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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.

27th/28th February, 2021

Year B

**Baptism Weekend
Second Sunday of Lent**

Entrance Antiphon

Of you my heart has spoken,
seek his face. It is your face,
O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.

Responsorial Psalm

I will walk in the presence of
the Lord in the land of
the living.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you,
Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud,
the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son,
hear him.

Glory and praise to you,
Lord Jesus Christ!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

This is my beloved Son, with
whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.

Well Done St Kevin's Parish!

150 people gathered last Wednesday night to the invitation in Discussion with Melbourne's Vicar General, Fr Joe Caddy.

Oh what an attendance last Wednesday night (24th February) with Fr Joe Caddy! Congratulations! I hope you feel proud of your generosity in coming and helping the church to edge towards synodality (ie: listening to each other and walking together, as Pope Francis sees synodality). Where to next? How do we move forward from Wednesday?

We need to continue to strive to bridge the gap between the Archdiocese and what forms does the bridge take to be built? That night, Fr Joe Caddy said "keep the conversation going".

We failed to press further, the details of how to keep the conversation going...

One thing is clear- 150 people (and yes this is the exact number of people counted by two independent parishioners), means that the momentum has its own force. Your Pastoral Council will be meeting next Tuesday. What questions, issues, ways forward do you see would be helpful for the PPC to discuss. Please continue the conversation in whatever way you wish – personal approach, email, phone conversation, letters in the mailbox! Well done folks – your attendance is a great indication of your commitment to our community. **Fr Gerry**

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

Adoration – Each weekday @ 8.30am and 11.00am on Wednesday mornings

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 FEB/MAR:

28th Baptism Mass

2nd Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

3rd Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

4th Lenten Program @ 1.30pm

10th Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

Sacramental Gathering @ 7.30pm

11th Lenten Program @ 1.30pm

13th Schools' Commissioning Mass

17th Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

Schools' Commissioning and Welcome to Prep Families Mass

Saturday 13th March @ 5.30pm

Mass is part of the celebration of our refurbished Church. This Mass is also the occasion of our community's welcome to families starting this year at our schools. Third (and perhaps most importantly) at this Mass we shall commission our parish groups and teachers to serve the reign of God in 2021. Let us start the school year well.



St Kevin's Parish warmly welcomes
through the Sacrament of Baptism...

Evelyn Claire Davis

*Daughter of Brent and Sarah
Little sister of Annabelle*

Scrutinies Next weekend, we shall start the first of the three consecutive weekends of scrutinies. Well, we could say, come next weekend and find out! But in general they are a GHLAY – See you next weekend!

A Second Sunday of Lent Reflection

Just as we always hear the story of Jesus' testing on the first Sunday of Lent, so we always hear of his transfiguration on the second.

One way of interpreting this choice is to see the story of the transfiguration as a source of encouragement for us on our Lenten journey. If we were disheartened by the challenge of last Sunday's gospel, then we might be reassured today by the vision of Jesus' glory. The story of the transfiguration follows on from Paul's emphatic affirmation that God is on our side, a declaration that we might well welcome after the disturbing story of Abraham and Isaac. Appealing as it is, the gospel story makes it clear that we can't escape into an imaginary paradise as Peter was tempted to do. Jesus must come down from the mountain and continue on his way. This is the choice he makes. He faces up to the fate that awaits him in Jerusalem. What about us? Will we continue to follow him all the way to Calvary and beyond?

Second Sunday of Lent

Now one of the things we must cast out first of all is fear. Fear narrows the little entrance to our heart. It shrinks up our capacity to love. It freezes up our power to give ourselves. If we were terrified of God as an inexorable judge, we would not confidently await His mercy, or approach Him trustfully in prayer. Our peace and our joy in Lent are a guarantee of grace.

Our next **Pastoral Council Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, 2nd March @ 7.30pm. If you are interested in joining this dynamic team, please let Fr Gerry know.

LITURGY ROSTER

Third Sunday of Lent – 6/7th March 2021

1st Read: Exodus 20: 1-17 2nd Read: 1 Corinthians 1: 22-25 Gospel: John 2: 13-25

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Peter Howes	Margaret Turner	Anne Maguire Bredenia Raquel	Volunteer Family
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	Volunteer Family
9.00am	Helen Norman	Des Rigby	Christine Flannery	Volunteer Family
10.00am	Julie O'Donnell	Liz O'Connell	Raffaella Dinelli Lyn Murphy Pat Rowland	Volunteer Family

We pray for Better Health:

Jan Dalton, Lucy Molony,
Terry Maher, Jane O'Brien
and Paul Bradley.

Anniversaries: Claude Natoli (10th – Betty's Son)

Recently Deceased: Len Saunders, Marlene Shirley Crowl and
Bede Header

Communal Penance Service

Wednesday, 24th March
at 7.30pm.



*thank
you*

to all who attended last
Wednesday's event with the
Vicar General. Your support for
our parish is gratifying.

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

- A neighbouring priest writes about reforming the Church and the Australian Plenary Council.
- An interesting article answering the question: Where to you look for hope?

Our weekly Lenten Program entitled "It's all About Hope" continues on Thursdays at 1.30pm in the Gathering Space. Discussions are centred around a booklet written by "our" Fr Chris Monaghan. Please let us know if you'd like to join in.

EASTER TIMETABLE

24th March: Communal Penance Service at 7.30pm
1st April: Holy Thursday at 7.30pm
2nd April: Good Friday at 3.00pm
3rd April: Easter Vigil at 7.00pm
4th April: Easter Sunday at 8.30 and 10.00am

ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

If you would like your child/ren to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion or Reconciliation this year, the time to act is now!

Expressions of Interest are currently being accepted for students to receive these Sacraments this year.

A Parent Information Night is planned for next month, Wednesday, 10th March, 2021, at 7.30pm in the Church, where instructions will be given for online bookings.

This is a compulsory evening for all families. Due to covid restrictions, we request only one parent per family please – no children.

Late applications will definitely **not** be accepted. Please ring the Parish Office on 9850 5983 (Tuesday-Friday 9am-4pm) or email: templestowe@cam.org.au or pam.cohen7@icloud.com for further information.

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

We each find our own way of saying the sacred word. Many people say it in rhythm with their breathing. Say the mantra in the silence of your mind, a silence that is ever deeper. Concentrate on the mantra over all other thoughts and ideas, feelings and concerns. You may be tempted to 'turn off the motor' and just float. Return to the faithful saying of your mantra. The way to overcome this temptation is to keep saying the mantra. This is the way to your heart.

World Day of Prayer Services 2021 - Friday, March 5th

Edge Community Church

186 Blackburn Rd (Cnr Woodhouse Rd)
Doncaster East
10.00am

Speaker: Rev Tim Costello
Director, Micah Australia

Pathway Baptist Church

4 Marcus Rd (Cnr Thompsons Rd)
Templestowe Lower
8.00pm

Speakers: Ruth Wilkinson
Glenys Freeman
Volunteers: Sailing Ministries

Vanuatu is the focus of this year's combined prayer effort with our neighbouring Christian communities.

Come and listen and pray with fellow Christians and if you come on Friday morning, you can hear what Rev Tim Costello has to say, especially in light the recent findings regarding Crown Casino. WDP Committee, Carmel Shiel, Rep on WDP Committee.

Help Wanted!

The Easter Season is fast approaching and as we enter into this extremely busy time of the Liturgical Year, we are asking for some assistance please with our Easter Ceremonies.

If you are not planning time away this Easter Season, please consider being involved in your parish this year, even if it is in a small way - every little bit helps!

Please call Julie O'Donnell on 9850 4373 or Fr Gerry on 9850 5983 for more information.

Also, we are reminded to observe that Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.



We are now in the Season of Lent. Please make sure you collect your Project Compassion box before you leave today.

10th MARCH

Michael McGirr, teacher, author, parent, journalist is coming to St Kevin's on Wednesday, 10th March. His primary audience is parents whose children hope to celebrate sacraments this year. However, he could well give each of us important and stimulating thoughts. Consequently, you are invited to come on 10th March @ 7.30pm.



St Kevin's Memorial Mass

A Memorial Mass will be held on the 22nd of April 2021 at 7.30pm.

All are welcome,
in particular those who have lost loved ones in the last 12 months.

For further information please contact
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