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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.

3rd/4th April, 2021

Year B

## Easter Blessings! Easter Joy! Easter Hope! Easter Peace! Easter New Life

"Peace be with you" is often on Jesus' lips during this wonderful Easter season.

Many parts of the world (as close to us as New Guinea) will be unable to celebrate the most special of Christian events which we stretch over three precious days.

We think back on how strange the Easter lockdown was for us last year and we pray in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in lockdown. May the sickness be mitigated by quick and skillful nursing care. Our prayers too are for a generous sharing of the covid vaccine to the most vulnerable people.

What have we learnt from last year? How are we different? Have your values deepened/changed?

Of course, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Saturday Vigil are too rich to grasp in just three days. Hence, you know well by now (!) that's why we have an Easter season to enable us to unpack the super reality of God's extraordinary gifts offered to each one of us at any time, but as it were in a gilt edged package at this full moon time.



Nadia Bolzonello, Liza Jansz, Rebecca Sandwell and Fr Gerry McKernan wish you peace, joy and good health. May Easter 2021 overflow with hope and wonder for each one of us.

### SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

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

Masses this week -

Tuesday: \*\*\* No Mass Today \*\*\*Thursday: 9.15am in the ChapelFriday: 9.15am in the Chapel

Saturday: 5.30pm

**Sunday:** 8.30am and 10.00am

**Christian Meditation –** 

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

### **DIARY DATES FOR APRIL:**

4th Baptism/Easter Mass

7th Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

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

11<sup>th</sup> Baptism Mass

13<sup>th</sup> Parish Pastoral Council 7.30pm

14th Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm

17<sup>th</sup> Baptism Mass 18<sup>th</sup> Baptism Mass

19th Reconciliation Parent Workshop

20th Mass @ Mercy Place

21st Baptism Preparation Evening

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

**For Reflection...** Lent is over and the Easter season of joy and celebration has begun. How will you keep this season? "Why do you seek the living one among the dead?" How is God calling you to embrace the Good News of the new life of the Resurrection? Is the basic feeling in the Gospel:

a) confusion?

b) hope?

c) uncertainty?

d) joy?



One thing that doesn't change in our parish is the amount of thought, work and preparation for the most important week of the Christian year. Our collective, heartfelt thanks goes out to all the amazing efforts to properly prepare our major ceremonies. Thanks be to God for your mammoth efforts and

the willingness of so many of you to co-operate and co-ordinate. (Fr Gerry)

# Easter Baptisms

This year, we have the extra joy of celebrating a young Mum who has charmed so many of us by her quiet, prayerful faith.

We welcome

## Míyukí Oda.

Thank you Miyuki for making this triduum the complete celebration that every Easter is meant to be.

Nevertheless, Miyuki's trust and graciousness inspires us of St Kevin's to move ever forward in faith.



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

Maddalena Pavín

Daughter of Michele (Michael and Elena

Little sister of Arianna And Edoardo

### **LITURGY ROSTER**

### Second Sunday of Easter - 10/11th April 2021

1st Read: Acts 4: 32-35 2nd Read: 1 John 5: 1-6 Gospel: John 20: 19-31

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Janet Parsons	Fiona Watson	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	Christine Flannery	Volunteer Family
10.00am	Michael Lynch	Johnson Family	Raffaela Dinelli Lyn Murphy Silvana Rodella	Volunteer Family

We pray for Better Health: Jan Dalton, Lucy Molony, Terry Maher, Jane O'Brien, Paul Bradley, John Rowland, Carmel Purdey, Maria & Werner Beismer, Michael & Mardi Doyle and Dianne (Lorraine Wigraft's sister).

**Anniversaries**:

**Recently Deceased**: Denise Rogers



# Easter Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021





### Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how love and compassion for our global community can transform lives. You have responded to St. Oscar Romero's invitation to "Be More," putting your compassion into action to support some of the world's most vulnerable communities. By aspiring to be more, you have helped change lives.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2021 Lenten appeal.

### SYMBOLS FOR THE EASTER VIGIL

**Wood for the Fire** The celebration of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night begins with an Easter fire outside the Church. This wood will be used in the fire. Fire is a symbol of the powerful presence of God – the light burning in the midst of our darkness.

**The Easter Candle** The flame for our Easter Candle will be lit from the fire. The flame of the candle will remind us that Christ, the light of the world, has risen from the dead and has shattered our darkness. Our own small candles will be lit from this great candle. At our Baptism we were presented with a candle and were invited to keep the light of Christ burning brightly.

**Jug of water** The water in the jug will be blessed at the Eater Vigil as our water of baptism. The whole community will be sprinkled with this water as a sign of our own Baptism. It symbolises the water of the Red Sea through which God's people escaped from slavery to freedom.

In addition to all of the above, let us not forget the Word of God, Bread, Wine, simple table and people.

For information on our Parish Schools please contact:

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St Charles Borromeo Primary School Phone: 9842 7634

Happy Easter!



### Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

The Kingdom of heaven is with us now. We are open to it because, as St Peter says, we must be alive in the Spirit and become fully alive in the life of God. The way of meditation is a way of learning to die to ourselves and our limitations. It is learning to do this today, now; not just when we reach heaven. It is not a matter of finding a way to get through our Christian life. Instead, the New Testament talks of always growing; expanding our heart into the life of the Spirit. We are planted in God through baptism; we grow new shoots for the rest of our lives.

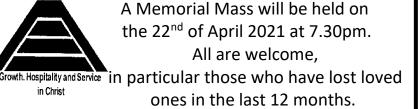
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### What's on our website this week...

- •Looking to spend special time with your children over the holidays? Then check out the 'Childrens and Family Page'! It's full of thought-provoking material as well as fun ideas and activities to keep your children busy.
- •Farewell Event for Me and UooUoo (the Royal Children's Hospital 150 Anniversary Art Trail)

On Saturday 17 April, all 100 sculptures will come together for a special public viewing at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. This is your only chance to see all 100 UooUoos in one place (including the one by our very own Holly O'Brien)! Please use our link to book your place online.

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



As a compassionate people, we are encouraged to come together on this important night in support of all who are grieving the death of a loved one.

At this Mass, we shall also bless the plaques on our memorial wall.

For further information, please contact Lyn Murphy on 9857 4437 or 0419 897582.

#### **Memorial Book:**

If you wish to have a relative or friend inscribed in this precious book, please fill out a form from the table in the Gathering Space and leave them as they will be collected and entered into this book. Thank you.

### The Melbourne Passion Play

which had its beginnings 25 years ago had to be cancelled last year. Each year all the actors and backstage volunteers freely give their time and talent to bring this epic production to life.

Due to crowd limitations, the Passion Play Management team has decided not to stage this event in 2021.

It is hoped that the Passion Play will again resume in 2022 with rehearsals resuming once more during the end of 2021.

In the meantime we encourage everyone to watch a past performance of the Passion Play on YouTube (please see the link in our parish website).

Please take the opportunity to watch this Play.