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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.

7/8th August, 2021

Year B

Feast of St Mary MacKillop

The Parish of St Kevin's Templestowe warmly welcomes:

Fr Paul Connell

who will be our Presider for all of our Masses this weekend.

Living the Gospel –

Don't be distracted

When we read in today's gospel that we are "not to worry", the word, *worry*, might better be translated as *distracted*.

Jesus says to not be distracted or consumed by the pursuit of money, food and nice clothes.

He says that it is the gentiles – those who do not know the love of God – who set their hearts on attaining these things.

We are immersed in a culture in society that values these outward signs of success above all else.

The challenge is to avoid being caught up in the *distractions* of our material society.

One way to do that is through regular prayer and reflection.

Entrance Antiphon

Come, you blessed of my Father,
says the Lord:

I was sick and you visited me.

Amen, I say to you:

whatever you did for one of the least of
my brethren, you did it for me.

Responsorial Psalm

My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Many women were there by the cross,
watching from a distance,
the same women who had followed
Jesus and looked after him.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

This is how all will know that you are
my disciples,
if you have love for one another, says
the Lord.

What's happening in our Parish this week?...

Saturday	5.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass
Tuesday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Service of the Word with Communion
Wednesday	9.30am	Christian Meditation in the Parish Chapel
	11.00am	Adoration
	1.00pm	Needlecraft Group
Thursday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Service of the Word with Communion
Friday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Service of the Word with Communion
Saturday	5.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass



ST MARY MACKILLOP

The story of Australia's first official saint, Mary MacKillop (1842-1909), is well known and easily accessed. Rather than re-tell it, let Mary speak to us in her own words:

*Believe in the whisperings of God to your own heart.
Never see a need without doing something about it.*

Be full of forgiveness, hope and love.

*Try at least to excuse what you cannot understand
and bear in mind that you have only to answer for
your own faults.*

*Let us show love in our actions,
bearing with one another,
forgiving and forgetting.*

*Seek first the poorest and most neglected parts of
God's vineyard...*

And finally, to her Sisters:

*Whatever troubles may be before you,
accept them cheerfully,
remembering whom you are trying to follow.
Do not be afraid.*

*Love one another, bear with one another,
and let charity guide you in all your life.*



National Vocations Awareness Week

Today is the feast of St Mary MacKillop, our first Australian saint. Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community. Pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. COME & SEE! Due to Covid restrictions the information session date has been moved into September. No longer on Saturday 14 August, the Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on Saturday 4 September, 10-11.45am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne. For further information contact Deacon Kevin Pattison: Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au

First Holy Communions which were scheduled to take place for most of August have been postponed to October where they will be celebrated by our new Parish Priest, Fr Charles Balnaves. Please refer to our website for further details.

LITURGYROSTER

Feast of the Assumption – 14/15th August 2021

1st Read: Apocalypse 11: 19; 12: 1-6, 10 2nd Read: Col 15: 20-26 Gospel: Luke 1: 39-56

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Fiona Watson	Margaret Turner	Anne Maguire
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Paul Polidano	Betty Natoli
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Carmel Shiel	Kaye Byrne

We pray for Better Health: Jan Dalton, Jane O'Brien, Paul Bradley, Pat & John Rowland, Maria & Werner Beisner, Michael & Mardi Doyle, Marie Robson, Angelina Amalfi, Fr Brendan Dillon, Faye O'Toole and Paul Materazzo.

Anniversaries: Jim Baruta, Ron Herbert (3), Elaine Viney (2), Patricia Lo Giudice (2) and Peter McNamara.

Recently Deceased:

Thank you to all who contributed towards the **Annual Propagation of the Faith Appeal** last weekend

For we CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD
ACTS 4:20

Thank you so much for your generous support of Church-run mission programs like the Mother and Babies Home in Thailand through last week's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Your gift helps to continue the work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters as they support vulnerable mothers and their babies, as well as many other mission programs around the world.

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter.



CatholicCare Weekend Appeal

Next weekend we shall be conducting the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help CatholicCare to ensure that those in need in our community can continue to access vital counselling services, emergency relief, transitional housing and educational support. If you don't have your donation with you, please take an envelope home and return it directly to CatholicCare. Thank you for your generosity.

Have you checked out our Parish Website lately?

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In it you will find some thought-provoking and motivating articles to read about in our **Interesting Articles** area.

Also more articles of interest to read have been placed in our **Plenary Council** page. It helps us to keep informed with the progress of our upcoming plenary scheduled to occur in October.

Our busy senior students of St Kevin's primary school have also contributed some clever artwork and reflections of the Gospel Reading in our **Children's and Family** page.

All in all there is something for everyone!

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Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network

We do not make the journey to God on our own. Even though we seem to 'plan' what we will do and when we do it, God sets us on this path. We learn to let God guide us, through the community. By respecting the community, by living in openness and freedom with others, we are better able to pray our mantra with faithfulness. In the community we learn to be generous, to put ourselves aside, to be poor in spirit.

A Solemn Prayer and Blessing for St Mary MacKillop (St Mary of the Cross)

Through the example of St Mary of the Cross, may we learn to recognize God's will for us and trust in his providence.

Amen

May her life of service awaken in us a deep respect for the poor and strong will for justice.

Amen

May we share in her courage, see with the eyes of Christian love, and learn from her holy deeds.

Amen

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on us and remain with us for ever.

Amen.



***"Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and
on his righteousness, and all these other
things will be given you as well"***

Matthew 6: 25-34

The Church signifies and builds up the shared life of God's Kingdom. This calls all members of the Church to continual conversion from self-serving egoism to self-giving love and a willingness to "bear each other's burdens" (Gal 6: 2).

(Instrumentum Laboris #83)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/

Listen to What the Spirit is Saying

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.