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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.

**1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2021**

**Year B**

### **Fifth Sunday of Easter First Holy Communions Baptism Presentation Weekend**

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

O sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders;  
in the sight of the nations he has  
shown his deliverance, alleluia.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you,  
says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

#### **Response to Prayers of the Faithful**

Loving God please hear our prayer.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

I am the true vine and you are  
the branches, says the Lord.  
Whoever remains in me,  
and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,  
alleluia.

### **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

At this point in the Easter season it is worth stepping back to see it in perspective. We can imagine it as a great tree that thrusts its roots deep down in the soil even as its trunk and branches grow upward and outwards. The hidden roots draw nourishment from deep under the earth and fuel the visible growth of the tree. The gospel readings for the next two Sundays and for Pentecost Sunday, taken from Jesus' farewell speech to his disciples in the gospel of John, invite us on an interior journey into the depths of our hearts. It is there that Jesus makes his home in us; it is there that the Paraclete teaches us all wisdom. As with the tree, the more our faith is fed from deep within, the stronger is our desire to let love loose in the world. The stories from the Acts of the apostles have already been taking us on an outer journey. They allow us to be present at the birth of the early Church and to accompany its first steps. Under the impetus of the Holy Spirit the Christian way begins to spread, like the branches of the tree. It starts to take shape for all to see. In Eastertide the Church drinks deeply from the well-spring of the Spirit and finds fresh inspiration for its mission in the world.

# 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 in the Parish Chapel.

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

## DIARY DATES FOR MAY:

**1<sup>st</sup>** 2020 First Eucharist Mass

**2<sup>nd</sup>** 2020 First Eucharist Mass  
Baptism Mass

**5<sup>th</sup>** Needlecraft Group @ 1.00pm  
Reconciliation @ 4.15pm  
Confirmation Workshop @ 7pm

**6<sup>th</sup>** Confirmation Retreat

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

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

*many thanks*

## Kadasig Donations

You will be proud to know, we have sent \$2,268 to Kadasig. That's a brilliant response! *Many thanks* to Kadasig Treasurer and fellow parishioner, Cris Nicolli. And *many thanks* to all of you too!

## Project Compassion

We have also sent over \$1,000 to Caritas so far. If you haven't as yet brought in your Project Compassion contribution, please do so TODAY. *Many thanks*

## Thank You

also to the kind people who 'uber eats' delivered my Sunday lunch!  
Very much appreciated – yummy!



**UBER**

**EATS** Fr Gerry

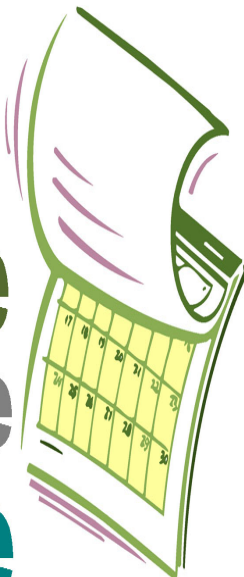
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### What's new in our website this week...

- News of Plenary delegates' commissioning on Plenary Post.
- Sr Joan Chittister's convocation presentation.

**Mass Count** We are now in the month of May – so counters please count the number of folk who are at Mass. Counting (numbers) sheets are on the bench in the sacristy near the money bags.

**Save  
the  
Date**



SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY

## FR GERRY'S FAREWELL LUNCH

We are celebrating a Farewell Lunch for our beloved Parish Priest, Fr Gerry, on the above date in the Glendalough Centre (St Kevin's Primary School Hall).

Bookings and payment will be made online from 8<sup>th</sup> May. Registration and payment details will be provided in next week's newsletter. If you require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office. Please note that this weekend (22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> May) will be the final opportunity to attend a Mass celebrated by Fr Gerry. In the meantime, please keep these dates free and help us make Fr Gerry's final weekend with us a most joyous occasion.

# LITURGY ROSTER

Sixth Sunday of Easter – 8/9<sup>th</sup> May 2021

1<sup>st</sup> Read: Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48 2<sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 John 4: 7-10 Gospel: John 15: 9-17

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Peter Howes	The D'Costa Family	Anne Maguire Bredenia Raquel	Volunteer Family
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Paul Polidano	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	Volunteer Family
8.45am	Ken Sharpe	Des Rigby	Christine Flannery	Volunteer Family
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Mishika Perera	Kaye Byrne 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, Marie Robson and Angelina Amalfi

**Anniversaries:** Domenico Iracono, Maria Iacono, Kevin Steven Cheng Su Kong, Maria Mandile and Roberto Milanese

**Recently Deceased:**

## First Communion - Wow!

The Parish of St Kevin's welcomes twenty lucky and delightful children who come to the Table of the Lord for the first time, this weekend. Congratulations and welcome to:

Juliet Abdo Sam Bertuna

Dhevin Fernando Jack Fisher

Max Halliburton Sarina Hammet

Corey Harrison Carla Rose Kapakoulakis

Zac Lecordier Isabelle Luxmoore

Ethan Ridgway-Holland Marcus Stephan

Xavier Stephan Ava Todorcevski

Zeke Van Nieuwkerk Nina Ellen Waddick

Sylvie Grace Waddick Joshua Waldren

Lucia Waldren Mila Zampichelli

And for a blessing... Joud Istanboulie



## First Reconciliation



**Congratulations** to our children who will be receiving Reconciliation for the very first time this week.

May our Holy Father bless you all and us, that we may come to grow in love for each other and for Him.

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

Nicolas Lorenzo Teh Escobar

Son of Erick and Monica  
Little brother of Adelina, Erika and Miguel

and



Matteo Andrew Bruno  
Woollard

Son of Scott and Loretta

## **Baptisms Welcome!**

This weekend we welcome:

**Robert and Aimy Davis**

who will be introducing

**Ailee Maureen Davis**

to our Parish Community in preparation for her Baptism next weekend.

Celebration  
of the  
Sacrament of Baptism



For information on our Parish Schools please contact:

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

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



**5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

From the New Testament we learn that there is only one prayer – the prayer of Christ. It is a prayer that continues in our hearts day and night. It is the stream of love always flowing between Jesus and the Father. It is the Spirit. To be fully human, we need to be open to the stream of love. We allow this prayer to become *our* prayer. To do this we learn a way of praying: we find a space within to lead us to the prayer of Jesus. It is the way of silence and stillness.

### **ST KEVIN'S SOCIAL JUSTICE 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTIONS**

The second collection for the month of May will be for our friends at Kadasig who co-ordinate assistance to needy communities in the Philippines including Loyo where one of our school staff members (Fulvia Gerosolimo) has visited.

***You're Invited*** to a zoom session on **Parish Lay Leadership** with experienced people from New Zealand, from 5.30-7.30pm on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May. Considering our proposal for Lay Leadership here at St Kevin's, you may well be interested. Please contact [richard@curtain-consulting.net.au](mailto:richard@curtain-consulting.net.au) to register and receive the zoom link.



**We  
Need  
Your  
Help  
Please**

### ***Transport Required***

For a new parishioner who lives in Templestowe Village in Fitzsimons Lane, to come to 10.00am Sunday morning Mass. Please contact the Parish Office or speak with Rebecca.

### ***Lectors and Commentators***

We are **desperate** for all three of our weekend Masses. Please help if you can!

### **LOYO Elementary - Our new Sister Community in the Philippines**

Our St Kevin's community are proud to learn more of our new sister Community so that we can understand their needs and better assist them. To do this we've sponsored one of our dedicated teachers- Fulvia Gerolisimo – who has embarked on a missionary trip to the Philippines to experience first hand our newly sponsored community of 'LOYO'.

Here follows a recent report:

*We noticed there was no shelter for the children to play or sit under when they were outside. They played in the heat seeking shelter from a tree or from the eaves of current classrooms. KADASIG Aid and the Barangay officials suggested we build a shelter for the children. I received photos from Marwen, (staff of KADASIG Aid in Cebu) of Loyo Elementary to show the progress of the shelter.*

*After this project is complete we will still have approximately \$4,500.00 in the Loyo account. I will continue to discuss with the principal and Barangay captain other needs of Loyo Elementary and support where it is best needed for all the children to benefit. I will keep you informed along the way so please rest assured your generous donations are being used to provide what is best for these children.*

Further information and progress photos can be found on our website.