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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.

**Pentecost Sunday**

**19/20<sup>th</sup> May, 2018**

**Confirmation Weekend**

### Entrance Antiphon

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

### Responsorial Psalm

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

### Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear our prayer.

### Communion Antiphon

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



### PENTECOST SUNDAY - A SPIRIT-FILLED WEEKEND

We celebrate the third of the "Big 3" events of our Liturgical calendar with the other two being Christmas and Easter.

## LIVING THE GOSPEL

### Come, Holy Spirit

*'Come, Holy Spirit', or its Latin, Vene Sancte Spiritus, has become the basis of countless prayers and hymns over many hundreds of years. To this day, it remains a powerful invocation that can be used in prayer or meditation. Three simple words convey a wealth of meaning. The invitation for the Spirit to 'Come' indicates recognition of the need for the Spirit's intervention and openness to accept the guidance that the Spirit brings. It is a powerful, simple prayer that can be used at the outset of any significant undertaking or whenever you find yourself in need of inspiration.*

# SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

## Adoration –

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:** 11.00am at Ashby Aged Care

**Thursday:** 9.15am in the Chapel

**Friday:** 9.15am with St Kevin's Middle C

## Christian Meditation –

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.



*Next weekend, our parish children will be celebrating their*

## First Communion Commitment Masses

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

## Reform and Renewal

A number of parishioners gathered to discuss what these words mean in the light of the Royal Commission on sexual abuse. It was a lively and engaging night. We said all parishioners will be interested in this! So in the "Hot Topics Box," "our" report is available today.

*Congratulations*

**To our wonderful Parish Priest, Fr Gerry McKernan, who celebrates 47 years of ordination on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Well done Fr Gerry and thank you for all that you do for us and our parish.**

## Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal 2018, Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> May

The Melbourne Catholic Archbishop's Charitable Fund is conducting its annual Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal in parishes to support the vital work of Catholic Chaplains in our community. Our focus for 2018 is Prison Chaplaincy.

**Launched today** throughout Australia is the process towards the 2020 Plenary Council. This Council gives us all an opportunity to listen to what the Spirit is saying. The launch says "we are going to build the agenda for the Plenary Council together through dialogue ... Every one of us is invited to listen to God by listening to one another." In the coming months, as a parish community we shall be invited to gather together and reflect on this question "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" "What changes need to occur in the Church?" "What do parents want of the Church?" Collating our ideas and questions about the future of the Church, we submit online through the Plenary Council webpage.

A waste of time – maybe, but that's what "they" said about the Second Vatican Council, that's what "they" said about the South American conference at Medellin that legitimised liberation theology. Let's give it a red hot go!

More information on the above is on our website together with an "Ordaining Women" article.

## LAST WEEK'S GIVING

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Envelopes                | \$ 602.00              |
| Direct Debit/Credit Card | \$ 780.00              |
| Total                    | \$ <u>1,555.00 (1)</u> |
| Priests' Living Costs    | \$ 825.00              |

Number of Envelopes 45

(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

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

**Mass Count** Counters please count the number of folk who are at Mass. Record sheets are on the bench in the sacristy.

## ST KEVIN'S SOCIAL JUSTICE 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTIONS

The second collection for May will be for the Sacred Heart Mission.

## LITURGY ROSTER

The Most Holy Trinity – 26/27<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Deut 4: 32-34. 39-40 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 8: 14-17 Gospel: Matthew 28: 16-20

| Time    | Commentator      | Lector            | Communion  | Welcomers          |
|---------|------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------|
| 5.30pm  | Peter Howes      | Tasha Vercauteren | Ann Maguire<br>Maryann McNamara                          | Vercauteren Family |
| 8.30am  | Paul Polidano    | Frank Ozzimo      | Betty Natoli<br>Mary Waddick<br>Peter Waddick            |                    |
| 9.00am  | Bernard Charnley | Marie Reichert    | Christine Flannery<br>Dianne Flannery<br>Margaret Mangan |                    |
| 10.00am | Lucy Halliburton | Johnson Family    | Raffaella Dinelli<br>Julie O'Donnell<br>Pat Rowland      | Gorn Family        |

**We pray for Better Health:** Massino Cappadona, Carly Coulter, Pat Dyson, Vittorio Virgona, Maria Amato, Natalie Salvo, Jadwiga Krolkowski, Crofton Uniacke and John Turner.

**Anniversaries:**

Roberto Milanes (1<sup>st</sup>)

**Recently Deceased:**

Graham Lewis Morrison



***We, our Parish Community, prays that our families will be deeply touched by the power of God's Spirit, especially to the following children who receive Confirmation this weekend, conferred by Monsignor Anthony Ireland***

*Gemma Angerosa*

*Lucy Bedford*

*Bianca Bertuna*

*Isabella Bertuna*

*Danielle Biondo*

*Lewis Boyko*

*Charlee Calthorpe*

*Oscar Carafa*

*Maximillion Ceppi*

*Anson Cheng*

*Valentina Crescia*

*Harlan Di Carlo*

*Gisele Enaty*

*Lara Farfalla*

*Lucas Frisina*

*Jaidyn Giacomini*

*Summer Hague*

*Ben Hosking*

*Keira Hosking*

*Savanna James*

*Don Jeffery*

*Sabrina Johnson*

*Kane Jurkin*

*David Kalbrunner*

*Lucy Keenan*

*Harrison Kneebone*

*Massimo Kocuk*

*Alessia Manariti*

*Lucas Manariti*

*Sofia Marchionno*

*Christine Marini*

*Rachel Marini*

*Caitlin McAuley*

*Olivia Meagher*

*Lara Moussa*

*Kirsten O'Brien*

*Fabio Piccirilli*

*Nicholas Piccirilli*

*Giancarlo Raco*

*Alexander Rendina*

*Kana Roberts*

*Ethan Robertson*

*Joshua Rowe*

*Olivia Sandwell*

*Sebastian Sandwell*

*Anthony Scardamaglia*

*Greta Scuderi*

*Cristiano Silvestri*

*Jack Spencer*

*Lucas Superina*

*Mieke Vercauteren*

*Dakota-Jai Wagg and Mercedes Zulic*

***Congratulations Children***

Our next **Drop-In Event** will be on **Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May.**

The day will begin with Eucharist at 10.30am followed by a delicious morning tea. If you would like further information, please contact Pat Rowland on 9850 3387. All welcome.

### ***Inspirational Quotes From Christian Meditation Network***

We come to meditation because we seek what is most important to our lives. We come with discipline to be open to the source of meaning found within our deepest selves. We know that love cannot be demanded, cannot be earned. Love is given and in Jesus it is revealed to each how great is the extent of God's love for each of us personally. Jesus has placed love in our hearts. By meditating we simply set out to be open to what is given in love.

### **COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY:**

#### **MAKING OUR CHURCH WHAT CHRIST INTENDED IN THE WORLD OF TODAY**

##### **Part 4**

This is the final part of an introduction to the "2020 Plenary Council" which is being officially launched in Parishes across Australia this Pentecost weekend "Open Dialogue and Listening Encounters for the Plenary Council". This is not simply another event, but more responsibility for all of us collectively, now and forever, for helping to make the Church today and in future what Christ intended and what our faith tells us it should be. Extracts are drawn from various resources associated with the Plenary Council, including the Plenary Council website.

Speaking to The Tablet [14th October 2017] Archbishop Mark Coleridge claimed that the Church in Australia "is facing the biggest crisis in its history". This is partly occasioned by the Australian Government's Royal Commission into Institutional Responses into Child Sexual Abuse. One part of the Australian Bishops' response has been to call a Plenary Council of all the Dioceses in Australia in 2020. But as Archbishop Coleridge said the Plenary Council is meant not only to review the findings of the Royal Commission but also "to undertake a broad review of the Church's mission, including how to give more responsibility to lay people. **O**ne major criticism of the Australian Church has been of the institutionalised clericalism within its ranks. Another topic to be discussed at the plenary council is how to involve women in the running of the Church".

The Royal Commission was a deeply humbling experience for the church because a large percentage of the allegations investigated by the Commission involved Catholic Institutions. Institutions supposedly run by disciples of Jesus who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me." (Matt 19:14). In their Final Report the Commissioners made 21 recommendations explicitly about the Catholic Church. Archbishop Coleridge reminds us that the last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937. It has been more than 80 years since we gathered all of the Church together and much has changed. In 2020, we will have a Plenary Council about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. **H**e asks What are we called to do? Who are we called to be? How do we need to change? **P**ope Francis has spoken of the need to engage in the world and respond in faith. He said "The defining aspect of this change of epoch is that things are no longer in their place. Our previous ways of explaining the world and relationships, good and bad, no longer appear to work. The way in which we locate ourselves in history has changed. Things we thought would never happen, or that we never thought we would see, we are experiencing now, and we dare not even imagine the future. That which appeared normal to us – family, the Church, society and the world – will probably no longer seem that way. **W**e cannot simply wait for what we are experiencing to pass, under the illusion that things will return to being how they were before." The journey toward Plenary Council and beyond will help us to prepare to listen to God by listening to one another. We invite all people to engage, to be a part of the listening and dialogue encounter in the next two years.