowered communities with hope
and helped those in great need to shape a better
future for themselves, their families and their
communities. Well done everyone!

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

Adoration –

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

Masses this week -

Tuesday: 9.15am @ St Kevin's Chapel

Thursday: Feast of the Assumption

9.15am @ St Kevin's Church
11.40am @ St Charles Borromeo
7.00pm @ St Kevin's Church

Friday: 9.15am @ St Kevin's Chapel

Saturday: 5.30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8.30am & 10.00am
9.00am @ Holy Cross Monastery

DIARY DATES FOR AUGUST/SEPT:

15th Assumption Mass with St Kevin's
Assumption Mass with St Charles

17th 1st Reconciliation Commitment Mass
TGI's Youth Group Session

18th 1st Reconciliation Commitment Mass

20th Mass @ Mercy Place @ 11am

21st Baptism Preparation Meeting

24th St Kevin's Middle Level Mass

25th TGI's Teens Group Session

31st Baptism Mass

1st Father's Day
Baptism Mass

4th First Reconciliation Retreat Day
and Workshop Evening

5th St Kevin's Middle Level Mass

Christian Meditation – **PLEASE NOTE** Meditation will be held at 9.15am on Wednesday morning due to a Funeral in the Church at 10.30am. Thank you.

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

Next Weekend... We shall celebrate Commitment Masses for families and friends of children preparing to receive Reconciliation for the first time. Please pray for them and their faith journey.

Funeral Mass of the much loved Tess Uniacke will be here at 10.30am on Wednesday, 14th August.

Have you noticed how much recorded music we have at Mass?

Not a bad option, but our Liturgy Group agrees with you - live music is more appropriate and often encourages us better to join in the singing. And so we are in the hunt for musicians who can lead us in song at 5.30pm and 10.00am. So, do you know anyone whom we can approach?

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

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| Envelopes | \$ 560.00 |
| Direct Debit/Credit Card | \$ <u>1,040.00</u> |
| Total | \$ <u>1,600.00 (1)</u> |
| Priests' Living Costs: | \$ 1,225.00 |
| Number of Envelopes: | 35 |
| (1) Weekly Pledged amount | \$3,020.65 |

Please contact the office if you would like to join.

Plenary Council

Correction! Correction! The upcoming website is "senseofthefaithful.org.au" (not yet up and running, but you are the first to know about it!). On Saturday (10th) six of us were briefed on the next stage of the Plenary Council (this is where the website will come into play). This stage is to help you to dissect the "6 themes" that have come from the thousands of submissions. And then to highlight some practical actions you believe the Plenary needs to act upon to renew/help the Church to survive. Stay tuned folks, at present we anticipate offering you choices of gatherings in early September

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

- A book review by Andrew Hamilton on a book entitled "New Wineskins" by Frank O'Loughlin.
- An article entitled "De-Cluttering - Do Your Spiritual Practices Bring You Joy?" by Tracey Edstein.
- "Plenary Council Rocket Science - A Matter of Trust" by Andrew Hamilton

LITURGY ROSTER

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17/18th August 2019

1st Read: Wisdom 18: 6-9 2nd Read: Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19 Gospel: Luke 12: 32-48

| Time | Commentator | Lector | Communion | Welcomers |
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| 5.30pm | Peter Howes | Le Gall Family | De-anne McAdams Ann Maguire Bredenia Raquel | Marini Family |
| 8.30am | Mike Westbrook | Paul Polidano | Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick | Volunteer Family |
| 9.00am | Bernard Charnley | Michael Doyle | Christine Flannery Margaret Mangan Peter Norman | Maria Robson |
| 10.00am | Tony Byrne | Mishika Perera | Kaye Byrne Raffaella Dinelli Geraldine Williams | Ai/Huang Families |

We pray for Better Health: Kaye Ohara, Jane O'Brien, Randal Waddell, Don Tynan, Tony Tome, Christine Knights, Adrian Wilson, Bella Cullen, Madeleine Hill, Caroline Muscat and the Curmi Family.

Anniversaries: Faye Whitehead, Jopie Lun, June Gillespie, Maria Amato, Vincenzo & Rosario Venito, Joan & Nunzio Venito, Carmen & Vince Conti and Joe Conti

Recently Deceased: Tess Uniake.

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST KEVIN'S

During August the second collection will go towards the fight against **Human Trafficking**.

In the words of Pope Benedict, human trafficking is a "crime against humanity" and a form of slavery which is "unfortunately increasingly widespread, which involves every country, even the most developed, and touches the most vulnerable people in society: women and young girls, children, the disabled, the most poor, whoever comes from situations of familial or social disintegration."

In 2019, there are 21 million human victims worldwide.

Trafficking happens by coercion, force and deception for sex slavery and labour slavery.

The feast of the Assumption, like all Marian feasts, says more about Jesus than it does about Mary. Marian feasts are fundamentally christological, expressing something foundational about Christ and the power of the incarnation and resurrection. With respect to the assumption, the Church has long maintained, at least since the fourth century, a belief that Mary was taken up to heaven after her earthly life. The Eastern Church typically refers to this as the *dormition* (or sleeping) of Mary, expressing the belief that she did not die but slept, and then was taken up to heaven. The Roman Catholic Church refers to this as the *assumption*. Whether or not Mary actually died has never been dogmatically defined. However, in an act of papal infallibility, Pope Pius XII dogmatically proclaimed the assumption as a matter of faith in 1950. It might seem odd that nineteen hundred years after the assumption it was proclaimed dogmatically, but again, it says more about Christ than about Mary. Ultimately, it is the power of Christ and his resurrection that prevented Mary's body from seeing decay.

Our Needlecraft Volunteers are putting a call-out for knitted/crocheted squares which are then sewn together to produce blankets for the needy in our community. These can be made at home or even better, join us at our Needlecraft Sessions which are held on Wednesdays in our Gathering Space at 1.00pm. Thank you to all who already contribute. The blankets created so far have already gratefully made a big difference.

For information on our Parish
Schools please contact:

St Kevin's Primary School
Phone: 9273 9999

St Charles Borromeo Primary School
Phone: 9842 7634



Music Music...

The 4th Australian National Music Conference is coming to Melbourne from October 1st-3rd celebrating liturgical music. Every Australian composer in the country will be present, plus two special guests – details are on the noticeboard or better visit www.apmn.org.au to view the full program.

At the Parish Pastoral Council Meeting last Tuesday night, we...

- 1) Spoke about acknowledging all the wonderful hidden work that keeps St Kevin's flowing so smoothly.
- 2) Flagged the possibility of establishing a "sustainability/environment group".
- 3) Committed to helping our fellow parishioners participate in the next stage of the Plenary Council.

A big welcome to Liz Rimes who has kindly agreed join our Council as Secretary. However, we are always looking for new members with new ideas to help make our parish even more vibrant! Interested? Please see Fr Gerry, Terry Maher or Rebecca Sandwell. Thank you.

Mary MacKillop Today Appeal – This Weekend of 10/11th August, 2019

In the spirit of Mary MacKillop, we invite you to bring life to

"the poorest and most neglected parts of God's vineyard."

Your donation to Mary MacKillop Today will support thousands of people in Timor-Leste, Peru, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and here in Australia with education, health, finance and livelihoods opportunities, bringing hope to communities for generations to come.

Please consider making a small monthly donation with our Regular Giving Program and help bring Mary MacKillop's charism to life - marymackilloptoday.org.au

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Next event is a

Movie Night

We can't wait to see you again at
this fun event on Saturday,
17th August,
6.45pm-8.45pm.
For all in Years 5-8.

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FOR TEENS

TGI'S TEENS GROUP

Our next gathering is on Sunday 25th August,
4.30-7.30pm.

A great way to keep in touch with friends,
reconnect with old ones and make new ones!

Contact the team at tgiyg17@gmail.com
or call 9850 5983 for more info.

All Years 9-12 students welcome

Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

We may ask "How long will this take?" "Will meditation really work?" The teacher replies, 'Just say your mantra. Do not think about anything else'. In faith, we begin, and we keep trying every day. We enter into deeper and deeper silence. We become simple: nothing matters except this time with God. We do not need lots of words. We do not need to read about meditation nor to follow clever guides. Simply meditate every day. Trust and live by faith.