



St Kevin's Catholic Parish



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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.

Year C

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5/6th November, 2022

Baptisms Weekend

Our Presider today is: Fr Charles Balnaves

From the fingers, mind, heart and soul of the PP...

Wow! We had a wonderful workshop / session at St Greg's – a forum held in faith to look at future directions and ministries. Maybe we should do something similar at St Kevin's. I hope so because the one at St Greg's was a wonderful evidence of the depth of faith that exists in our community.

I shall be off on retreat this week—five days at Santa Casa retreat centre in Queenscliff. Because of Covid-19 constraints my last few retreats have been 'at home' - input provided by someone via Zoom and time spend in quiet and prayer at home. Going away to a beautiful, quiet, place will be a great grace for me: it always is but this time will be special after such a gap. Usually I fret for a day or so about not 'doing stuff' or I worry about 'parish things' but then I am drawn into the depths of God's embrace calling me to just ... be ... and be with him. Please pray for me.

Recently I've heard comments from people about phrases in the prayers in our liturgy. Things like "Lord I am not worthy to receive you ..." - hold on I'm a good person in what way am I not worthy? Or "... he descended into hell ..." - whoa!! Jesus in hell? That can't be true!! There are quite a few places where the words jar. Consistently the 'jarringness' arises from the tension that exists between the goodness we can see within us and the reality of the sin we commit that separates us from God and God's love. Yes, I do a lot of good in my life, yes I am a good person. But I am only capable of turning the potential for goodness into a reality by the fact of Jesus Christ coming among us to enable the grace of the Holy Spirit to enter our hearts. In one sense I am worthy: I do good, I try hard to follow Christ. In a deeper sense this is only possible because Jesus Christ makes me worthy: makes absolutely everyone capable of turning the potential energy for good into the kinetic energy of doing good. So! When the words jar for you—it can be poor translation but more likely it is a reminder of how totally you are loved by Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

God bless, and have a beautiful week Fr Charles

MEN'S SOCIAL GROUP



ST KEVIN'S PARISH, TEMPLESTOWE

The next **St Kevin's Men's Social Group** takes place on **Friday, 11th November @ 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

Lest We Forget
11 NOVEMBER

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Remembrance Day

Kadasig
AID AND DEVELOPMENT

On Thursday, 24th November, Ma'am Emely, Marwen and Eusabio (from the Philippines) together with Anni Miers and Glenys Gayfer will be visiting our parish to talk about Loyo Elementary and KAID.

You will recall that Loyo Elementary is the sister school of our St Kevin's Primary School, to whom we send support.

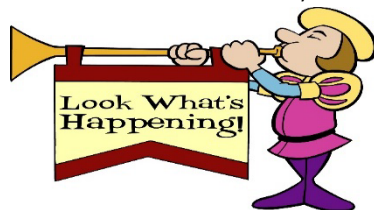
The representatives will be in our Church Gathering Space from 1.00pm and all are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to meet them.



A pony goes to the doctor and tells him, "Doc, I think I'm dying. I have this terrible sore throat." The doctor assures him, "It's okay—you're just a little horse."

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

Saturday 5.30pm Mass
 Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am Masses (Baptisms @ 10am)
 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 (Baptism Presentation @ 10am)



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, John Nigro and Lianney Susanto.

Anniversaries:

Denise Pickard, John McGinty, Piers Clarke and Margaret Gaffney.

Recently Deceased:

LITURGY ROSTER

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5/6th November 2022

1st Reading: 2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3: 5 Gospel: Luke 20: 27-38

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Margaret Turner	Peter Howes	Lawrence Cecconello
8.30am	Julie O'Donnell	Miriam Ayoub	Pat Rowland
10.00am	Vianney Shiel	Carmel Shiel	Lyn Robinson Tony Robinson

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 12/13th November 2022

1st Reading: Malachi 3: 19-20 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12 Gospel: Luke 21: 5-19

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Janet Parsons	Daniel Marini	Anne Maguire
8.30am	Paul Polidano	Rebecca Sandwell	Pat Rowland
10.00am	Mishika Perera	Tony Byrne	Raffaela Dinelli Lyn Murphy

Other Parishes collaborating with St Kevin's Parish.

Neighbouring Ivanhoe Parish (Mary Mother of the Church) has sent us the following timely invitation which has also been extended to our School Communities:

2022 Advent McKinney Lecture

'An Indigenous Voice'

Truth, Treaty and Reconciliation

A public lecture featuring Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO, sponsored by Banyule Churches Together (including Ivanhoe Parish)

Tuesday 22 November at 7.30pm

St. George's Anglican Church

46 Warncliffe Road, Ivanhoe East 3079

All Welcome. Entry donation-\$5 followed by tea/coffee (brochure on St Kevin's Social Justice Action web-page). Further information can also be found on the noticeboard in the Gathering Space.

John Costa

The Archbishop of Melbourne, Peter Comensoli, would like to inform us of a new initiative commencing this year -

A Melbourne Catholic Professionals Network

The purpose being to bring people together with extensive expertise and energy, in an atmosphere of fellowship, providing not only an opportunity for growing personal connections but enabling the building of a strong community of professional leaders motivated by their Christian faith.

An inaugural luncheon to launch the Network will be held on **Tuesday 22 November at the Park Hyatt from 12 noon**, where the Archbishop will be in attendance to open the proceedings. Following which, **Mr Allan Myers AC KC** one of Australia's leading barristers will be the Guest Speaker.

All business and community leaders are invited to be involved from the beginning in the building of this network. It will be an opportunity for you to meet like-minded individuals in order to strengthen and grow friendships and connections. For more information, please visit [Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne](https://www.catholicmelbourne.org.au). Individual and table bookings are available and if you have any questions, please contact Victoria Robinson via events@cam.org.au or 0412 795 975, who will be very happy to assist you in any way.



Goodbye and Good Luck to our dear Pastoral Worker, **Rebecca Sandwell**, who will leave us to pursue a career in veterinary sciences. We will miss you Rebecca! You will be leaving us with very big shoes to fill indeed. However we are pleased and grateful that you have decided to continue to assist and support our parish by continuing to be involved in various ministries. So it is not a 'forever goodbye' to Rebecca, more like a 'thank you and see you around'. (By the way Rebecca, you are rostered for Reading next weekend!) ☺

The 2nd Collection this weekend is for Vinnies Victoria

FLOOD APPEAL. We are again invited this weekend to contribute to St Vincent de Paul's Flood Appeal for those who have been badly effected by devastating floods, particularly in the north of this State. Again our thoughts and prayers extend to all who are impacted by the floods as well as to the volunteers and emergency workers working who are continuing to provide support. **SJA.**



ST KEVIN'S PARISH
Templestowe

**CHRISTMAS
2022
BLANKET
RAFFLE**

**DRAWN 18TH DECEMBER
DURING WEEKEND MASSES**

(WE HAVE 3 BLANKETS TO RAFFLE)

**TICKETS: \$2 EACH OR
3 TICKETS FOR \$5**

**ALL PROCEEDS FUND
KNITTING SUPPLIES**



St Kevin's Annual Bereavement Mass

17th November @ 7.30pm

As a compassionate people, we are encouraged to come together on this important night in support of all who are grieving the death of a loved one.

At this Mass, we shall also bless the plaques on our memorial wall. All are welcome, in particular those who have lost loved ones in the last 12 months.

For further information, please contact Lyn Murphy on 9857 4437 or 0419 897582.

Memorial Book:

If you wish to have a relative or friend inscribed in this precious book, please fill out the form from the table in the Gathering Space and then leave the completed form on the table. A member of our team will collect them from the table and ensure it is inserted into our Memorial Book. Thank you.



November is traditionally the month when we remember our deceased loved ones. If you would like Father to include them in our prayers, please completed the appropriate envelopes which are on the table in the Gathering Space and hand them directly to him. Thank you.



The Parish of St Kevin's is currently seeking a volunteer Sacramental Co-Ordinator to begin in 2023.

This person will be working closely with parish staff and families in the administration and preparation of the Sacramental Program (First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation).

Support and assistance will be provided – no experience necessary! Please speak with Fr Charles or Rebecca for further information.

Building Bridges Through Story

– An Opportunity to delve deeper

The third follow-up to the Covid-shortened March 2022 *Building Bridges Through Story* will focus on First Nations Peoples' stories, the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the campaign for a Constitutionally-enshrined Voice to Parliament.

This event is to be held at Manningham Uniting Church and Community Centre, 109 Wood Street, Templestowe on Saturday, 19th November from 1.30pm-4.00pm.

This afternoon will be focussed on First Nation's people and Thomas Mayor, a member of the Referendum Working Group who is pretty much campaigning full time for a Constitutionally-enshrined Voice to Parliament, will be the speaker.

More information is available from the flyer on our parish noticeboard.



Save the Date! Sunday, 11th December from 6.00pm

For a joint Christmas Celebration together with St Gregory the Great Parish. We are looking for a few volunteers to help organise the event. If you are interested, please let Tiziana or Tony Robinson know. Thank you.

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



Sofia Silvia Mascitti

Daughter of Nicholas and Isabel

and

Catia Iana Rischitelli

Daughter of Daniel and Gabriella

Q: How do you make a small fortune on horse racing?



A: Start with a large fortune!



WCCM AUSTRALIA (VIC)
MEDITATION & COMMUNITY

Advent Silent Retreat for 2022

Friday 11th November (4.30 registration) to Sunday 13th November (lunch and close) 2022

Venue: Pallotti College, 80 McNamara's Rd, Millgrove, near Warburton

Presenter: Rev. Linda Chapman

Theme: Meditation as Midwife

More information as well as booking form can be found on the church noticeboard.

Job Opportunity - Pastoral Worker

We have an exciting opportunity for a Pastoral Worker to contribute to the Pastoral needs of St Kevin's Parish and to assist in leading and delivering the mission, outreach and pastoral care of the parish community. The role is permanent part time, four days a week. There is scope to tailor this role to the incumbent's experience: either for someone who has some of the skills required and would like to learn on the job and do some further study; or for someone with experience who would like to undertake the role on a more senior and extensive level. For more information please visit our website <https://www.stkevinsparish.org.au/>

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

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.
Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord hear our prayer.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS OF THE THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14

1 and 2 Maccabees are named after Judas Maccabaeus, one of the sons of the priest Mattathias and a key leader of the Jewish uprising against the Hellenistic regime in the period from about 180 to 134 BC. The titles may give the impression that the two books offer a continuous account of this era, but while there is overlap each covers different events and in contrasting styles. 1 Maccabees has a greater claim to historical reliability.

2 Maccabees employs exaggerations and legends to edify its readers.

Neither is considered inspired by Jewish or Protestant authorities.

Today's reading (the only one we ever hear from either book on a Sunday) is an extract from a long account of the horrible torture and execution of an unnamed mother and her seven sons for refusing to disobey the dietary prescriptions of the Torah.

While the author's original purpose was to present them as heroes of the Jewish faith, Christian interest lies in the concluding affirmation of the resurrection of the just.

Belief in life beyond death had been hinted at elsewhere but here it becomes explicit.

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3: 5

Sandwiched in between apocalyptic warnings about the end times and earthy admonishments about putting in a good day's work, today's reading is an appealing text. It begins and ends with Paul's heartfelt prayer for the community at Thessalonica. In the middle Paul asks for prayer for himself and professes his confidence in the faithfulness of God and the goodness of the Thessalonians.

The opening prayer has a counterpart in 1 Thessalonians with a small but possibly significant difference. In the first letter Paul appeals in turn to "God our Father" and to "our Lord Jesus Christ". In the second, the order is reversed.

This could be evidence that the second letter was written at a later time when the divine nature of Christ had come into greater prominence.

Whatever the case, this heartfelt and affectionate prayer is a model for believers of every generation. Passing reference to troublemakers ("bigoted and evil people") and to Satan ("the evil one") does little to disturb the warm and trusting tone of the whole passage.

As usual with writing by Paul or another claiming his name, the sentences are lengthy and loaded.

CHARISMATIC MASS AND EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Gregory the Great Church
71 Williamsons Rd, Doncaster

Friday, 18 November 2022
7.00 - 8.15PM

ALL ARE WELCOME

FOR INFO:

Vera: Doncaster@cam.org.au

*"Come to me, all you who are weary
and burdened, and I will give you rest"*

-Matthew 11:28-



A cowboy buys a horse from the town pastor. The pastor explains, "to make the horse go, you gotta yell, 'Thank God!' and to make it stop, yell, 'Hallelujah.'"

The cowboy rides off. He rides all day and starts to nod off in the saddle when he notices he is about to ride straight over a cliff.

Searching his memory, he yells to the horse, "Hallelujah! Hallelujah!"

The horse grinds to a stop just at the edge of the cliff.

The cowboy wipes the sweat off his forehead. "Phew!" the cowboy sighs. "Thank God!"

