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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.

In the interests of public health, please take this newsletter home with you.  
Please do NOT return it to the table in the Gathering Space.

16/17<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

Year B

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down  
before you, O God,  
and shall sing to you,  
shall sing to your name,  
O Most High!

### Responsorial Psalm (8.30am Mass)

Here am I, Lord;  
I come to do your will.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah:  
Jesus Christ,  
who brings us truth and grace.

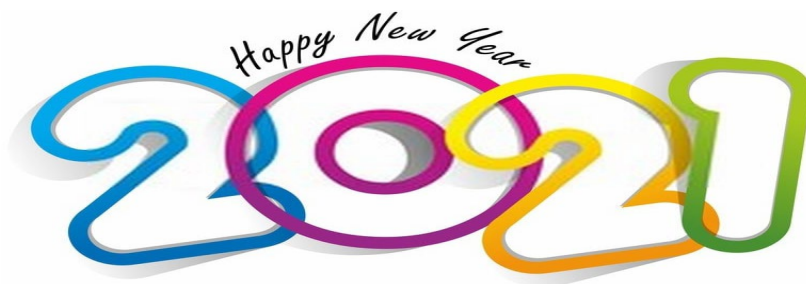
Alleluia!

### Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear our prayer.

### Communion Antiphon

You have prepared a table  
before me,  
and how precious is the chalice that  
quenches my thirst.



***Well, I'm glad to be back!***

I hope you missed me. I shall serve you this year, opening up all the news around St Kevin's so please treat me respectfully and for the sake of all our people's health, please take me home with you. I don't want to be responsible for spreading any of that awful virus.

*Your Weekly Newsletter*

***A new year and we are almost rid of Donald, but politics keeps on.***

Do you remember Groucho Marx's famous phrase:  
*"In politics, sincerity is everything.  
Once you can fake that, you've got it made".*

Well, we are in the tiny window of "Ordinary Time" before this year's early start to Lent (17<sup>th</sup> February is Ash Wednesday).

Many, many thanks to so many of you folk who made the Christmas season so beautiful to experience.

*Fr Gerry*

# SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

## Adoration –

Wednesday mornings @ 11.00am

## 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

**Christian Meditation –** Wednesdays @ 9.30am online

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

## DIARY DATES FOR JAN/FEB:

**18<sup>th</sup>** Funeral Mass for Joe Luca 11am

**20<sup>th</sup>** Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

Baptism Preparation Session 7.30pm

**27<sup>th</sup>** Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

**28<sup>th</sup>** Primary Schools Students Return

**30<sup>th</sup>** Baptism Presentation Mass

**31<sup>st</sup>** Baptism Presentation Mass

**6<sup>th</sup>** Baptism Mass

**7<sup>th</sup>** Baptism Mass

## What Will This “Ordinary Time” bring us?

Our primary guide through the two parts of this year's Ordinary Time is the gospel writer Mark. Jesus' first words in Mark make it clear that from now on time can never be considered “ordinary”: “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news,” said Jesus (1: 1-4). Every Sunday – indeed every day – is a “day of salvation” (2 Cor 6: 2). Because Mark's is the shortest gospel we read supplementary material from the gospel of John on three occasions – on this Sunday, on Sundays 17-21, and on the last Sunday of the year, the feast of Christ the King. On the Sundays of Ordinary Time we hear an Old Testament reading (accompanied by a psalm) that in some way relates to the gospel. This year the independent second reading will come from the apostle Paul's letters to the Corinthians and to the Ephesians, from James the apostle, and from the unknown author of the letter to the Hebrews. A rich feast of the word of God lies before us.

# Thank you!

*Many, many thanks for your cards and gifts over the Christmas period. Your expressions gave me great heart and once again I have felt very cared for in this wonderful parish of St Kevin's.*

**Fr Gerry**

## *Have you thought? Why disciples?*

Why did Jesus call a group of people to follow him closely and share in his ministry? Certainly, it was not uncommon at the time that a charismatic leader might attract a group of followers and ‘hangers-on’ but Jesus appears to have deliberately called some people to travel with him and share in what he was about. So much of what Jesus spoke about was living in right relationships: with God; and with one another. Rather than simply being a ‘back-up group’ for Jesus, the disciples provided a lived example of trying to live in right relationships. They didn't always get it right, but they were on the way.

## *Questions for Adolescents (and anyone older!)*

- Q. Why do you think the two disciples asked Jesus where he lived?
- Q. What might have made the disciples realise that Jesus was the Messiah?
- Q. To follow Jesus, what did the disciples have to give up or leave behind?
- Q. How can you respond to Jesus' invitation to ‘Come and See’?
- Q. How can you also invite others to ‘Come and See’?

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

*We're baaaaack!*

Three articles of interest – two on the pandemic vaccine, another article on what each of us might've learnt from 2020.

## LITURGY ROSTER

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> January 2021

1<sup>st</sup> Read: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 2<sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Peter Howes	Margaret Turner	Anne Maguire Bredenia Raquel	Volunteer Family
8.30am	Kirsten Collins	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	Volunteer Family
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Liz O'Connell	Raffaella Dinelli Lyn Murphy Pat Rowland	Volunteer Family

**We pray for Better Health:**  
Jan Dalton and Lucy Molony.

**Anniversaries:** Giuseppe Giannini, Michael De Luca, Maria Egan, Margaret Materazzo, Mario Bolzonello, Vito Adamo, Bryan O'Toole, Giovanni Pennisi and Marie Reichert (1)

**Recently Deceased:** Graham Arthur, Colin McDonald, Jure Mlikota, Peter Norton, Fr Frank O'Dea and Giuseppe (Joe) Luca.

### ***Help Please!***

To adhere to current government guidelines, we will be requiring 3 or 4 people at the upcoming Lent and Easter Triduum Celebrations to act as "Covid Marshalls" to assist us with our Mass Celebrations. Duties include:

- Arriving early to ensure our Church facilities are prepared accordingly.
- Ensuring Mass attendees are registering their attendance either electronically or manually.
- Ensuring Mass attendees are sanitising their hands before entering the Mass area.
- Spraying the chairs after Mass.
- Ensuring chairs are put back to their original position.
- Checking the computer operator has used disinfectant wipes to sanitise keyboard and mouse.

More information is available on the noticeboard in the Gathering Space or on our website. If you feel you can help, please let Fr Gerry know and we shall prepare a roster. As the saying goes, the more volunteers come forward the less time will be required. Thank you all.

### **We have introduced a new way of keeping an electronic record of your attendance at Church : a QR Code.**

"QR" is short for "Quick Response" and this new method will assist us with contact tracing. You may already be familiar with using it as it is very popular in restaurants, hotels and cafes. It costs nothing to use and it meets government requirements as well as our data privacy and security criteria. The contact data is deleted after 28 days.

#### **How to use QR code for check-in?**

The directions for using this code are on the "Table Toppers" stands placed all over the Gathering Space. Please feel free to use this new way of electronic recording today. If your mobile does not have this technology capability, you may like to ask a friend or fellow parishioner to also include you in their registration. Of course, we also provide the traditional "paper and pen" method as well.



### ***PART TIME COOK POSITION***

The Marist Community of Templestowe is seeking someone to prepare and cook four evening meals each week for the Brothers. For further information, please contact Br Mark on 9846 6249.

For information on our Parish  
Schools please contact:

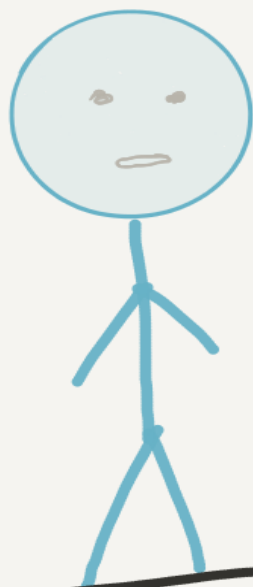
**St Kevin's Primary School**  
Phone: 9273 9999

**St Charles Borromeo Primary School**  
Phone: 9842 7634

### ***Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network***

Faithfulness to the mantra, from beginning to end, brings us to simplicity because it enables us to leave self behind. Our survival, spiritually and physically, depends on recovering an awareness of the redeeming power of poverty, purity and simplicity. This is the way of the mantra. 'It is not ourselves we proclaim; we proclaim Christ Jesus and ourselves as servants for Jesus' sake.'

EVERYBODY



SOMEBODY



ANYBODY



NOBODY



### **THE STORY OF EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY AND NOBODY**

Once upon a time there were four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. But Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it. But Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about it, because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, and Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody and Nobody did the job that Anybody could have done in the first place.

At last report, these four were still arguing and the job they were supposed to do still wasn't done.