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**Pastoral Worker:** Mrs Rebecca Sandwell



## 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.

**13/14<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**

**Year B**

### Schools' Commissioning Weekend

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

#### Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem,  
and all who love her.

Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
exult and be satisfied at her  
consoling breast.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Let my tongue be silenced,  
if ever I forget you!

#### Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you,  
Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much,  
he gave us his only Son,  
that all who believe in him might  
have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you,  
Lord Jesus Christ!

#### Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Caring God please hear our prayer.

#### Communion Antiphon

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went,  
I washed,  
I saw and I believed in God.

### *Welcome to all our school staff!*

**What a wonderful ministry you have.**

So often you are the human connection with the Parish of St Kevin's. We give you all our collective thanks.

**Fr Gerry**

### This weekend we celebrate the Second week of the Scrutinies

– What are They?

All over the world, the Church celebrates the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent as a central part of our more intense preparation for Easter. We are called to look more closely at our faith and the centrality of our faith in our lives – in other words, we are called to have a good hard look at our faith.

We are asked to consider whether we are merely passive bystanders or do we do as Jesus did in the temple, express some righteous anger of events in our world and in our Church and take action to bring about change.

### **Communal Penance Service**

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March  
at 7.30pm.



# SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

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

## Masses this week -

**Tuesday:** Fr Gerry *only* @ Mercy Place

**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 – *We're baaack!*** Yes folks, the Parish Meditation Group will re-commence meeting in person this Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March in the Parish Chapel.

**However**, due to the Funeral also on this Wednesday morning, meditation will begin at 9.15am instead of the usual 9.30am *for this Wednesday only*. Thank you.

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

## Third Sunday of Lent Reflections

1. I find the first reading shows God
  - a) capable of anger
  - b) requiring just service and homage
  - c) using nonbelieving rulers to carry out divine plans
  - d) willing to forgive and restore blessings
  - e) according to a mentality I don't understand.
2. The second reading strikes me as
  - a) a stark contrast with the first
  - b) encouraging
  - c) a reason for celebrating
  - d) centred on how much God gives to us
  - e) a reason for thanking God.
3. The gospel mentions Moses holding up a bronze snake for the people to look at and be cured from the plague of poisonous snakes. I find this
  - a) confuses me
  - b) helps me see the healing power of Jesus
  - c) reminds me that medicine and religion are often linked together
  - d) surprising
  - e) helps tie Jesus to past Jewish history.
4. The words I would like to remember from this week's readings are...

## DIARY DATES FOR FEB/MAR:

13<sup>th</sup> Schools' Commissioning Mass

16<sup>th</sup> Mass @ Mercy Place 11am

17<sup>th</sup> Funeral of Galdino Marini 11am

Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

Baptism Preparation Session

Parish Liturgy Team Meeting

18<sup>th</sup> Lenten Program @ 1.30pm

21<sup>st</sup> Confirmation Mass (from 2020)

24<sup>th</sup> Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

## EASTER TIMETABLE

24<sup>th</sup> March:

Communal Penance Service at 7.30pm

1<sup>st</sup> April: Holy Thursday at 7.30pm

2<sup>nd</sup> April: Good Friday at 3.00pm

3<sup>rd</sup> April: Easter Vigil at 7.00pm

4<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Sunday at 8.30 and 10.00am

**The Funeral of Galdino Marini** will be held here at St Kevin's Church on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March @ 11.00am.

## [stkevinsparish.org.au](http://stkevinsparish.org.au)

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

**Two very important items in our**

**"Interesting Articles" section:**

- "Educating Children About Consent"
- "When you Lack for Nothing it's Easy to Forget God"

The next batch of Thanksgiving Envelopes are now ready for collection from the table in the Gathering Space. Please make sure you collect yours before leaving today.

A special 'thank you' to Peter Norman who diligently organises these envelopes.

If you would prefer to contribute electronically, please see the link in our website entitled "St Kevin's Secure CDF Pay" and simply follow the prompts.

## LITURGY ROSTER

**Fifth Sunday of Lent – 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

**1<sup>st</sup> Read: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 2<sup>nd</sup> Read: Hebrews 5: 7-9 Gospel: John 12: 20-33**

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Peter Howes	D'Costa Family	De-Anne McAdams Anne Maguire Bredenia Raquel	Volunteer Family
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Paul Polidano	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	Volunteer Family
8.45am	Bernard Charnley	Des Thornton	Peter Norman	Volunteer Family
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Mishika Perera	Kaye Byrne Raffaella Dinelli Silvana Rodella	Volunteer Family

**We pray for Better Health:** Jan Dalton, Lucy Molony, Terry Maher, Jane O'Brien, Paul Bradley, Lindsey Hulm and Victor Liew

**Anniversaries:** Loretta Kearney (1) and Mary-Ann Southwell (1) (Aunt of Rebecca Sandwell)

**Recently Deceased:** Galdino Marini (father of Daniel)

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.



***Please Note:*** the new time for Sunday morning Masses at Holy Cross Centre, Templestowe, is now 8.45am effective immediately.

### ***Australia Day Award***

With postponement after postponement, our very own **Vianney Shiel** was finally able to receive the following award last Thursday:

**"Member of the Order of Australia".**

Well done Vianney, we are immensely proud of you! A fitting award for a most generous man who gives of his time and talents not only to our parish community but to all that he comes into contact with. ***Congratulations Vianney!***

Our next **Parish Liturgy Team Meeting** is scheduled for Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm. Be there or be green! If you are interested in joining this dynamic team, please let Fr Gerry know.

The next edition of **The Swag** magazine is available for your collection from the table in the Gathering Space. Lots of good reading inside!

### **CONFIRMATION MASS**

***Next Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> March at 2.00pm, we shall be celebrating the special Sacrament of Confirmation.***

This Mass is especially for the children who missed out last year due to Covid restrictions, and Fr Gerry will be presiding.

Please keep these candidates in your prayers as they continue to walk along their faith journey.

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 move beyond all thoughts about God... We move beyond all words about God... We are called to know God through the experience of God's Spirit. It is the simplicity of God, the one-ness of God, that calls us to meditate. It is our biggest question: 'How can God be so mysterious yet so simple?' The mantra helps us past this big question. The mantra helps us to find, in the silence of our heart, the experience of God beyond words and beyond questions.

### **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.



### **St Kevin's Memorial Mass**

A Memorial Mass will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> 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  
Lyn Murphy 9857 4437 / 0419897582



During this Lenten Season, please make sure you collect your Project Compassion box and support Caritas Australia to make a difference to the people who need our help the most.

### **The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

By now we are well on our way through this season of repentance and renewal. The word of God today makes it clear that it's time to decide. It's a wholly positive choice that we are offered – to welcome the love that God has poured out on us in Christ – but still we hesitate, afraid to come forth out of darkness into such wonderful light.

Could we be condemning ourselves to a kind of exile, like that suffered by God's people of old? The constant temptation for us is to hold fast to patterns of life simply because they are familiar, though they bring us no lasting joy. As much as we may lament our lot, we let fear paralyse us. Today we are offered the opportunity to open our eyes to the beauty and wonder of God's love for us in Christ. Dare we see ourselves, in that lovely phrase from the letter to the Ephesians, as "God's work of art"? How could we refuse such an invitation?

### **Have you noticed the new Altar in our Chapel?**

It was donated to us from the Marist Brothers.

This altar has a special significance and history as it was built by Br Peter Howes' father.

**Thank you Marist Brothers!**

