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**Pastoral Worker:** Mrs Rebecca Sandwell



## ST KEVIN'S PARISH

Mgr Greg Bennet said:

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

### Marriage Week

### Reconciliation Commitment Masses

### Priests Retirement Foundation Appeal

**Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2017**

#### Entrance Antiphon

You are just, O Lord,  
and your judgement is right;  
treat your servant in accord with  
your merciful love.

#### Responsorial Psalm

O that today you would listen to  
his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!  
God was in Christ,  
to reconcile the world to himself;  
and the Good News of reconciliation  
he has entrusted to us.  
Alleluia!

#### Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear us we pray.

#### Communion Antiphon

Like the deer that yearns for  
running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you,  
my God;  
my soul is thirsting for God,  
the living God.



*Welcome one and all to our  
Reconciliation  
Commitment Weekend*

We continue to pray for all our Candidates  
as they travel along their faith journey.



This Appeal creates one of the four main income streams for the Foundation enabling support for retired priests of the Archdiocese. On behalf of our retired priests we do ask that you strongly support this appeal. All contributions of \$2 or more are tax deductible and will be recorded.

### *Seeking God's Purpose For The Family*

God created marriage, and family, as the foundation for human life, civilization, relationships, and the faith community. His plan of salvation proceeds through covenant relationships with families. When individuals experience the grace and forgiveness of God through Jesus, entire families can be healed and transformed. An active, powerful evangelism and discipleship centre, to shape the hearts of its members with a love for God and others – that's God's design of family. We need to defend marriage/family as well as support it.

# SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

## Adoration –

Each weekday before Mass @ 8.30am and  
7.15-8.15pm on Wednesday evenings

## 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 Kevin's Chapel

**Friday:** 9.15am St Kevin's Chapel

## 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.

## 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

[www.stkevinstctemplestowe.org.au/](http://www.stkevinstctemplestowe.org.au/)

### Parish Social Justice:

As a Parish we speak out and act for  
justice. Contact Paola c/o 9850 5983.

## Draft version of Parish Vision Statement

"St Kevin's Parish is an active Catholic community,  
called by God and trusting in Jesus.

We joyfully aspire, with gratitude,  
to care for and connect with our local and global community,  
to be hospitable and generous, so that all may live life to the full."

**In the Gathering Space** - We invite you all to write your comments, ideas, and feedback on a 'post-it-note' and stick it on or around the statement so we can ensure we have heard the voices of all those in our parish who would like to contribute to our future direction. If you would rather mull over things for a while please feel free to take a photo of the draft vision statement and send us an email or a note with your feedback. All feedback needs to be received by Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October after which the Parish Advisory Board will meet to discuss the feedback and create a final draft of the vision statement.

## LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 1,020.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>780.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,800.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 1,070.00

Number of Envelopes 44  
(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

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



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CALM  
AND  
CHECK OUT  
OUR WEBSITE

# LITURGY ROSTER

Twenty - Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time – 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27: 30 – 28:7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 14: 7-9 Gospel: Matthew 18: 21-35

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Children's Liturgy
5.30 pm	Peter Howes	Margaret Turner	Maryann McNamara Bredenia Raquel Fiona Watson	"Hello God" sheets (at the back of the Church) for children to read/colour during Mass or at home.
8.30 am	Mike Westbrook	Kirsten Collins	Betty Natoli Frank Ozzimo Paul Polidano	
9.00 am	Michael Doyle	Margaret Mangan	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery	
10.00 am	Carmel Purdey	Lucy Halliburton	Lyn Murphy Carmel Shiel Geraldine Williams	

**We pray for Better Health:** John Turner, Maria Amato, Natalie Salvo, Donald Tynan, Rhendiza Altamera, Neil Whiffin, Mario Garito, Octave Pascal, Vince Natoli, Catena Scaffidi and Michele (Michael) De Luca

**Anniversaries:**

**Recently Deceased:** Lauren Williams (husband of Veronica)

***Parish Survey Results...*** The following is a summary of results regarding Church Services:

During Church Services at this parish, attenders always or usually experience:

MUSIC they appreciate 65%

GROWTH in understanding of God 64%

Being challenged to TAKE ACTION 42%

What are your thoughts? Rebecca, members of the PAB & Fr Gerry would love to hear them.

## ***Social Justice Collections***

Refugees who have had medical interventions in Australia have been issued with a new type of visa. They will no longer be allowed to live in subsidised accommodation, or continue to receive the weekly allowance of \$100. They will be in dire circumstances. On purely humanitarian grounds we feel that an urgent response is required from the community. The second collection will be sent to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre which has set up an emergency appeal. There will be further collections later in September. This weekend will be reserved for the annual appeal for Retired Priests.

## **Euthanasia Parliamentary Debate**

**Delayed** This message is to give you an update regarding the progress of the planned bill and our response. We understand that the introduction of the Bill has been postponed (for a third time) until the parliamentary sitting period beginning Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September. The expectation is that debate will commence four weeks later in the sitting period beginning Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. This provides additional time for us to meet with MPs. Even if MPs say they are not accepting appointments to discuss the issue before seeing a Bill, continuing to seek a meeting conveys an important message about the level of community concern. The added time also affords an opportunity for those who have not yet written letters to do so. Let people know it is not too late to begin. Letters can now be sent as late as Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

## ***Don't forget our seminar on Sunday***

***afternoon!*** Thomas Berry, a Passionist Priest, cultural historian, geologist and pioneer in the field of ecology and spirituality, will offer an opportunity to explore his wisdom and insights. This will take place right here in our Gathering Space on Sunday afternoon at 2pm.

For information on our Parish Schools  
please contact:

**St Kevin's Primary School**  
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Principal: Mr Greg Thomas

### **Catholic Vocations**

This weekend the Church in Melbourne welcomes two new priests. Fathers Toan Nguyen and Anil Mascarenhas were ordained on Saturday morning at St Patrick's Cathedral. Please pray for our new priests and for many more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from our parishes and communities in Melbourne.

## **TGI'S** Templestowe Parish's **YOUTH GROUP**

### **TGI'S YOUTH GROUP reminder**

A reminder that our next event will be next weekend: Saturday 16th September 6.45pm-8.45pm  
It's an "International Night" with loads of yummy foods and activities to take you on a trip around the world.  
Our numbers are increasing, so please rsvp and let us know you're coming, so your kids don't miss out on all the fun!  
Grades 5 to 8 welcome from St Charles, St Kevin's and our Parish children.  
rsvp to [tgiyg17@gmail.com](mailto:tgiyg17@gmail.com)

### **Palliative Care Information Session**

Do you have a loved one, or are you in need of Palliative Care in your own home?

Do you know there is a FREE service available?

Come along to our information session on the 26th September at 2pm in our Gathering Space.

"Eastern Palliative Care" will be running a 45 minute session where you can ask questions and find out what services are available.

Please rsvp to our office or chat to Rebecca for more information.

### **Co.As.It. (Italian Assistance Association) Visitation Program**

The Co.As.It. Visitation Program has been established to provide friendship and social support to elderly, socially isolated Italians. The program aims at providing suitable volunteer friendly visitors for members of the Italian Community who are referred to the program and who meet the criteria. Clients are usually referred by their families, doctors, social workers, nurses, clergy etc. The Co.As.It. Visitation Program asks its volunteer visitors to provide friendly social support & companionship to the 'matched' client on a regular basis. Volunteers are introduced in person by the Co-Ordinator to the client who is to receive their friendly visit. If you wish to become part of this program or make a referral, please contact: **The Program Co-Ordinator**  
Tel: 9349 900 Email: [visitation@coasit.com.au](mailto:visitation@coasit.com.au)

Our friends at the  
**Olympic Village Exodus Community**  
are organising a **Movie Luncheon**

**Movie:** Victoria & Abdul  
**When:** Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2017  
**Where:** Palace Balwyn Cinema  
231 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn  
**Time:** 10.45am for 11.00am start  
**Cost:** \$25 per ticket - includes a light lunch of sandwiches and cake  
tea and coffee also included  
**Contact:** Anne 9497 5153 or Jo 9850 7702