



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 A

Pentecost Sunday
Confirmation Weekend
National Reconciliation Week

27/28th May, 2023

Our Presider today is: Fr Terry Kean

From the Desk of our Lay Ecclesial Leader...

It is a happy coincidence that this weekend we have Confirmations on Pentecost Sunday. Confirmation seals and completes Baptism. Through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, candidates are filled with the grace to follow the example of Christ and serve others.

In John's account of Pentecost, the first gift of Jesus' Spirit is 'Peace'. Twice, Jesus says to the disciples 'Peace be with you'. How is this message relevant to the young people receiving Confirmation, and indeed to any young people in our life?

What does inner peace look like in a frantic world?

I like what Richard Leonard SJ says about this. Christ's gift of peace in the Gospel is more robust than peace you may experience briefly sitting cross legged in a darkened room. Inner peace comes from practice born of making consistently good choices. It is a way of life and a state of mind. It is about having realistic expectations that we (and others) have weaknesses, and that each day things may go wrong. God's peace, then, is to cultivate an attitude of acceptance for the ebbs and flows of life. To nurture a warm heart filled with forgiveness for us and others. It is not always easy to do; we must practice it. But it is worth the effort.

May the promise of inner peace sustain our young people in these complex and uncertain times.

Tiziana D'Costa



Parish Mass Count

In our concluding weekend of the merry month of May it is time for our final weekend Mass Count. Please consider assisting with counting the number of Mass attendees.

Counters are requested to count the number of folk who are at Mass. Counting sheets are provided on the bench in the sacristy near the money bags. This annual count taken in May is important for our pastoral planning activities and allows for comparisons to be made across the years.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

This important Feast Day falls on Friday 16th June. Mass will be celebrated at St Gregory the Great Church, 71 Williamsons Road, Doncaster at 7.00pm on this day. We will also celebrate this special Mass on Tuesday, 20th June at 9.15am here at St Kevin's Church. All welcome.



NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2023

27 MAY — 3 JUNE

BE A VOICE FOR GENERATIONS

ACT TODAY FOR A RECONCILED TOMORROW

#NRW2023

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

Saturday	5.30pm	Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Masses
	1.00pm & 3.00pm	Confirmation Masses
Tuesday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
	1.00pm	Needlecraft Group
Wednesday	9.15am	St Kevin's Feast Day Mass
	9.30am	Meditation – via zoom only – all welcome.
	Please contact the parish office so we can send you the link	
Thursday	8.30am	Adoration
	9.15am	Mass
Saturday	5.30pm	Family Group Anniversary Mass
Sunday	8.30am & 10.00am	Masses



We pray for Better Health:

Fr Brendan Dillon, Rick Gaillardetz, Bastine D'Cruz, Mary Calleja, Batoul Barak, Louise Dipetro, Mary Hodgekinson, Lianney Susanto, Kevin Parker, Melissa Wirata, Jane O'Brien, Dorothea (Dot) Sharkey, Trish Wilson, Danielle Hardy, Maeve & John Reardon, Nicholas Raquel, Eugenia Pozzebon, Margaret Turner and Pam Cohen.

Anniversaries:

Rosa Giannini, Val Byrne, John Norman, Geraldine Dalla Riva, Maureen Whyte, Julian Hunter, Vince Materazzo, Salvatore Lo Monaco, John Julian Hunter and Peter Joseph Niero.

Recently Deceased:

Anne Strickland (John Costa's sister)

LITURGY ROSTER

Pentecost Sunday – 27/28th May 2023

1st Reading: Acts 2: 1-11 2nd Reading: Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13 Gospel: John 20: 19-23

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Daniel Marini	Janet Parsons	Lynne O'Brien
8.30am	Paul Polidano		Frances Bettiol
10.00am	Carmel Purdey	Carmel Shiel	Lyn Robinson

The Most Holy Trinity – 3rd/4th June 2023

1st Reading: Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13 Gospel: John 3: 16-18

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Family Group Member	Family Group Member	Family Group Member
8.30am	Jessica Bartholomeusz		Pat Rowland
10.00am	Julie O'Donnell	Frances Johnson	Lyn Murphy

Secrets of St Kevin's - and Pentecost

People attend Mass, appreciate hospitality, then leave spiritually and socially enriched as intended. But underneath and beyond are very many more essential keys to our purpose, things done 'invisibly' by just a few. People come together to knit and sew needed clothes, run clubs. Others Plan the Parish future, a synodal church, manage donations, advocate for justice. Some support refugees with friendship, kindness, goods or money. Others provide pastoral and ecclesial support, sweep floors, manage gardens and clean buildings and toilets. On Saturday mornings someone comes to check/replace flowers, vacuum floors. Some manage and present Multimedia for Masses. Others provide live music, sing, write, read, produce and present liturgies for each Mass. Some visit others, manage events, finances, administration, or create Newsletters. At various times of day or night the Parish Priest visits and ministers to the sick and dying at critical times. He visits schools. Funerals are arranged. Prompting all this and more from Pentecost reflects new Beginnings, which are part of Church Renewal - by all.

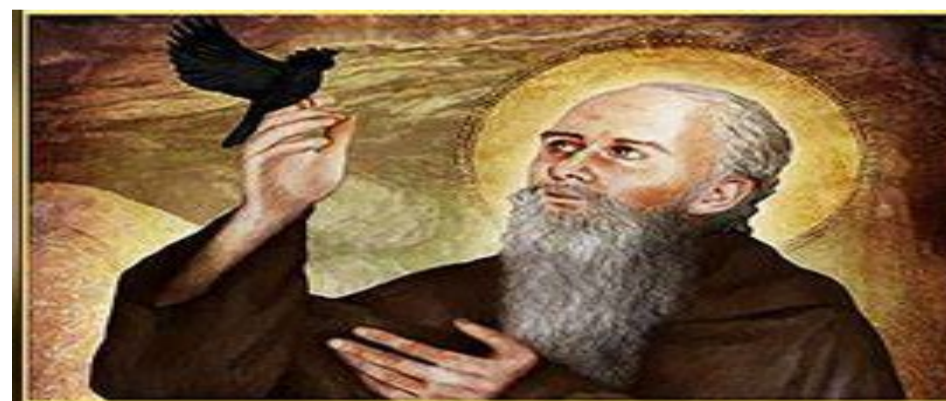
John Costa, St Kevin's Social Justice Action, 0409 967 207

Next Saturday, 3rd June we celebrate

St Kevin's Feast Day

A special commemorative Mass will be celebrated this Wednesday morning, 31st May at 9.15am.

Please join our parish and school communities in tribute to our Patron Saint.



This year, we celebrate two big anniversaries for Family Groups.

The first is the 50th year anniversary since Family Groups first began in Sydney.

We shall celebrate this event on Saturday, 3rd June at the 5.30pm Mass followed by cheese and nibbles in the Gathering Space.

The second is the 30th year anniversary since Family Groups first began at our St Kevin's Parish.

We shall celebrate this event on Sunday, 30th July at the 10.00am Mass.

All are invited and welcomed to attend these events, in particular any past members and parishioners.





We pray for these young people in our Parish as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. Confirmation is conferred by Bishop Leslie Tomlinson.

Bridget Bearzatto
Orlando Belfield
Luca Bisignano
Mackayla Buchanan
Romeo Buzari
Stefano Calabrese
Gemma Callinan
Diaz Carbonara
Stefan Cardinale
Jackson Carman

Martina Chavez Bloch
Michael Cirianni
Sebastian Clarke
Orlando Crescia
Sebastian Cursio
Kaija Di Carlo
Sam Dykstra
Samuel Falkiner
Lennox Forster
Charlotte Geerlings
Sienna Guerra

Kirra Guimbeau
Alissa Jabra
Aquila Jarski
Zahlia Jones
Poppy Keenan
Abigail Locastro
Mira Menon
Marcus Montuoro
Aston Nichele
Ava North
Ava Pana

Georgia Reed
Christian Robertson
Romina Sarsharmoghadam
Felix Toscano
Xavier Tsafkopoulos
Arianna Tsiotinas
Susie Twining
Renee White
Raphi Yuen
Noah West

Congratulations Children!



ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY

With Reconciliation Week amongst us, we are all invited to visit St Paul's Cathedral (Flinders Street) next week and view the beautiful Aboriginal Stations of the Cross by Artist John Dunn, and the artwork by Cannon Glenn Loughrey who used to be Pastor of St Oswald's parish in Glen Iris. He also had a solo exhibition at the Highway Gallery some years ago. The exhibition will be at 4.00pm on Sunday, 28th May.

Upcoming Reflection Day at Heart of Life Centre:

'Dare to Dream!', via Zoom, Wednesday, 31 May, 5-6.30pm (AEST).

"We have had dreams and there is no one to interpret them..." and Joseph said to them, "do not interpretations belong to God?"
Join our director, Clare Shearman, and guests in our 'dream lab'.
Based on the Dreams session previously offered as part of the Siloam Program, this program will explore the significance of our dreams, include the practice of dream circles, provide guidance and practice for working with dreams—our own and others', consider the potential for our dreams to personally and collectively shape the future.

Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$130.
Book and pay via website www.heartoflife.melbourne, email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel 9890 1101.

World Knitting Day Saturday 3 June 1pm- 4pm

To be held at Manningham Uniting Church & Community Centre 109 Wood St, Templestowe

The annual World Knitting Day event is a great opportunity for those who love knitting and those who would like to learn to come together. Wool, needles and patterns will be available for all to use. Experienced knitters will also be on hand to help teach and encourage those less confident. Afternoon tea provided. This is a free event.

National Reconciliation Week Events in Rome



The Australian Embassy to the Holy See is announcing a series of special events from 29 May to 3 June 2023, focused on reconciliation with Indigenous Australians. The events will coincide with the visit by Dr Miriam Rose Ungunmerr Baumann AM, a renowned Australian Aboriginal elder, educator and artist who is expected to meet with Pope Francis in what will be her first trip from Australia's 'outback' to Rome.

Dr Ungunmerr Baumann's presence in Rome during National Reconciliation Week will add special significance to a year which also marks the 50th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Australia and the Holy See. Some of the events will be live streamed. You can see details at this link.

<https://holysee.embassy.gov.au/hyse/reconciliationweek.html>

HEALING MASS



Charismatic Mass & Eucharistic Adoration with Healing Prayers

With the Sisters from Daughters of Carmel, Indonesia

FRIDAY, 02 JUNE 2023
07.00 - 08.30 PM

ST GREGORY THE GREAT CHURCH
71 WILLIAMSONS ROAD, DONCASTER

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Responsorial Psalm

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord hear our prayer.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS OF PENTECOST SUNDAY

First Reading

Acts 2: 1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

When God called Moses and the Israelites into covenant at Mt Sinai, awe-inspiring phenomena accompanied the event. Thunder, lightning, cloud, smoke, fire and a thunderous trumpet all testified to God's might and majesty. The descent of the Spirit on the apostles in Jerusalem is also marked by impressive signs – tongues of fire, a powerful and noisy wind, and a language epiphany.

The apostles were being "clothed with the power from on high" and "baptised with the Holy Spirit" just as Jesus had promised. Obedient to his command, they had stayed in the city and prayed in the upper room "together with several women, including Mary, the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers".

They were not alone in Jerusalem. Jewish pilgrims from all parts of the diaspora had come to the city to celebrate the autumn harvest festival of Pentecost and commemorate the Sinai covenant and the giving of the Mosaic Law. This feast and much else in the Jewish tradition, such as creation, Babel and the oracles of the prophets, forms the backdrop to this new event.

Second Reading

1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

Paul's letters are often prompted by problems that have arisen in his communities. The happy outcome of this is the teaching that he expounds in response. Today's reading is a case in point, though it gives no clue as to the particular issue Paul is addressing – the disruptive and divisive role of the gift of tongues. This only becomes clear later in the letter.

One of the revolutionary features of the Christian movement was the way it transcended conventional social distinctions and barriers. Baptism and the gifts of the Spirit were given freely to all, regardless of race and status (and gender). Paul reminds the Corinthians that whatever gift they enjoy is not a personal possession or achievement but the work of the Spirit.

The countercultural social unity of the Christian community was put in jeopardy by the Corinthians prizing one gift above another and losing sight of their common purpose, to build up the body of Christ. Paul's use of the body metaphor to demonstrate diversity and unity is not unique; it was common in the ancient world. He simply adopts and Christianises it.

Today's text makes no reference to the problematic issues Paul is dealing with. It is wholly affirmative.

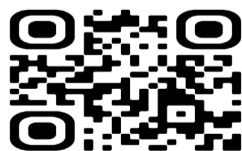
NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. More information is in the brochure on the table in the Gathering Space or you can contact Sr Annie Bond via email: national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or on 89124818.

A convenient way to make contributions is to use this QR Code and following these simple steps:

1. Wave your mobile camera over it
2. Click on "Web Address"
3. Indicate your payment options

All contributions will go directly and securely into the Church a/c.



'Passion on the Big Screen – A Day @ the Movies with Peter Malone msc' (in-person event), Saturday 17 June 2023, 10 am – 3.30 pm (AEST)

We often refer to Jesus as the Word made Flesh. But Colossians I proclaims Jesus as the Image of the Invisible God. Religious images have always been part of spirituality, The 20th century saw moving images emerging on screens, cinemas, television and new modes of streaming. How can we relate to these images as vision for our spiritual lives? Images, symbols, visual metaphors, Christ-figures? We appreciate Lectio Divina. Here we respond to Visio Divina, movie clips, their challenge. Facilitated by Peter Malone msc ~ author, lecturer, founding member of The Film Critics Association and priest. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost: \$60 (BYO lunch). Book and pay via website www.heartoflife.melbourne, email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel 03 9890 1101.