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ST KEVIN'S PARISH

VISION STATEMENT

St Kevin's Catholic Parish is a Catholic community called by God and trusting in Jesus. We aspire to care for and connect with the wide world and to be hospitable and generous so that all may live life to the full.

Palm Sunday

24/25th March, 2018



So we begin **HOLY WEEK!**
Easter is upon us!

EASTER TIMETABLE

29th March: Holy Thursday at 7.30pm
30th March: Good Friday at 3.00pm
31st March: Easter Vigil at 8.00pm *
1st April: Easter Sunday at 8.30 and 10.00am
NB: There will not be a 9.00am Mass at Holy Cross Monastery on Easter Sunday morning.

Whereas Lent is 40 days of simplicity, Easter is 40 days celebrating the extravagance of God. "Lenten milk gives way to Easter cream". Easter is a time to reflect on the mystery of our faith, that what God did in Jesus, God is doing in the lives of God's people (mystagogy). We need to unpack all that we did over the Easter event. The Gospels of Easter help us with this and help us to remember that Easter is not just one day but 7 Sundays (a week of weeks). What we do Easter Day we do all the Sundays of Easter.

The Triduum stands to the year, then as Sunday stands to the week. Sunday is the Lord's Day, the Day of Resurrection, of Eucharist. We need our annual Passover celebration partly as the Jews do, as a reminder, but mostly for the benefit of the emerging church, the newly baptised. After Pentecost, our lives go back to their normal rhythms, never to be normal again.

SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

Masses this week -

Holy Saturday: 8.00pm (Yes – 8.00pm)

Easter Sunday: 8.30am & 10.00am
No 9.00am at Holy Cross Monastery

Tuesday: 9.15am in the Chapel

Holy Thursday: 7.30pm in the Church

Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

Reconciliation – One to one

(1st Rite of Reconciliation) from
10.00-10.30am on Holy Saturday morning

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.

Reform and Renewal after the Royal Commission: An invitation to a Conversation, 19th April.

In his discussion with Fatima Measham, consulting editor of Eureka Street, after the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Abuse handed down its final report, Francis Sullivan, CEO of the Truth Justice and Healing Council suggested that ordinary, conventional Catholics have been demoralised by the experience which has led to them withdrawing from participation in the Church; that the credibility of Church leaders has declined and that this decline in credibility has been caused by Church leaders themselves. Some have attempted to “deny this history, and they sought to somehow contextualise it as a thing of the past”. A new model of leadership is needed, he said, and the Catholic Church needs to use this moment as a stimulus for reform and renewal. Some questions:

Have we fully appreciated the scandal, horror and the extent of what has happened and why it happened?

To what extent is a new, more inclusive leadership model needed?

How do we respond in a way that will lead to real and effective reform?

You are invited to join a conversation about this article and the questions it raises on Thursday, 19th April at St Kevin’s Church Gathering Space, beginning at 7.30pm. It will be an opportunity to voice and explore your questions in a trusting environment. The full article can be found at <https://www.eurekastreet.com.au/article.aspx?aeid=54488>

LAST WEEK’S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 915.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>780.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,695.00 (1)</u>
Priests’ Living Costs	\$ 1,160.00

Number of Envelopes 49

(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

PLANNED GIVING: For envelopes, please contact the office.

ST KEVIN’S SOCIAL JUSTICE 2ND COLLECTIONS

Our Second Collections
leading up to Easter will
go towards Caritas’
“Project Compassion”.

These boxes are now due back so
please don’t forget to return yours!



LITURGY ROSTER

Easter Sunday – 31st March/1st April, 2018

1st Reading: Acts 10: 34-43

2nd Reading: Paul: 3: 1-4

Gospel: John 20: 1-9

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
8.00pm		Margaret Mangan Raffaella Dinelli 2 MORE NEEDED	Raffaella Dinelli Lyn Murphy Jo Ridgeway Tony Whelan
8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Kirsten Collins	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick
9.00am	Michael Doyle	Pat Bond	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Miriam Ayoub Frances Johnson	Kaye Byrne Lyn/Tony Robinson Murray Cullinan

Martin Luther King

was shot dead on 4th April, 1968.

Leading up to his fifty year anniversary, we shall remind you of some of his enlightening and saintly statements, eg “Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the whole staircase” and “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere”.



We pray for Better Health: John & Maeve Reardon, Massino Cappadona, Carly Coulter, Rita Faralla, Fr Ernie Smith, Marianne Condon, Don Tynan, Fiona Watson, Pat Dyson, Vittorio Virgona and Maria Amato.

Anniversaries: Augusta Giannini, Corina Bertolini and Val Giannarelli

Recently Deceased: Giuseppina Ziino

ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

First Holy Communion Families please don't forget that on-line bookings close on Monday, 26th March.

Please ring the Parish Office on 9850 5983 or pam.cohen7@icloud.com if you require further information.

*** Super Supper –**

(after the Vigil Mass at 8pm, 31st March)

The PAB and helpers invite you to join with your fellow parishioners in a fitting celebration in our Gathering Space after the Vigil Mass. This will help to mark the joyous celebration of Christ's Resurrection. A shared plate for supper would be most appreciated. Drinks and music will be provided!

Trish Wilson (PAB)

An Easter Morning Dawn Service will be held at Holy Cross Monastery at 6.30am. All welcome to attend.

The Swag – pick up your copy today from the “Hot Topics” box. As usual, plenty of challenging reading!

The Melbourne Passion Play will be in its 22nd year of production this Easter season. This FREE event will take place in the open, at the grounds of the Holy Cross Centre on Palm Sunday at 1.30pm and Good Friday at 10.00am.

Help Wanted! Please help our Easter Ceremonies to flow as smoothly as possible by being prepared to “step in” and assist wherever needed. This may be with reading, communion minister, etc. Also please check our Liturgy Roster (above) to see where assistance is needed. Thank you.

An important Holy Thursday reminder...

We are both givers and receivers, those who have and those who need. At the heart of service is mutuality: we learn from those we teach and are healed by those we tend.



Please be generous on this wonderful night, in both washing a foot and having your own foot washed.

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please contact:

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Principal: Mr Greg Thomas

PROJECT COMPASSION

When Psyche Mae featured in Project Compassion 2008, she was living in a squatter settlement, near a rubbish dump in the Philippines. She is now a social worker, with plans to study a Master's degree, whilst helping others emerge from poverty, thanks to the support of individuals and Caritas Australia. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help improve the health and wellbeing of communities in the Philippines so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a just future for all.**

EASTER CEREMONIES

To assist in making our Easter Ceremonies even more meaningful, our Liturgy Committee, along with Fr Gerry, have decided to temporarily change the layout of the Church setting.

This includes setting up a temporary altar, changing the position of the organ, chairs, lectern, etc.

All will be "back to normal" by Pentecost Sunday.

***Pope Francis said that
"every person ought to have the
awareness that purchasing is
always a moral –
and not simply an economic – act".***

World Vision in its 2015 report, *Chocolate's Bitter Taste*, estimates that Australians spend up to \$3 billion on chocolate a year, with sales peaking at Easter. Much of the chocolate we consume in Australia is made with cocoa beans picked by enslaved children, particularly West Africa. You can make a difference to the world, and to the lives of these children, by buying only slavery-free chocolate.



ACTION: Please buy and eat only slavery-free Easter eggs and chocolate this Easter. Look for one of these three symbols on the chocolate wrapper and make a difference.

A Meditation Reflection... Each day in meditation, we learn to wait on God and to attend to God. We put aside all empty thinking like: 'Am I enjoying this? Am I becoming wiser? Holier? Is this a good thing to do? Is it a waste of time?' Meditation is a pilgrimage. It is a journey away from self, into the Mystery of God. This is a gift to us. It is an amazing blessing in our lives. In meditation we learn to become simple, one and whole. We come to peace. We become our real selves, as God sees us.

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project are holding a *Film Fundraiser*

Movie: The Other Side Of Hope

When: Sunday, 15th April at 3.30pm

Where: Kino Cinemas, 45 Collins Street, Melbourne

Cost: \$25 per person including light refreshments

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/UOXF>

**"CALLED to WELCOME
& PROTECT"**



**PALM SUNDAY
25 MARCH 2018**

1.00: Prayer Service — St Patrick's Cathedral
East Melbourne

"As critics say, the humane treatment of people who seek protection may be a lost cause. So also did seem the cause of the man who rode into Jerusalem on a donkey on the first Palm Sunday."

Andrew Hamilton,
consulting editor of Eureka Street