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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."

First Holy Communion Social Justice Weekend

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd & 24th September, 2017

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people,
says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in
any distress,
I will hear them,
and I will be their Lord for ever.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is near to all who call him.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear us we pray.

Communion Antiphon

You have laid down your precepts to
be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping
your statutes.



*This Saturday night, we have the joy of
celebrating with the Masoni Family,
their son Dylan's First Communion.
Congratulations Dylan!*

Social Justice Sunday

Each year the Australian Bishops issue a major statement for the coming year on Social Justice Sunday. The theme is "Everybody's business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy. More information is available on our website.

Fruit Gathering

No: it is not yours to open buds into blossoms.
Shake the bud, strike it; it is beyond your power to
make it blossom.
Your touch oils it, you tear its petals to pieces and
strew them in the dust.
But no colours appear, and no perfume.
Ah! it is not for you to open the bud into a blossom.
He who can open the bud does it so simply.
He gives it a glance, and the life-sap stirs through
its veins.
At his breath the flower spreads its wings and
flutters in the wind.
Colours flush out like heart-longings, the perfume
betrays a sweet secret.
He who can open the bud does it so simply. *Tagore.*

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

Adoration –

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

Masses this week -

Saturday: 6.00pm (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
(*Masses this week really are what is written!*)

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/

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 1st 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	\$ 935.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>780.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,715.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 915.00

Number of Envelopes 46
(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

PLANNED GIVING: For envelopes, please contact the Parish House



KEEP
CALM
AND
CHECK OUT
OUR WEBSITE

LITURGY ROSTER

Twenty - Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time – 30th September and 1st October 2017

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28 2nd Reading: Philippians 2: 1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Children's Liturgy
6.00 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	Kirsten Collins	Paul Polidano	Betty Natoli Frank Ozzimo Paul Polidano	
9.00 am	Gerry Bond	Bernard Charnley	Pat Bond Margaret Mangan Peter Norman	
10.00 am	Lucy Halliburton	Fiona Dunne	Brigid Jordon Betty Natoli Pat Rowland	

We pray for Better Health: Maria Amato, Natalie Salvo, Donald Tynan, Rhendiza Altamera, Neil Whiffin, Mario Garito, Octave Pascal, Vince Natoli, Catena Scaffidi, Michele (Michael) De Luca, Marianne Condon (Catherine McCormack's daughter) and Brian O'Connell.

Anniversaries: Lorna James and John Shine.

Recently Deceased:

Parish Survey Results... The following is a summary of results regarding How People Relate to the Wider Community:
 As for INVOLVEMENT IN GROUPS:
 22% of people reach out to the wider community through activities of this parish
 41% of people participate in wider community groups
 As for WORDS and ACTIONS:
 7% feel at ease TALKING ABOUT FAITH with others and look for opportunities to do so
 26% INVITED friends and relatives to Mass or another church service in this last year
 What are your thoughts? Rebecca, members of the PAB & Fr Gerry would love to hear them.

Social Justice Collections

Refugees 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 has been sent to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre which has set up an emergency appeal.

Euthanasia Parliamentary Debate Delayed

The expectation is that debate will commence in four weeks in the sitting period beginning Tuesday 17th 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 9th October.

Thank You

From all at the Asylum Seekers Project to
St Kevin's Parish for your recent generous
donation towards our efforts.

We managed to raise \$1,924 for this worthy cause.

For information on our Parish Schools
please contact:

St Kevin's Primary School
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Web: www.scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au
Principal: Mr Greg Thomas

Grand Final Saturday – 30th September
– Mass on this evening will be at 6pm not
5.30pm. What team will be celebrating?

Thank You

I have been overwhelmed by the
generosity shown to the Parish of
Meredith as we seek to raise funds for
our new St Mary MacKillop Church in
Bannockburn. Thank you for the
wonderful gift of \$1,299 towards our
St Mary MacKillop Church.
Love and God Bless, Fr Charles Balnaves

"Hello God" children's sheets are
proving too expensive for the creators to
print so the last sheet will be 19th
November. Sad, but... is this a call to re-
ignite "Children's Liturgy" at any of our
weekend Masses?

Afternoon "Get Togethers" "We have
wonderful facilities here in our Gathering
Space, and wonderful people. Let's invite
people to come together for cards, board
games, chats – whatever". Tony Fitsimons,
Rebecca and (Fr) Gerry agree
wholeheartedly – so give Tony a ring to
discuss further – Tony's number is 9846
1737.

RESCHEDULED

Palliative Care Information Session

Please note: this has now been rescheduled to
Tuesday, 17th October at 2pm in our Gathering Space

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 17th
October 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.

Liturgical Ministries As Responding To God's Call For Labourers

Many of us take for granted those who minister at
Mass each Sunday – assembly, presider, deacon,
hospitality ministers (or greeters or ushers) altar
ministers, music ministers, lectors, extraordinary
ministers of Holy Communion.

Sometimes, too, because we minister when our
name appears on the schedule, we might fall into
the trap of thinking we are just getting necessary
jobs accomplished.

GIRM 91 speaks of the eucharistic celebration as
an action of the whole church in which different
orders and offices unfold and the ordained
ministers and lay Christian faithful fulfil "their
function or their duty" according to what "pertains
to them".

Whatever ministries are exercised by different
persons during liturgy, they are always undertaken
after careful discernment of one's abilities, prayer
to do God's will (hear God's call to minister), and
appropriate preparation for the ministry itself.
In addition to fulfilling ministries at Mass, then,
liturgical ministers also witness to God's persistent
call to followers of Jesus to be labourers in the
divine vineyard who make present the kingdom
and continue Jesus' work here on earth.