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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.

30th April/1st May, 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

Year C

From the PP's Desk... Safeguarding Our Children

On Wednesday evening I sat with Rebecca and others from St Kevin's working through our next steps in seeking to further our plans to implement a conscious culture of caring for children and young people. I was reminded of a management course I did in about 1982 in the middle of winter up in Olinda—almost as cold as growing up in Canberra. One small element of the course focussed on competence. Continuous improvement involves recognising an issue that needs improvement, then implementing ways in which we can progress from unconscious incompetence, to conscious incompetence, to conscious competence, to unconscious competence. At the end we are able to deal with that issue almost automatically and then we can move on to identify the next issue of concern and the improvement that is needed.

As "The Catholic Church" we know that historically we, the broad Church, have failed our young people abysmally in the abuse that happened. Indeed, I know of people within our parishes who have personally been affected.

We also know that we ardently want to improve in ourselves so that individual and collective failure never occurs again.

The meeting on Wednesday started laying out plans for:

- How we can undertake risk assessment and mitigation in a practical way with all groups.
- How we can help educate each other about safeguarding children and young people (we want to keep everyone safe but are starting with the most vulnerable).
- How we can broaden the capacity we have to do these things by sharing the effort between St Greg's and St Kevin's.
- Asking all volunteers to once again sign a code of conduct.

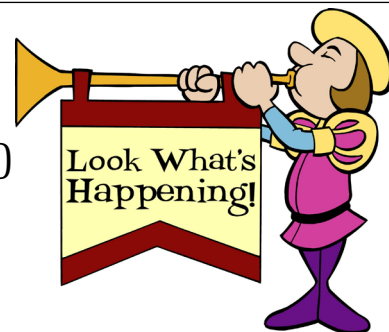
I thought I knew all I needed about keeping children safe: I raised two sons and I am a bit clever. I am learning new things each time we progress more deeply into this process of Safeguarding our Children. Please, be open to journeying with me and the committee as we progress.

Seminarian: Starting in the near future, we will have the pleasure and grace to have Tuong Nguyen, a fourth year seminarian, living with us for the rest of the year, through till about Christmas. Tuong will be learning about living parish life, expanding his experience of parish ministry and pastoral work, and continuing to discern his vocation. In addition, we will have extra hands to help us in invigorating our parish. I have accepted the request to house and guide seminarians every time there has been a request (four so far in six years) because it is only amongst you that the vocation to be a diocesan priest can be fully discerned. Our responsibility is significant, we are up to it because Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are truly present with us.

Happy Easter and God bless, Fr Charles

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

Saturday	5.30pm	Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass (Baptisms @ 10.00am)
Tuesday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
	1.00pm	Needlecraft Group
Wednesday	9.30am	Christian Meditation in Chapel and on zoom (please contact the Parish Office to provide email address)
	11.00am	Adoration
Thursday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
Saturday	5.30pm	Mass (Reconciliation Commitment Mass)
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Mass (Reconciliation Commitment at 10.00am)



MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC

Sunday 22 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne

In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21-22 May.



Tuong
Nguyen

Welcome to Tuong Nguyen who will be a part of our parishes until Christmas. Tuong is a fourth year seminarian. He will reside at St Greg's presbytery but will be a resource for both parishes. His purpose is to gain an understanding and real experience of pastoral life, life in a parish and its schools with parishioners and parents/families/children of schools and all the ups and downs which that entails.

Our aim is to provide him with plenty of (sensible) challenge and to help him in his discernment of vocation. We can also aim to have Tuong help us develop ministry in the parishes by using his hands, his gifts, his interests to pursue things that otherwise we would not have the time to get started on. Every year is important in seminary formation but Fourth Year has a particular importance because it is the first real, deep, experience of living 'in the community of the parish.' With you, I am charged to help open him gain real insights into himself in the context of living this life.

Fr Charles

Mass Count As we enter the month of May it is time for our Annual Mass Count. Counters are requested to count the number of folk who are at Mass. Counting sheets will be provided on the bench in the sacristy near the money bags.

Next Sunday we celebrate **Good Shepherd Sunday** – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

LITURGY ROSTER

Third Sunday of Easter – 30th April/1st May 2022

1st Read: Acts 5: 27-32. 40-41 2nd Read: Apocalypse 5: 11-14 Gospel: John 21: 1-19

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Pauline Erickson	Kathy Pearce	Lynne O'Brien
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Kirsten Collins	Betty Natoli
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Mishika Perera	Kaye Byrne Jo Batiller

Fourth Sunday of Easter – 7/8th May 2022

1st Read: Acts 13: 14, 43-52 2nd Read: Apocalypse 7: 9, 14-17 Gospel: John 10: 27-30

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Margaret Mangan	Janet Parsons	Bredenia Raquel
8.30am	Kirsten Collins	Paul Polidano	Mary Waddick
10.00am	Julie O'Donnell	Lucy Halliburton	Lyn Robinson Tony Robinson

We pray for Better Health: Michael Doyle, Angelina Amalfi, Fr Brendan Dillon, Mike Westbrook, Jill Hodson, Fiona Watson, Jan Dalton, Ella Dunn, Richard Ryan Kim Bedford and Betty Natoli.

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

Recently Deceased: Anthony Smyth

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

Florence Leigh Pope

Daughter of Fraser and Stephanie
Little sister of Ava

and

Isla Josephine Tucci

Daughter of Simon and Jessica
Little sister of Lewis and Tom



First Reconciliation

Next week, our 5.30pm Saturday evening and 10.00am Sunday morning Masses, will be **Reconciliation Commitment Masses**. Please come and pray for our children as they continue along their faith journey.

A **Formation Commitment Session** is currently being organised for our Readers and Commentators. This is the perfect opportunity for our current Readers and Commentators to receive some ideas on how to make our Masses even more meaningful. Also, if you were thinking of joining our dynamic team of volunteers, simply let us know. More information to follow soon. Watch this space...



The Parish of St Kevin's is seeking volunteers to be a part of a committee to enrich our parish's safeguarding.

A meeting is being held on Wednesday, 25th May at 7.30pm here in our Gathering Space to discuss this issue and discover ways to enhance our current safeguarding guidelines.

All are invited to attend to listen and to put forward more ideas on keeping our children safe.

If you would like further information, please contact Rebecca in the parish office.

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

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, graciously hear us.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading

[Acts 5: 27-32. 40-41](#)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

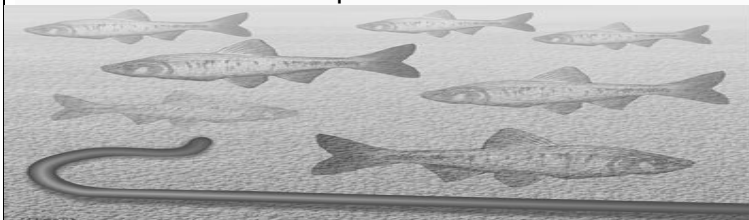
Second Reading

[Rv 5: 11-14](#)

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.



You are warmly invited to **pray the Rosary on Zoom** during May. **The Zoom Rosary** will be held each Wednesday evening at 7pm. The dates are:
May 4th – the Joyful Mysteries
May 11th – the Sorrowful Mysteries
May 18th – the Glorious Mysteries
May 25th – the Luminous Mysteries
More information is available from the noticeboard in the Gathering Space.

Building the Church we Need – A series of zoom events focused on Church renewal.

Join us over four Monday evenings in May as we focus on synodality, governance and leadership of the Church in the context of Church renewal. You'll learn from an outstanding line-up of local and international experts including Mary McAleese, Francis Sullivan, Fr Chris Monaghan, Massimo Faggioli and John Warhurst. More information is available from our website.