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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.

12/13th October, 2019

Year C

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord,
should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has revealed to the nations
his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of
you in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Be with us, we pray.

Communion Antiphon

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack
no blessing.



A very warm "welcome back" Fr Gerry from your well-deserved break. We hope you enjoyed your restful and relaxing time.

And **Happy Anniversary to you Fr Gerry** as 13th October marks the 10th Anniversary of your arrival here at St Kevin's Parish.

Wow – Isn't it amazing when so many things happen at the same time?

This coming Tuesday night we:

- Are hosting the Interchurch Council Meeting
- Pastoral Council meets
- Members of the forming Plenary Council website is meeting
- Members of the Liturgy Committee are going to an Advent workshop in town.

Parish Website Looks like the Holy Spirit is determined to bring about much needed reform within our Catholic Church!

In Germany, a plenary assembly was conducted with an equal amount of Bishops as to lay people. A Synod will be starting in Advent will continue until January.

Amazonian Bishops have been meeting at the Vatican for the past three weeks and have been discussing the prospect of married priests and climate change.

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

Adoration –

Each weekday @ 8.30am and
7.15-8.15pm on Wednesday evening

Masses this week -

Tuesday: 9.15am @ St Kevin's Chapel

Thursday: 9.15am @ St Kevin's Chapel

Friday: 9.15am @ St Kevin's Chapel

Saturday: 5.30pm (Vigil)

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

Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

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

DIARY DATES FOR OCT/NOV:

15th Advent workshop in the city
Interchurch Council Meeting @ 7pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Plenary Council Website Meeting

16th Needlecraft Session @ 1.00pm

Baptism Preparation Meeting

19th St Charles Mass hosted by 5/6

TGI's Youth Group Session 6.30pm

23rd Needlecraft Session @ 1.00pm

26th Baptism Presentations 5.30pm

27th Baptism Presentations 10.00am

TGI's Teens Group Session 4.30pm

3rd Baptism Mass @ 10.00am

Plenary Council Update: Remember the 6 themes the Plenary Council Committee has given us? -

How is God calling us to be a Christ-Centred Church in Australia that is:

- * inclusive-participatory-synodal?
- * open to conversion, renewal and reform?
- * Prayerful and Eucharistic?
- * humble, healing and merciful?
- * a joyful, hope-filled & servant community?
- * missionary and evangelising?

Beginning next weekend until mid November, promotional material will be included in our Mass Presentations to assist with any ideas that may arise for you. After Masses you will all be invited to write some key words that may have come to you after reading the Themes. Stay tuned! *You* are potential leaders in the movement towards much needed change for our Church.

Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual **Catholic Mission World Mission**

Appeal. This year we are invited to support the Eden Gardens Children's Home in Nagaland, north-eastern India.

The goal of Father Rajesh Lobo, who runs the home, is to give the children opportunities to fulfil their dreams. The home currently provides 250 children from disadvantaged backgrounds with basic needs, such as food and water, education and a safe home, as well as faith formation through activities like daily Mass, praying the rosary and catechism.

However, with challenges such as lack of water, the home urgently needs to update their infrastructure to continue providing practical and spiritual support to the children.

As an act of mission for October 2019, Pope Francis has called an Extraordinary Missionary Month, you will be offered the opportunity to support this work – please come prepared to give generously.

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 444.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>1,040.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,484.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs:	\$ 1,065.00
Number of Envelopes:	30
(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...

- "Being a Theologian, Be Prophetic" by J A Dick
- "Letters From The Synod: Ear To The Ground" by Br Mark O'Connor
- "Despite Disagreements, German Bishops Commit to 'Synodal Way'" by Zita Ballinger Fletcher.

LITURGY ROSTER

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19/20th October 2019

1st Read: Exodus 17: 8-13 2nd Read: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 2 Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Janet Parsons	D'Costa Family	Le Gall Family De-anne McAdams Bredenia Raquel	Marini Family
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	Young/Oda Families
9.00am	Margaret Mangan	Bernard Charnley	Christine Flannery Peter Norman Jo Ridgeway	Maria Robson
10.00am	Vianney Shiel	Liz O'Connell	Raffaella Dinelli Betty Natoli Carmel Shiel	Ai/Huang Families

We pray for Better Health: Bella Cullen, Madeleine Hill, Caroline Muscat, the Curmi Family, Salvatore Scaffidi, Betty Natoli, Carmela Orsillo, Michelle McIntosh, Kim Bedford, Josh (our Youth Minister) and Mike Westbrook.

Anniversaries: Salvatore Ozzimo (Frank's mother), Doris Delaney (Joan James' mother), Lorna James (Joan's mother-in-law), Roma Johnson and Palmara Dinelli (Raffaella's mother-in-law).
Recently Deceased: Peter Chin (husband of Helen) and Pam Graham (friend of the Wilsons)

Sustainability An astonishing amount of recyclable products are sent to landfill each year simply due to a lack of effort from consumers. Along with decreasing the waste sent to landfill, recycling saves natural resources such as rare metals, oil and water that are required to make new items from scratch, saves energy and reduces greenhouse gases entering the atmosphere. Waste management company Suez says only 30.3 per cent of steel cans and 67.4 per cent of aluminum cans were recycled in 2010, despite 93 per cent of Australians having access to kerbside recycling services that accept steel packaging. This equates to enough steel to make 40,000 fridges being sent to landfill every year. Although Australia's recycling efforts have increased significantly in recent decades, there's still along way to go. Many consumers simply don't realise what products are recyclable – a problem that can be overcome in a matter of minutes. If you're not sure what products or materials are recyclable, (many people believe takeaway coffee cups aren't recyclable when they usually are, and think paper towels are recyclable, when they're usually not) be sure to spend 10 minutes reading up on the plastic identification code and the fact sheet. Not every council recycles the same materials, so you may need to check what's available in your area. A simple tweet to your local council's Twitter page should suffice.

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YOUTH GROUP

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Our next event will be happening on Saturday, 19th October. The theme for the evening is:

Gross Food!

\$5 donation appreciated for catering purposes. RSVP to tgiyg17@gmail.com See you there!

For all in Years 5-8.

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST KEVIN'S

Contributions towards our second collection are going towards the victims of the bushfires in NSW and Queensland.

For information on our Parish Schools please contact:

St Kevin's Primary School
Phone: 9273 9999

St Charles Borromeo Primary School
Phone: 9842 7634

The Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation is holding Advent/Christmas preparation seminars over 2 weeks entitled "The Advent of Grace". They will be held on Tuesdays 15 and 22 October and provide an overview of the Gospel of Matthew as well as practical and informative workshops focussed on various aspects of the season. If you would like to attend either/both, please let Fr Gerry know as we have a group going together.

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FOR TEENS

TGI'S TEENS GROUP

Our next gathering is on Sunday 27th October, 4.30-7.30-pm.
A great way to keep in touch with friends, reconnect with old ones and make new ones!
Contact the team at tgiyg17@gmail.com

Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

As we enter the simplicity of meditation, the simplicity of meditation, the practice is not boring. Be content to say the mantra. Try not to look for results or expect anything. Meditation is a way of unlearning. We unlearn what we want to do or to have. We unlearn the things that we wish might happen or that others might do for us. We unlearn our ideas of God and what we want God do to for us. God knows us now. God is present to us in the silence of meditation.

October is an **Extraordinary Missionary Month** with its focus being **Our Life Is Mission.**

In this second week of the Extraordinary Missionary Month, we are invited to pray with three of the great saints of the Catholic tradition: St Teresa of Jesus (Tuesday), St Ignatius of Antioch (Thursday) and St Luke the Evangelist (Friday). Robert Ellsberg writes that each saint "is a living Gospel. They have all, in some partial way, embodied – literally incarnated – the challenge of faith in their time and place and so opened a path that others might follow" (Robert Ellsberg. "Meet the Famous Franciscan Saints," St Anthony Messenger, 25th September 2017). May we, too, rise to the challenge of our time and place, and continue to invite people into the mission of Jesus.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. **Aid to the Church in Need (CAN)** is hosting a prayer campaign on 18 October titled: "**One Million Children Praying the Rosary.**" The prayer initiative invites teachers, priests, parents and grandparents to pray the rosary together with children for peace and unity around the world. If you would like to participate information and resources can be found online at: www.millionkidspraying.org

Time for a laugh... An old Italian man lived alone in the country. We wanted to dig his tomato garden but it was very hard work as the ground was hard. His only son, Vincenzo, who used to help him, was in prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and described his predicament. "Dear Vincenzo, I am feeling pretty bad because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I am getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. If you were here, my troubles would be over. I know you would dig the garden for me. Love, Papa." A few days later he received a letter from his son. "Dear Papa, I'd do anything for you Papa, except dig up that garden. That's where I buried the bodies. Love, Vinnie." At 4am the next morning, police arrived and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologised to the old man and left. The same day the old man received another letter from his son. "Dear Papa, God ahead and plant the tomatoes now. That's the best I could do under the circumstances. Love Vinnie."