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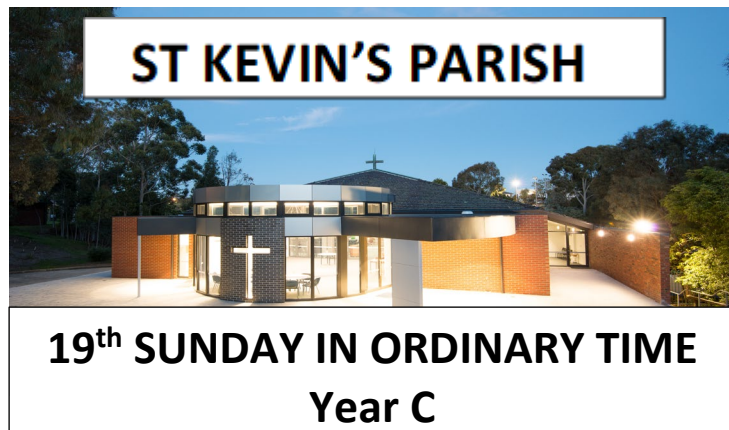
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Parish Office Hours: Tue to Fri: 9am to 4pm

Pastoral Worker: Mrs Rebecca Sandwell

Lay Ecclesial Leader: Mrs Tiziana D'Costa

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Balnaves



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.

6/7th August, 2022 NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

From the PP's Desk...

SAFEGUARDING

If you didn't hear the message last week: we need urgently to bring our Safeguarding records up-to-date.

I've had a couple of comments about not wanting to puff ourselves up as good people, or feeling put out because there is no trust in the world, or that these checks are a waste of time as they are reactive.

These checks are not about these things at all.

For a start they are confidential: you are known to be compliant by the fact of being a volunteer.

These checks are about making a statement and taking action to keep safeguarding children, and indeed all people, in our minds as a conscious behaviour, maintaining an appropriate awareness of keeping an eye out for things that might put our children at risk.

Please do comply, it is a small thing.

There are three things we need to do:

1. Sign the Code-of-Conduct again: it's been three years and a renewal is mandated.
2. Check your Working With Children Check (WWCC):
 - a. Is it still current? Good: if yes then do you have St Kevin's Parish included as your volunteer organisation (with the St Kevin's Church not school address). Include the schools also if you help out there sometimes.
 - b. No? Not current? Please get it renewed ASAP and ensure St Kevin's is named. Please don't volunteer till you have got the renewal process underway – and please let us know you are applying.
3. If you are a volunteer and don't have a WWCC:
 - a. Please put in an application for a WWCC as soon as possible, including St Kevin's as a volunteer organisation.
 - b. Please don't volunteer until your application is underway (and let us know you have applied).

Volunteers are all people who help around the church on a regular or semi-regular basis.

The net is cast wide by Government and the Archdiocese so if in doubt please get a check.

WWCCs are free for volunteers and your photo can be taken using your computer's camera.

We can help at the office if needed: please call or drop in.

God bless, Fr Charles

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



Saturday	5.30pm	Baptism Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Masses (Baptisms at 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	First Communion Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Masses (First Communions at 10.00am)

This year's **Knights of the Southern Cross, Priests Support and Education Fund, Archbishop's Dinner** will be held on **Friday, 19th August** at Moonee Valley Racecourse, 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Cost is \$150 per person
Come and meet the Fund's Patron, the **Most Reverend Peter Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne** and be entertained by our Guest Speaker, **Emeritus Professor Greg Craven** and our **compere Bryan Martin, OAM**.
Parishioners can contact David Perrin on 9842 4951 to arrange payment and tickets.



St Kevin's Men's Social Group begins next week!

Open to men of any age (older teenagers are welcome with their guardian) - parishioners and non parishioners alike.

All welcome. Invite a friend, relative or neighbour along.

When: 7.30pm, Friday, 12 August - in the Gathering Space. Supper provided.

BYO alcoholic drinks. \$7 donation suggested to cover costs. For catering purposes, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the entry of the church, or you can ring the parish office on 9850 5983, or email Tiziana at tiziana.dcosta@cam.org.au



Thank You to Michael (Mike) Westbrook and his family for the bequeathment of \$300 towards our Parish. Thank you also to those of you who attended his wake last Monday. He will be sadly missed.

Funeral Notice

The Funeral of Antonietta D'Adam will be held here at St Kevin's Church on Wednesday, 10th August. Rosary will commence at 10.30am followed directly by Funeral Mass at 10.45am.



Monday, 8th August, we celebrate the **Feast Day** of our very own **Australian Saint – St Mary MacKillop**.

Mass will be celebrated at St Charles Borromeo Primary School at 10.00am, together with the whole school, and at St Gregory the Great Church at 5.00pm. All welcome.

Congratulations to the winners of our recent blanket raffle. The winners are: Pam Cohen, Carmel Shiel and Clarissa Ortega. Thank you to all of you who purchased tickets and supported us in any way. We managed to raise \$270 which will go towards purchasing more materials.

LITURGY ROSTER

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 6/7th August 2022

1st Read: Wisdom 18: 6-9 2nd Read: Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19 Gospel: Luke 12: 32-48

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Margaret Mangan	Peter Howes	Lawrence Ceconello
8.30am	Rebecca Sandwell	Paul Polidano	Pat Rowland
10.00am	Frances Johnson	Liz O'Connell	Carmel Purdey Lyn Murphy

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 13/14th August 2022

1st Read: Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10 2nd Read: Hebrews 12: 1-4 Gospel: Luke 12: 49-53

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Pauline Erickson	Kathy Pearce	Anne Maguire
8.30am	Kirsten Collins	Paul Polidano	Mary Waddick
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Miriam Ayoub	Kaye Byrne Joe Batiller

We pray for Better Health: Michael Doyle, Angelina Amalfi, Fr Brendan Dillon, Jill Hodson, Ella Dunn, Betty Natoli, Rick Gaillardetz, Bastine D'Cruz, Mary Calleja and Batoul Barak.

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

Recently Deceased: Antonietta D'Adams

A Word From Our Lay Ecclesial Leader...

'Who is my neighbour?' asks the lawyer in Luke's Gospel. Jesus replies with the parable of the Good Samaritan (Lk 10:15-37). The Good Samaritan, moved with compassion, goes out of his way to help a stranger. Recently, we ran a second collection for families with urgent special needs. Thank you to all our good samaritans for your generous support. The families have received your help with gratitude.

Blessings, Tiziana

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

Aliyah Alice and Eve Ida Bury

Daughters of Andrew and Laura

Chimjimakaoma Zayne Enyi

Son of Blessing and Munachi

Little brother of Chiziterem

Julian Noah Jayawardena

Son of Nathan and Jennifer

Luka Nardelli

Son of Robert and Lauren

Little brother of Mia

and

Eva Rose Spyropoulos

Daughter of Nicholas and Deanna



Next weekend, at both the 5.30pm Saturday evening Mass and the 10.00am Sunday morning Mass, our schoolchildren will be receiving their very First Eucharist. Please come and pray for our children as they continue along their faith journey.

The Feast of the Assumption of Mary

On Monday, 15th August, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this Feast, Catholics celebrate Mary going to heaven. Everyone is welcome to join us and our St Kevin's schoolchildren at Mass @ 9.15am as this is a day of obligation on the official Roman Catholic Church calendar.

Next weekend, we will be conducting the Annual **CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal**. Please come prepared to support their great works to empower people.



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

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord hear our prayer.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS OF THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Wisdom 18: 6-9

A number of factors make this reading from the book of Wisdom difficult to follow. It has been plucked from a long section of the book inspired by the story of the plagues in Egypt. Several of the plagues are recalled in order to contrast the fate of the Egyptians with the salvation of the Israelites. The author presumes familiarity with the original account in the book of Exodus. Secondly, the selected passage not only begins with no explanatory introduction, but continues to the end without clear indicators as to its background. Thirdly, it is written in high literary style, possibly by a Jewish scholar in Alexandria versed in Hebrew poetry and Greek philosophy. The night referred to at the start is that on which the first-born of the Egyptians were slain and those of the Israelites spared. It was the night of the first Passover, when the devout "offered sacrifice in secret" and struck a "divine pact."

None of this is immediately clear; the language is allusive rather than indicative. The last phrase – "the hymns of the fathers" – makes a fortuitous connection with the second reading in praise of ancestors Abraham and Sarah.

The link with the gospel seems to have been prompted by Jesus' advice that his disciples should be "dressed for action" as the Israelites were on the night of their deliverance.

Second Reading

Hebrews 11: 1-2. 8-19

There are two blocks of readings from the letter to the Hebrews. The first, a set of seven in Year B, covers chapters 1-10. The second, starting today, is a set of four from the remainder of the letter. The work's author, recipients, date and place of composition remain a matter of scholarly conjecture.

Clearly it is a treatise (perhaps a homily) of high literary and rhetorical quality. Its apparent purpose was to encourage Jewish Christians not to lose faith. It presents Christ, divine and human, as the supreme high priest whose self-sacrifice has accomplished salvation once and for all. The entire letter presumes familiarity with both Jewish history and liturgical practice.

Today's passage presents Abraham and Sarah and their descendants as paragons of faith. The faith they exemplify is described as guaranteeing "the blessings that we hope for" and as proof of "realities that at present remain unseen." Abraham is commended for his faith in setting out for an unknown destination, Sarah for the faith that bore fruit in Isaac.

