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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.

5/6th February, 2022

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Baptisms Sunday - Word of God Sunday

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Presider today is: Fr Gerry McKernan

From the PP's Desk...

Parish Pastoral Councils: the Parish Pastoral Councils for both St Gregory the Great and St Kevin's parishes met together face to face for the first time last week. The gathering was successful, cooperative, co-responsible: so far so that we agreed to hold a joint meeting regularly about once a quarter. The two major discussion areas were Holy Week services (see below) and the future of our parishes: the dreams / directions / visions / possibilities / enriching of the past and present / changing so that we can also grow as disciples who go out and make disciples. We didn't set down detailed plans: that will come and I together with a team will start looking at some details. What we did do was start to find our areas of commonality, and strengths, and desire for our parishes. A clear desire for both parishes is to rejuvenate after Covid-19 – to continue to reawaken as a community and revisit / review / strengthen our existing ways of being parish and along with that seek out ways for growth. The Holy Spirit is indeed strong among us!

Lent/Easter Services: One of the major discussions at our joint Pastoral Council meeting was how best I can be present across both St Gregory's and St Kevin's for the Ash Wednesday and Holy Week services that are needed. We were able to arrive at an agreed balance that enables my presence at all the major ceremonies for both parishes. Most results were obvious but what was remarkable was that where there was discussion the outcome reached brought in thoughts none of us had formed at the start of the discussion: at a local level, in a small way, that is called a synodal discussion. Congratulations to all involved and thank you. We will publish the Lent/Easter ceremonies as we get nearer to Ash Wednesday. I am about to order books for our Lenten Discussions so get started organising yourselves so you can start up your group or form a new one – sign-up sheets will be provided. In person and via videoconference are both feasible and acceptable (and have worked well).

God bless, Fr Charles

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

Saturday	5.30pm	Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass (Baptisms @ 10am)
Tuesday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
Wednesday	9.30am	Christian Meditation
	11.00am	Adoration
	1.00pm	Needlecraft Group
Thursday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
	7.30pm	Liturgy Team Meeting
Friday	9.15am	Service of the Word with Communion
Saturday	5.30pm	Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass (School Staff Commissioning Mass @ 10am)



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

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

Marcus Michael Akers

Son of Christopher and Lauren
Little brother of Ethan

and

Cleojeet Kaur Ferns'Abel

and

Arleia Kaur Cappellotto

Daughter of Sandro and Savana
Sister of Mia



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,
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, 11th February:
Charles.Balnaves@cam.org.au



LITURGY ROSTER

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5/6th February 2022

1st Read: Isaiah 6: 1-8 2nd 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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 12/13th February 2022

1st Read: Jeremiah 17: 5-8 2nd Read: 1 Cor 15: 12, 16-20 Gospel: Luke 6: 17, 20-26

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Fiona Watson	Kathy Pearce	Margaret Turner
8.30am	Paul Polidano	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli
10.00am	Vianney Shiel	Tony Byrne	Kaye Byrne

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

Anniversaries: Frances Patricia Alexander, Lewis Calleja, Mary Colnon, Nellie Doolan, Tim Mullin, Estefan Rosales, Domenico & Maria Salvo, Chris Mullens, Patricia Dyson and Brenda Mary Hatten

Recently Deceased:

Schools' Commissioning Mass and Welcome to Prep Families Mass Sunday 13th February @ 10.00am

Mass is part of the celebration of our refurbished Church. This Mass is also the occasion of our community's welcome to families starting this year at our schools. Third (and perhaps most importantly) at this Mass we shall commission our parish groups and teachers to serve the reign of God in 2022. Let us start the school year well.

Word of God Sunday

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – 6th February in 2022. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodssunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

Our first **Liturgy Team Meeting** for the New Year will be conducted on Thursday, 10th February at 7.30pm in our Church Gathering Space. A chance to review Christmas Masses and prepare for Lent/Easter. If you are interested in joining this dynamic team, and therefore making a positive difference to our Masses, please let Fr Charles know.

Yesterday is history, tomorrow is
a mystery, today is a gift of God,
which is why we call it the present.

Our **Second Collection** for the month of February will go towards our neighbours in Tonga who are struggling to deal with the aftermath of the recent volcanic eruption and ensuing tsunami. Our friends at Caritas Australia have set up a fund collection point which we can contribute towards.

*For information on our Parish
Schools please contact:*

St Kevin's Primary School
Phone: 9273 9999

St Charles Borromeo Primary School
Phone: 9842 7634



Responsorial Psalm

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Loving God please hear our prayer.

**CHINESE/KOREAN/VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR –
Tuesday, 1st February is the beginning of the
fourteen days of celebration for Lunar New Year.
We wish our parishioners a Happy New Year!**



Chaplaincy Appeal 2022

Next weekend is the Chaplaincy Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes for the purpose of supporting the vital work of our Catholic chaplains. The Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in hospitals, prisons and youth justice centres, and those living with HIV/AIDS. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest hours and times of need.

Please give generously.

You can donate using the envelopes available or online at
www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

HYMN

Little flower let us pray
The world gets madder every day
There's little I can understand
The anxious hearts, the broken land.
All I want to know is you
Your leaves so green, your petals blue
Your beautiful humility
Are made of love and sanity.
Little flower let us pray
Together in this childish way
For there within your petals curled
Lies wisdom that would heal the world.



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