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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.

**29/30<sup>th</sup> January, 2022**

**Year C**

### **Baptism Presentation Mass Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

***Our Presider today is:*** Fr Charles Balnaves

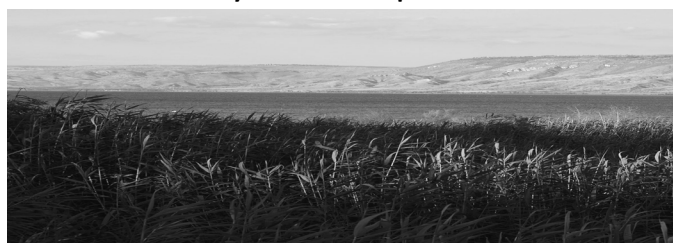
#### ***Living the Gospel – They Were Astonished***

Jesus preaches the briefest of homilies, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen,' yet he wins the approval of all and the people were astonished by his gracious words!

The reaction appears a bit overdone. However, the people knew the significance of the first part of the text Jesus quoted, 'The spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me.' They recognised that this language referred to the Messiah.

When Jesus said that the text was being fulfilled as they listened he was laying claim to this status.

Of course they were impressed!



#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Save us, O Lord our God!  
And gather us from the nations,  
to give thanks to your holy name,  
and make it our glory to praise you.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

I will sing of your salvation.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to  
the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

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

Hear us, we pray.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Let your face shine on your servant.  
Save me in your merciful love.  
O Lord, let me never be put to shame,

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

<b>Saturday</b>	5.30pm	Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass (Baptism Presentations @ 10am)
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
	6.00pm	Partnered Parishes Council Meeting @ St Gregory's
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Christian Meditation
	11.00am	Adoration
	1.00pm	Needlecraft Group
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
<b>Friday</b>	9.15am	Service of the Word with Communion
<b>Saturday</b>	5.30pm	Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass (Baptisms @ 10am)



## Full, Active and Conscious Participation

As I have got to know what is in the rooms of the churches and offices at St Greg's and St Kevin's over the past four months I found a book: "The Sunday Mass Five Years from Now." I started reading it a few days ago and I find no surprises, so far. What it gives is affirmation of the truth that we celebrate Mass together – it is not me celebrating *for you*, but me presiding *with you* in celebrating. A consequence of that truth is that Full, Active and Conscious participation is demanded of each and every person present. It also reminds me of the truth that celebration of Word and Eucharist is done 24/7, not just for an hour or two on Sunday. The Mass is vitally important in giving nourishment so the community of the body of Christ that we are can act lovingly in the day to day world.

How can you participate? In ways you aren't already participating? At Mass and preparing for Mass and in broader parish life? What gifts do you want to bring?

Thank you to our Liturgy Group: who share the effort of looking at how we want to keep our liturgies / Masses alive and vibrant and doing the work to make that happen. At St Greg's and St Kevin's we need extra people for the Parish Pastoral Councils. Here at St Kevin's we need people to help with Covid-marshalling. At both parishes we need help with operating the computer and providing music/singing at some Masses.

How can you help? It may be some other area of effort that can enliven our parishes. Please, give me a call or send an email to the parish email: let me know what you would like to help with.

And! Welcome to Tiziana D'Costa who has this past week started her role as Lay Ecclesial Leader at St Kevin's. Welcome indeed! And thank you for taking up this call.

God bless, Fr Charles

# LITURGY ROSTER

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5/6<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**1<sup>st</sup> Read: Isaiah 6: 1-8 2<sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor 15: 1-11 Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11**

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Tiziana D'Costa	Kathy Pearce	
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Pauline Erickson	Betty Natoli
10.00am	Miriam Ayoub	Michael Lynch	Pat Rowland

**We pray for Better Health:** Jan Dalton, Jane O'Brien, Maria & Werner Beismer, Michael & Mardi Doyle, Angelina Amalfi, Fr Brendan Dillon and Mike Westbrook.

**Anniversaries:** Doug Wise, Peter Bonser, Karla Giannini and Norma & Michael Giannini.

**Recently Deceased:**

## ***Hello St Kevin's Community!***

My name is Tiziana D'Costa and I am your new Lay Ecclesial Leader.

I love the St Kevin's Community and its wonderful spirit. I have been a parishioner for a long while and my children attended St Kevin's Primary School. I feel humbled and privileged to have been chosen as your leader.



I am optimistic about the future. I look forward to travelling with you all as we find a way to be a Church responsive to the needs of the community in 2022 and beyond. Please come and say hello after Mass or feel free to contact me at the parish house if you have any questions, feedback or suggestions.

***Blessings, Tiziana***

## ***Baptisms Welcome!***

*This weekend we welcome:*

**Christopher and Lauren Akers**

who will be introducing

**Marcus Michael**

**and**

**Sandro and Savanna Cappellotto**

who will be introducing

**Arleia Kaur**

**and**

**Cleojeet Kaur Ferns' Abel**

to our Parish Community in preparation for their Baptisms next weekend.

Celebration  
of the  
Sacrament of Baptism



## **The Parish of St Gregory the Great**

is seeking to employ a part-time Parish Secretary for three days a week from Wednesday to Friday, 9am 4.30pm.



The successful applicant would have extensive office management/secretarial skills with a proactive 'can-do' approach to providing high quality and effective support to the various parish groups and the Parish Priest. More information can be found on our website. Please email your application to Fr Charles Balnaves by 5.00pm on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> February: [Charles.Balnaves@cam.org.au](mailto:Charles.Balnaves@cam.org.au)

## ***Checking in at Mass – Volunteers Please!***

The State Government still requires us to enter the details of those who use the manual sign-in sheet into Services Victoria. This really should be done after each Mass. So we are looking for a volunteer who, most of the time, attends the same Mass to enter the details after Mass. It is a very easy job and training will be provided. If you are able to do this please contact the Parish House or Viannev Shiel on 0414 466 596.

Next Sunday is "**Word of God Sunday**". It is celebrated on the 1st Sunday of February each year. Pope Francis reminds us to receive the Scriptures "not as a human word but as what it really is, the word of God". They are not just words. It is the Holy Spirit that "makes human words written in human fashion become the word of God". When we read the Scriptures, we are entering into a true dialogue of salvation.

*For information on our Parish  
Schools please contact:*

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

*St Charles Borromeo Primary School  
Phone: 9842 7634*

Our first **Parish Council Meeting** for the New Year will be conducted with our partnered parish – St Gregory the Great, at 6.00pm on Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> February at Doncaster, beginning with a celebratory meal. If you are interested in joining this dynamic team, and therefore making a positive difference to our parishes, please let Fr Charles know.



## **The Liturgy of the Word: Some Useful Principles**

1. The Scriptural Word is proclaimed in order to be realised **here and now**, in this particular assembly that is addressed by it. The proclamation of the Word is a **saving event**.
2. Scripture texts are about **experience**, not just ideas. Every text arose out of a specific experience of God (inspiration) and is intended to speak, through the Spirit, to the experience of those to whom it is proclaimed in order to renew faith and open them to God.
3. Scripture is meant to illuminate our experience, to awaken holy aspirations, challenge resistance and complacency, fortify, impart spiritual strength, bestow peace and arouse joy.
4. The Scriptures arise in cultures that used symbolic modes of communication. Hence, to identify, receive fully and work with the **images** presented in the text is often an excellent way of entering into the experience from which the texts arise in the first place.
5. When the hearer internalises the images, they tend to create resonances with his or her own experience, thus favouring a **participation** rather than a purely intellectual comprehension.
6. The liturgy as a whole – and in particular the liturgical readings – is first of all **mystagogical**, that is, it is intended to initiate us into the Mystery. The liturgy is not first and foremost about morals; morality follows as consequence, it is not first.
7. Mystagogy reveals to us **who we are in God's eyes** and it draws us into a gracious and transforming relationship, through the action of the Spirit, with the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the God of revelation and salvation.
8. The **Responsorial Psalm** models and shapes our response as an assembly gathered for worship, drawing us into the Mystery.
9. The liturgy **evangelises** when the Word engages people where they are truly open; it is especially effective when it touches their lives at those points where they feel they are incomplete, vulnerable, dissatisfied, in search of something more...