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## ST KEVIN'S PARISH

Mgr Greg Bennet said:

"You have renewed the church building, now is the time to renew yourselves and your faith."

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2017**

### **Entrance Antiphon**

The Lord is the strength of  
his people,  
a saving refuge for the one he  
has anointed.

Save your people, Lord,  
and bless your heritage,  
and govern them forever.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Lord, in your great love,  
answer me.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness  
to me, says the Lord,  
and you also will be my witnesses.  
Alleluia!

### **Response to Prayers of the Faithful**

Be with us Lord, we pray.

### **Communion Antiphon**

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,  
and you give them their food in  
due season.

### **St Vincent de Paul Appeal this weekend**

This weekend we will have speakers from the St Clement's Bulleen Conference of SVDP who take on visits in Templestowe on our behalf. They would welcome a few members from this Parish to assist them in their work. The Social Justice group have provided soup and rolls from the Soup Van on Saturday night. On Sunday we have soup and rolls after the 9am Mass at Holy Cross. Please be generous in assisting both St Clement's Conference and the Soup Van to continue their work. Envelopes are available at all Masses this weekend. Your contributions to the second collection this month also go to the Appeal.

**A BIG Thank You** is extended to all the many families who donated blankets/doonas and socks for our **Blanket and Sock Drive** for St Vincent De Paul. With your generous donation we were able to collect **61** blankets/doonas and **309** pairs of socks. What a brilliant effort! So many homeless people will now know what it feels like to have warm feet in these cold, wintery days and a blanket to sleep on. We truly have committed to this project of "Bringing Our Faith to Life"  
Thank you again for your generous support.

**Nose update:** We are pleased to report that Sabina D'Costa's nose has made a complete recovery.



# SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

## Masses this week -

- Saturday:** 5.30pm (Vigil)  
**Sunday:** 8.30am & 10.00am  
9.00am at Holy Cross Monastery  
**Tuesday:** 9.15am St Kevin's Chapel  
**Thursday:** 9.15am St Charles Borromeo  
Primary School  
**Friday:** 11.00am Newman's Manor  
on the Park

## Meditation Mindfulness –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

**Reconciliation** – First Saturday of the month  
@ 10.00am (or by appointment)

**Visitation** - For communion at home,  
visiting, transportation or meals, please  
contact the parish house on 9850 5983.

### Our Clean Church and Gathering Space

Do you think that our freshly renovated spaces are remaining sufficiently clean? We have a professional cleaner who comes once a month. Do you think that you and some other parishioners need to join a roster to keep our buildings welcoming and hospitable? Please talk it over and with your approval we'll "test the waters" with a possible roster in the next few weeks.

## SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

### Baptisms:

Last weekend of the month -  
*Presentations and Welcome.*  
*Baptism Meeting* on the third  
Wednesday of every month.  
First Sundays of the month -  
*Sacrament of Baptism*

### Weddings:

By appointment only

### Funerals:

For bereavement support, please  
contact the Parish House on  
9850 5983

### Parish Tennis Club:

Social and Competition.

Please ring Paul 9846 2083

<http://www.stkevinstctemplesto.org.au/>

### Parish Social Justice:

As a Parish we speak out and act  
for justice.

Contact Paola c/o 9850 5983.

### Do you know someone who talks about becoming a Catholic? What about you?

Please contact the parish or school  
offices, or talk to Fr Gerry about the  
process. No obligation – just a thought  
that God's spirit is "rumbling".

## Questions for Adolescents

- Q. Why do you think 'Do not be afraid' is so frequently repeated in the Bible?  
Q. Why might this passage be titled in some versions of the Bible as 'Bold Confession'?  
Q. In what ways can this message to the disciples be interpreted in a modern context?  
Q. What are some of the obstacles that make it hard to proclaim what you believe  
'from the house-tops'?

## LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 535.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>790.50</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,603.50 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 952.00

Number of Envelopes 35  
(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

**PLANNED GIVING:** For envelopes, please contact the Parish House



## LITURGY ROSTER

**Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017**

**First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16 Second Reading: Roms 6: 3-4, 8-11 Gospel: Matthew 10: 37-42**

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Children's Liturgy
5.30 pm	Peter Howes	Fiona Watson	Lucy Halliburton Ann Maguire Maryann McNamara	Hello God sheets (at the back of the Church) for children to read/colour during Mass or at home
8.30 am	Paul Polidano	Frank Ozzimo	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	
9.00 am	Pat Bond	Gerry Bond	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery	
10.00 am	Miriam Ayoub	Tony Byrne	Kaye Byrne Mary Calleja Murray Cullinan	

**We pray for Better Health:** Adriana Luchetta, Sharon Williams, Leo Scaffidi, John Turner, Gerry Barber, Maria Amato, Natalie Salvo, Julie O'Donnell, Grant Watson, Donald Tynan, Rhendiza Altamera and Neil Whissin.

**Anniversaries:** Monique Daisy Cheng and Margaret & Frank Walsh  
**Recently Deceased:** Fr Claude Borg MSSP, Kevin Cheng Shou Kong and John Dickenson (Jane' O'Brien's Father)

**St Kevin's School Principal, Frances Matisi** has come back from Ireland with even more of a "spring in her step". She gives us permission to share some reflections with you. I am sure you will be delighted.

**Some Key Points about Celtic Spirituality:**

- God was utterly imminent ... with constant reminders of God's presence in holy wells, burial places, hermitages, oratories, monastic ruins, pilgrim paths, holy mountains, holy islands, dolmens, stone circles and burial mounds.
- All of nature/life was sacrament. There were native prayers for every aspect of the day – rising, lighting the fire, milking the cows etc.
- Specific times and places were especially sacred and celebrated eg fertility, light and darkness.
- There was celebration of both male and female in the divine and women's rights were equal to men's.
- Daily life was experienced through a contemplative lens, there was no emphasis on dogmas, beliefs, rules or laws, etc.
- There was a belief in integrated spirituality – an awareness of the interconnectedness of all of life, a communion of all of life as well as an awareness of God at all the cardinal points.
- "The people were unable to see and careless to know where the secular began and the religious ended". (Alexander Carmichael)

**Here are some of the questions were asked to reflect on during our day on Celtic Spirituality:**

- ❖ *What do you see as the compelling qualities of Celtic Spirituality?*
- ❖ *What elements of Celtic Spirituality do you experience as alive in yourself?*
- ❖ *What aspects of Celtic Spirituality do you see alive or being reclaimed in the wider Church or society?*
- ❖ *What elements would you think need to be reclaimed in the current milieu?*

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Funding available from the Parish.

**How Can We Build Community Better?**

Recently, we have held two meetings with representatives of the Passionist Community. The purpose being to patch up the glowing gap between Holy Cross and St Kevin's. Both groups have gifts to offer each other. Last Saturday we agreed that an average weekend Mass attendance of 270/280 means that we are over stretching our resources of Ministers, Musicians, Lectors, Welcomers etc. However, we have decided to go down the path of attempting to recruit more ministers rather than rationalisation of our Masses. (Cutting one or two Masses, it was felt, may not achieve the desired result of stronger community participation). St Kevin's asked for:

- 1) All Templestowe Baptisms to take place in the Parish Church.
- 2) Greater communication concerning Funerals of Templestowe people.
- 3) Dialogue in sharing Easter ceremonies.
- 4) Adult faith education conversations.

Let us continue to work together for the greater good of the people of Templestowe and beyond.

**Baptism Welcome!** Welcome Anthony and Michelle Sambuco who will be introducing Emily to our Community in preparation for her Baptism next Sunday Morning.

***Social Justice at St Kevin's Parish***

During May, Lowilla Okello and Nastaran Sedigh addressed us about the Refugee and Asylum Seeker accommodation at Eltham. During that month the second collection raised \$2,328 for this cause. The Social Justice Committee will notify you about how this will be spent.

Join Carmel Shiel and Fr Gerry at Port Melbourne next Thursday night to hear Professor Joe Camilleri speak on

**Making sense of the tensions between  
Islam and the west and the  
implications for Australians of  
Islamic faith.**

More details on the flyer on the noticeboard. If interested in attending, please see Fr Gerry about car pooling.



**Roster Update**

The new roster for Eucharistic Ministers; Lectors; Commentators and Prayer Preparation has now been completed and distributed.

Thank you for giving so generously of your time to support and enhance our weekend celebrations. Don't forget to keep your roster handy and diarise your dates!