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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."

# **Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time Baptism Presentations**

27/28th January, 2018

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia! A people in darkness have seen a great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.

Alleluia!

# Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear us we pray.

## **Communion Antiphon**

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.



# Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

We know, perhaps all too well, how much we human beings can be a mystery to one another. For better or for worse, even longstanding spouses and best friends can discover things about each other that they never suspected. For those who choose to be disciples of Jesus Christ this is a great truth and blessing. No matter how well we think we know him, there are depths in Jesus that we will never cease exploring. He remains endlessly fascinating.

In the early chapters of Mark's gospel Jesus appears as a person of impressive authority. What he has to say has the ring of truth about it, and the power of his personality is such that he draws the most disturbed of human beings into the realm of well-being. Are we ready to follow him?

Baptisms Welcome! This weekend we welcome: Celebration

of the

Simone and Adrian Bonacci Sacrament of Baptism who will be introducing **James**. Alanah and Paul Rocca who will be introducing Olivia and Sara and Joseph Ferola who will be introducing **Jaxon** 

(we were ready last weekend, but now this weekend they are with us) to our Community in preparation

for their Baptisms next weekend.

# 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

Tuesday: 11.00am @ Pioneer VillageThursday: 9.15am Mass in the ChapelFriday: 9.15am Mass in the 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/

## **Parish Social Justice**

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

#### **FUN FACTS ABOUT AUSTRALIA DAY**



Australia Day is celebrated on the 26th of January every year, marked by most Australians with a day off due to the national public holiday, along with parties, going to the beach and attending fireworks displays. But do you really know what Australia Day really symbolises? We have compiled a list of some fun and interesting facts about Australia Day and our history that you may not have already known!

- The first recorded Australia Day celebrations were held on January 26, 1808 to mark twenty years since Captain Arthur Phillip raised the flag at Sydney Cove.
- Australia Day was called "Foundation Day" in the early part of the nineteenth century, and was typically marked by sporting events including horse racing and boat races.
- By 1888 nearly all of the colonies had declared a public holiday to celebrate Australia Day, but it wasn't until the 1940's that January 26th was agreed upon by all states as the proper day to celebrate.
- The two animals featured on the Australian coat of arms are the Emu and the Kangaroo the reason for this being that neither animal can walk backwards, but instead can always go forwards, symbolising Australia's desire to do the same.

# **LAST WEEK'S GIVING**

Envelopes \$ 730.00Direct Debit/Credit Card \$ 780.00Total \$ 1,510.00 (1)

Priests' Living Costs \$ 833.00

Number of Envelopes 43

(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

**PLANNED GIVING:** For envelopes, please contact the office.

# Relief for 8.30am folk!

The Passionists are back in Templestowe – so you 8.30am folk will have some variety next weekend!

#### LITURGY ROSTER

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Job 7: 1-4, 6-7

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1<sup>st</sup> of Paul to Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23

**Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39** 

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Peter Howes	Tasha Vercauteren	Ann Maguire Bredenia Raquel Fiona Watson
8.30am	Paul Polidano	Frank Ozzimo	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick
9.00am	Helen Norman	Margaret Mangan	Pat Bond Bernard Charnley Peter Norman
10.00am	Carmel Purdey	Vianney Shiel	Jo Ridgeway Pat Rowland Carmel Shiel

# Mark's Gospel With Fr Monaghan

We are about to have months of this gospel. Just a reminder to all that Fr Chris Monaghan will again share with us insights into Mark's Gospel.

Come along on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm to the Gathering Space to be further enlightened.

Not to be missed! Everyone is invited!

We pray for Better Health: Brian O'Connell, Rosemary Kiecke, John & Maeve Reardon, Massino Cappadona, Carly Coulter, Rita Farallo, Fr Ernie Smith and Marianne Condon. <u>Anniversaries</u>: Gerard Selleck and Sr Ellen (Conception) Holland SJC

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: Fr Tim O'Toole, Jacob Cheong, Agatina Monaco, and Patricia Wood.

## **World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life**

Each year on the Feast of the Presentation (February 2<sup>nd</sup>) the Church celebrates and honours the gift of Consecrated Life to the Church and the world. Many of us have been grateful recipients of ministry of faithful religious in schools, hospitals, parishes, etc. Please spare a prayer of thanksgiving for the religious that have touched your life. Please pray that young people may generously offer themselves to the Lord in service in the religious life.

## **Position Vacant**: Interchange Outer East, a

Carer Support Group for parents and carers of a child or young adult with a disability, are holding Casual Support Worker Recruitment Information Sessions. They are looking for people who are:

- Committed to a community where rights and opportunities are equal for all;
- Passionate about working with people;
- Able to work independently & with initiative;
- Looking for casual work in a workplace that offers variety and fun; and
- Over the age of 18.

More details on the flyer on the noticeboard.

## How about this for a National Prayer!

God, who has set a restlessness in our hearts and made us all seekers after which we can never fully find,

forbid us to be satisfied with what we make of life.

Draw us from base content and set our eyes on far-off goals.

Keep us at tasks too hard for us that we may be driven to you for strength.

Deliver us from fretfulness and self-pitying; make us sure of the good we cannot see and of the hidden good in the world.

Open our eyes to the simple beauty around us and our hearts to the loveliness people hide from us because we do not try to understand them.

Save us from ourselves and show us a vision of a world made new.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.
(Eleanor Roosevelt's nightly prayer, from
Mother R, Elliott Roosevelt and
James Brough)

The first **Parish Advisory Board Meeting** for 2018 will be held on **Tuesday**, **6**<sup>th</sup> **February**.

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#### Excerpt from the Social Justice Statement...

The financial crisis of 2007-08 provided an opportunity to develop a new economy, more attentive to ethical principles, and new ways of regulating speculative financial practices and virtual wealth. But he response to the crisis did not include rethinking the outdated criteria which continue to rule the world.

\*\*Pope Francis\*\*

### Quotes from Evangelii Gaudium...

In responding to secularisation:...

we need to provide an education which teaches critical thinking and encourages the development of mature moral values. (n. 64)

#### **POPE FRANCIS QUOTES**

From his address to the Fifth National Conference of the Italian Church (November, 2015)

#### There are two temptations:

**FIRST** ... *Pelagianism* brings us to have confidence in the structures, in organisations, in planning which is perfect because abstract. Often it leads us also to take a style of control, of hardness, setting the norm. Faced with the evils or the problems of the Church, it is useless to look for solutions in conservatism and fundamentalism, in the restoration of outdated conduct and forms that have not the ability to be even culturally significant.

Christian doctrine is not a closed system incapable of generating questions, concerns, investigation, but it is alive, knows how to disturb, knows how to animate. It does not have a rigid face, it has a body that moves and develops, it has sensitive flesh: Christian doctrine is called Jesus Christ.

SECOND ... The temptation of Gnosticism. Not to put into practice, not to bring the Word to reality, means to build on sand, to remain on the level of ideas and to degenerate into intimacies that bear no fruit, that make sterile its dynamism. Closeness to the people and prayer are the key to living a popular Christian humanism, humble, generous, happy. If we lose this contact with the faithful people of God we lose humanity and not going anywhere. I urge on you also, in a special way, the capacity for dialogue and encounter. Dialogue is not negotiation. Negotiating is to try to get one's own "slice" of the communal pie. ... Discuss together, dare I say get angry together, think about the best solutions for all. Many times the encounter is found involved in conflict. In dialogue conflict occurs: it is logical and predictable that it is this way. And we should not fear it or ignore it but accept it. "Agreeing to bear the conflict, resolve it and transform it into a connecting link of a new process" (Evangelii Gaudium, 227).



# EXPERIENCE TAÍZÉ

Every last Friday of the Month – 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 6pm-7pm at St Pius X Church 431 Waterdale Road, West Heidelberg

Come and experience this calming, quieting, welcome respite from the hustle and bustle of life....

Music Silence In God's presence

All are welcome! Light supper after prayer will be provided.