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**Parish Office Hours:** Tue to Thu: 9am to 4pm

**Parish Priest:** Fr Gerry McKernan

**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."

### 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgement,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed  
your commandments.  
But give glory to your name  
and deal with us according to the  
bounty of your mercy.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice,  
says the Lord;

I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

#### Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear us we pray.

#### Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to  
your servant, O Lord,  
by which you have given me hope.  
This is my comfort when I am  
brought low.

### 30<sup>th</sup> September/1<sup>st</sup> October, 2017

#### A Beautiful Spring Poem

*(in case you missed it last week – Ah Spring!)*

#### *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.*

**Spring Break** Fr Gerry will be away for the next two weekends. Next weekend we welcome Fr Jose Matthew (yes, you'll know him if you're an 8.30am Mass regular). The following weekend, Fr Arnold Heredia will preside. So you've got some variety.

**Available Today – "Melbourne Catholic".** Wow! It has a variety of short articles to offer. \$2.00 for your subsidised copy.

# 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:** No Mass

**Thursday:** No Mass

**Friday:** No Mass

## 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.stkevinstemplestowe.org.au/](http://www.stkevinstemplestowe.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.

All feedback needs to be received by today (Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October) after which the  
Parish Advisory Board will meet on 17<sup>th</sup> October to discuss the feedback and  
create a final draft of the vision statement.

### LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 849.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>780.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,629.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 926.00

Number of Envelopes 48

(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 - Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time – 7/8<sup>th</sup> October 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 5: 1-7    2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 4: 6-9    Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-43

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Children's Liturgy
6.00 pm	Peter Howes	Carmen Childs	Veronica Jeremiah Ian Jeremiah Maryann McNamara	"Hello God" sheets (at the back of the Church) for children to read/colour during Mass or at home. Last sheets will be 19 <sup>th</sup> November.
8.30 am	Rebecca Sandwell	Indi Sandwell	Berry Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	
9.00 am	Pat Bond	Gerry Bond	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery	
10.00 am	Tony Byrne	Mishika Perera	Kaye Byrne Mary Calleja Murray Cullinan	

**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:** Palmira Dinelli, Nathan Jones and Joyce Rebeiro.

**Recently Deceased:** Michelle Reardon (daughter of John and Maeve).  
 Funeral may be on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 10.30am at Holy Cross Monastery.  
 TBC- please check newspapers.

## Roster Update

The new roster for Eucharistic Ministers; Lectors; Commentators and Prayer Preparation has now been completed and distributed. If you haven't received your new email, please contact the Parish House.

Thank you for giving so generously of your time and expertise to support and enhance our weekend celebrations.

Don't forget to keep your roster handy and diarise your dates!



## Questions for Adults

- Q. Which character in the gospel story do you relate to? Why?
- Q. In what ways have you ever said 'Yes' with your words but 'No' with your actions?
- Q. In what ways do people say 'Yes' to God but fail to follow through on their commitment?
- Q. What message for your life do you take from this week's gospel?

**Hot Topics Box** Our Church's Social Justice Statement "Everyone's Business. Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy". Pick up your copy today!

## **RALLY FOR REFUGEES –**

Calling for an end to Offshore Processing & Mandatory Detention. Seeking Safety for All People Who Have Come Here Seeking Our Protection. Sunday, 8 October 2017, 2pm State Library, Swanston St, CBD.

## **Euthanasia Parliamentary Debate Delayed**

The expectation is that debate will commence in two weeks in the sitting period beginning Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. 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.

For information on our Parish Schools  
please contact:

**St Kevin's Primary School**

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Principal: Ms Frances Matisi

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Principal: Mr Greg Thomas

**RESCHEDULED**

**Palliative Care Information Session**

**Please note:** this has now been rescheduled to  
Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

**TGI'S YOUTH GROUP REMINDER**

A reminder that our next event will be on  
Saturday 26th October, 6.45pm-8.45pm.  
It's a "Survivor Night" with loads of  
yummy food and activities to take you on  
a trip of survival. 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. \$5 donation  
appreciated for catering purposes. RSVP  
to [tgiyg17@gmail.com](mailto:tgiyg17@gmail.com)

**TGI'S END OF YEAR CELEBRATION**

Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November

TGI Leaders and their families will host  
5.30pm Mass followed by a sausage  
sizzle and a TGI night of family games.  
Save the date and bring the family!

**The next Seniors Drop-In Morning Tea will  
be held in our Gathering Space on  
Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am.  
All welcome. Please call Pat Rowland on  
0425 744 903 for more information.**

**FACING CLIMATE CHANGE IN A POST-TRUTH WORLD**

How do we face the climate challenge with honesty,  
compassion and courage? What sources can we draw  
on for emotional resilience? Where to find Hope in a  
confused world?

**When:** 7.00 for 7.30pm Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October

**Where:** Manningham Civic Centre, 699 Doncaster Rd,  
Doncaster

The event is free, but to ensure your place please  
book: <https://www.stickytickets.com.au/56912>

**BRIGIDINE ASYLUM SEEKERS PROJECT**

**DISCUSSION NIGHT 3 – 2017**

**Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2017**

Marie Hapke, chair of Refugee Advocacy Network  
and a member of the Australian Refugee Advocacy  
Network will outline where advocacy efforts are  
being targeted. 8<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> October is a National action  
week for change in Australian policies to asylum  
seekers.

**When:** 7.30-9.30pm

**Where:** St Joseph's Hall, 274 Rouse St, Pt Melbourne

**COMMUNITY CLIMATE PETITION**

**We all deserve to live in a safe climate**

2016 was by far the hottest year ever recorded. Each  
month more heat and extreme weather records are  
broken. Climate change is the single biggest challenge  
to ending extreme poverty and adds to stresses of  
inequality and conflict. Let's take a stand for climate  
justice. You can sign the petition at:  
[www.caritas.org.au/climate-petition](http://www.caritas.org.au/climate-petition)