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ST KEVIN'S PARISH

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Year C – 8/9th October, 2022

Year 5/6 Family Mass

Life, Marriage & Family Sunday

From the PP's Desk...

Thank you, thank you to those progressing with Working with Children Checks and Code-of-Conduct signing: We are above about 75% compliance (up from under 50% a few weeks ago). Please don't stop now—100% compliance is ultimately the only acceptable level.

I spoke last week about leadership coaching. Along with Margaret, Tiziana, Alfred and Carmel I had the first leadership coaching session with Ron Huntley. We were all pleased with the way Ron started us on a journey of thinking and discerning, and hopefully planning for action. Some points were made about our aspirational desires for our parishes: young people/families are present and engaged; the communities are caring, in fact Christian communities and are known to be so; we are places of spiritual solace for all; that we are multiple, vibrant communities that also share much in common. Nothing was decided, nothing fixed—but if our aspirational desires are shared parish aspirations, there is every chance our parishes can become beacons of hope and growth in discipleship and enthusiasm and engagement with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

In case you are a cashless person: we are looking at getting card-swipe terminals and QR codes so that you can donate simply and easily. The existing technology is outdated and slow so we are waiting on a new technology 'soon'.

Deacon George Piechmeat, with whom I was ordained as Deacon 10 years ago (before my call to the priesthood), is gathering to celebrate ten years with most of the seven deacons ordained on 30th October 2012. You are welcome to come along. The gathering is at St Anthony Catholic Parish Noble Park—30th October 1 pm to 6 pm. YOU are welcome to join us—the South Sudanese community look set to make this a marvelously joyful celebration.

God bless, Fr Charles

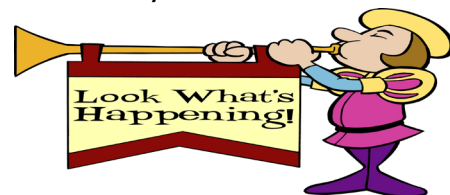


Are you interested in BECOMING A CATHOLIC and learning about Jesus?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begins its next series of meetings at St Gregory's Church Meeting Room on Wednesdays at 7.45pm. For more information, please phone Cathy or Noel on 9848 5447 or leave your details with the Parish Office or speak with Fr Charles. Please pass this notice onto anyone who might be interested.

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

Saturday	5.30pm	Family Mass hosted by St Kevin's Year 5/6
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Masses
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
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Masses



Will you consider offering some support to Asylum seekers or Refugees?

Now Inviting 'Expressions of Interest'

St Kevin's Social Justice Action committee has in mind two alternative opportunities for supporting either Asylum Seekers or Refugees. They are via two different programs, and work in ways that fit in with your interests and time. Training and support provided. WWC required. We're arranging an information session. To find out more, register an Expression of Interest now via the Social Justice Action Webpage or email templestowe@cam.org.au
John Costa 0409 967 207

The 2nd Collection this weekend will be for **St Vincent de Paul Society** whose large number of volunteers and others work tirelessly in many and varied ways to Serve Christ by supporting the poor and disadvantaged with compassion, love, respect, justice, hope and joy. Our Parish schools also help through Junior Vinnies.

John Costa

Help Please

St Vincent de Paul Society Inner City Soup Van Hub are seeking more volunteers to pack and deliver hampers to some of the most marginalised and at risk members of our community. Interested? Please let Fr Charles know.



The next **St Kevin's Men's Social Group** takes place on **Friday, 14th October @ 7.30pm**

in the Church Gathering Space. Open to men of any age (older teenagers are welcome with their guardian) - parishioners and non parishioners alike. All welcome. Supper provided. BYO alcoholic drinks. \$7 donation suggested. For catering purposes, please add your name to the sign-up sheet, or you can ring the parish office, or email Tiziana at tiziana.dcosta@cam.org.au

St Kevin's Parish Youth Group - Volunteers Wanted!

By popular demand, we are bringing back Youth Group for children in years 5 to 7! We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to lead and to assist with the planning and running of our youth group program. Ongoing support and training provided. Time commitment about 10 hours per month. The Youth Group is held once a month on a Saturday evening. Please register your interest at the Parish Office: by ringing Rebecca or Tiziana on 9850 5983 or email: Templestowe@cam.org.au

LITURGY ROSTER

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 8/9th October 2022

1st Read: 2 Kings 5: 14-17 2nd Read: 2 Timothy 2: 8-13 Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Margaret Turner	Daniel Marini	Lawrence Ceconello
8.30am	Pauline Erickson	Paul Polidano	Pat Rowland
10.00am	Mishika Perera	Frances Johnson	Lyn Robinson Tony Robinson

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 15/16th October 2022

1st Read: Exodus 17: 8-13 2nd Read: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 2 Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Margaret Mangan	Kathy Pearce	Anne Maguire
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Rebecca Sandwell	Mary Waddick
10.00am	Julie O'Donnell	Miriam Ayoub	Kaye Byrne Lyn Murphy

We pray for Better Health: Michael Doyle, Fr Brendan Dillon, Jill Hodson, Ella Dunn, Betty Natoli, Rick Gaillardetz, Bastine D'Cruz, Mary Calleja, Batoul Barak, Louise Dipetro, Mary Hodgekinson, Izabella Fantin and John Nigro.

Anniversaries: Bartolo Natoli and Guido Maffei

Recently Deceased: Marino Correzzola and Peter Rice

JOB OPPORTUNITY - Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator

We have an exciting opportunity for a person with a can-do attitude to work as a parish secretary/finance administrator in our parish.

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 wider world and to be hospitable and generous so that all may live life to the full. The successful applicant must be able to recognise and respect the pastoral aspect of the Parish and possess a strong commitment to its practices and values.

Come and join our dedicated team and make a difference with us! The position is permanent part-time one day a week, Tuesdays, 9 am to 4 pm. Immediate start. For more information, please visit our website <https://www.stkevinsparish.org.au/>

Blessings, Tiziana

125th Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

Don't forget about our Craft Stall organised by the Sisters of the Convent of St Elisabeth in Minsk, Belarus! The exposition will take place on Tuesday, 11th October after the 9.15am Mass. Items for sale include icons (including hand painted), crosses crucifixes, wood carvings, and hand made gifts.

*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

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what
he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord hear our prayer.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS OF THE TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

[2 Kings 5: 14-17](#)

Before the prophet Elijah mysteriously ascended into heaven in a whirlwind, accompanied by chariots of fire, his follower Elisha claimed a double share of his spirit. Elisha went on to perform a series of powerful works, one of which was the healing of the foreign army commander Naaman. Today's reading is a short excerpt from the story.

Naaman, in spite of being a mighty warrior held in high esteem by the king of Aram, was a leper. His wife's servant, a young girl captured from Israel, is instrumental in getting Naaman to go to Elisha in the hope of being healed. Expecting an impressive demonstration of prophetic power, he's reluctant to simply wash in the Jordan as Elisha directed. That's the point at which today's text picks up the story.

Not only is Naaman cured of his leprosy, but he becomes such a believer that he takes two mule-loads of soil back home with him to create a miniature Israel where he could sacrifice to the one true God. The story thus testifies to the possibility of exiled Israelites worshipping the Lord in a foreign land.

It also prepares the way for the gospel story of an outsider's healing and faith. Even though the reading is only part of the full story, it still captures something of the drama being played out.

Second Reading

[2 Timothy 2: 8-13](#)

Today's reading from 2 Timothy begins with one of the shortest confessions of faith in the New Testament: "Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David." Paul wrote something similar at the start of his letter to the Romans but this is even more concise. The reading ends with what looks like the fragment of an early Christian hymn, prefaced by words that appear five times through the Pastoral Epistles: "Here is a saying you can rely on." In between these opening and closing quotations is a declaration about Paul's travails and what meaning he finds in them.

The primary theme of the passage is the participation of the baptised in the paschal mystery. There are references to suffering – hardships, chains, having to hold firm – and to resurrection – salvation, eternal glory, reigning with Christ. The enduring constant in all of this activity is Christ's faithfulness.

Over against this lurks the danger of believers disavowing him.

Thus the two public statements of faith are bookends for Paul's personal account of imprisonment.

But even Paul's admission of suffering becomes a profession of faith.

