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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.

Third Sunday of Lent 3rd/4th March, 2018 Caritas Speaker Weekend

Entrance Antiphon

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare.

Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
God loved the world so much,
he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might
have eternal life.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

In your mercy Lord, please hear our prayers.

Communion Antiphon

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

Welcome to our special guest from Caritas Australia, Megan Bourke. Thank you Megan for sharing some of your Caritas insights with us.

Communal Penance Service

Tuesday, 20th March at 7.30pm.



Project Compassion 2018 Prayer

God of all peoples and nations, you accompany us on our Lenten journey. Through the life and mission of your son, you give us the gift of mercy.

May we learn to walk your way of justice and compassion with all our people.

In a special way, we keep in mind the children, women and men around the world who are most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

In this Year of Youth, may we support young people as they recognise that through their efforts, their desire to change and their generosity, they too are participating in the building of a better world.

Bless our prayers, our fasting and our Lenten gifts to Project Compassion. Through these actions, may our hearts be open to receive your grace as we work towards a just future for all your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Amen.

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) Commitment

Sunday: 8.30am & 10.00amTuesday: 9.15am in the ChapelFriday: 9.15am 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.

Women and Faith: Australian Catholic University

The Australian Catholic University and the Australian Intercultural Society invite you to:

Listening to the Female Voice: Women and Faith

Date: Tuesday 6 March 2018 Time: 6pm to 8pm

Location: Christ Lecture Theatre, Australian Catholic University,

115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy, VIC 3065

Religious institutions have long been seen as patriarchal establishments where the female voice has often been silenced. However, today we see a rising trend of women speaking up and taking lead in faith movements and reclaiming space and participation in religious institutions and hierarchies. To what extent have women been silenced?

What space do women share with men in shaping matters of faith?

Who are women and movements of faith that have become points of inspiration?

Where are we today on matters of justice and equality?

More information: <u>03 9867 2248</u>

or info@intercultural.org.au

Registration is essential for this free event.

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

 Envelopes
 \$ 675.00

 Direct Debit/Credit Card
 \$ 780.00

 Total
 \$ 1,455.00 (1)

 Priests' Living Costs
 \$ 935.00

Number of Envelopes 44

(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".



More Good News! There has been a change of plans for the Sandwell Family. This means that our skillful and energetic Pastoral Worker, Rebecca, will continue to be with us at St Kevin's! Good news indeed!

LITURGY ROSTER

Fourth Sunday of Lent - 10/11th March, 2018 1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23

> 2nd Reading: Ephesians: 2: 4-10 Gospel: John 3: 14-21

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Janet Parsons	Margaret Turner	Maryann McNamara Bredenia Raquel
8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Kirsten Collins	Betty Natoli Frank Ozzimo Paul Polidano
9.00am	Margaret Mangan	Michael Doyle	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery
10.00am	Tony Byrne	Miriam Ayoub	Kaye Byrne Jo Ridgeway Geraldine Williams

Hot Topics!

Check out our *Hot Topics* box to find an article entitled: "Why Clericalism Matters".
A very interesting read.

Parish Library

We are most pleased to see you all making good use of our Parish Library. Please ensure that all borrowed books are returned in a timely manner for others to enjoy.

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

Recently Deceased:

ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A Parent Information Night is planned for Wednesday 7th March, at 7pm in the Church, where instructions will be given for online bookings. This is a compulsory evening for all parents. Please ring the Parish Office on 9850 5983 (Tuesday-Friday 9am-4pm) or email: templestowe@cam.org.au or pam.cohen7@icloud.com for further information.

Thought Provokers...

- What everyday forms of injustice exist in our community today?
 How can you challenge this injustice?
- What deadens liturgy?What enlivens liturgy?
- How can anger be channelled into a positive emotion?

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY – 8TH MARCH

The theme for International Women's Day is "Time is Now: Rural and urban activists transforming women's lives". This year, International Women's Day comes on the heels of unprecedented global movement for women's rights, equality and justice. International Women's Day is an opportunity to transform this momentum into action, to empower women in all settings, rural and urban, and celebrate the activists who are working relentlessly to claim women's rights and realise their full potential. International Women's Day also draws attention to the rights and activism of rural women, who make up over a quarter of the world population and majority of the 43 per cent of women in the global agricultural labour force. They till the lands and plant seeds to feed nations.

Baptism Welcome!

This weekend we welcome:

Celebration of the Secrement of Baptism

Alexandra and Adrian Costanzo who will be introducing Matteo to our Community in preparation for his Baptism next weekend.

Have you checked out our Parish Website recently???

If you do

(pol.cam.org.au/Templestowe/Home) you will find lots of Lenten information, together with Gospel Reflections from our school children (in the Events and Community tab).

Well worth an investigation!

For information on our Parish Schools please contact:

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principal@sktemplestowelr.catholic.edu.au

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Principal: Mr Greg Thomas

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

Can't find slavery-free Easter eggs in your supermarket?

Ten years ago there was almost no slavery-free chocolate in our supermarkets in Australia. Now, because of public pressure, most supermarkets will sell some. ALDI has a huge range of slavery-free chocolate.







ACTION: When you go to your local supermarket, look for chocolate that has one of these three symbols. If you can't find any, ask the manager if they stock any.



A big **THANK YOU** to all of you who have contributed coupons to assist our schools in receiving new sporting equipment.

Save the Date! The next TGI event will be held on Saturday, 17th March. Watch this space for more details to follow.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Bayan is a young Syrian girl in Jordan who struggled to overcome the trauma of living in a conflict zone, facing the prospect of missing out on school. With Caritas Australia's support, Bayan is excelling in her studies, with ambitions to become an ophthalmologist.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help equip young people to succeed in the future, bringing stability to vulnerable youth, providing just futures for others like Bayan.

This Tuesday night, 6th March, our Parish groups are warmly invited to come together, pray, meet in their committees, then briefly share over a cuppa their insights into the common theme of "welcome". Don't belong to a Parish group? – okay. Please still think how you are going to make St Kevin's an even more welcoming place.

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project Discussion Night 1 – Thursday March 8th, 2018

"Current policies and practices that govern the fate of those seeking asylum in Australia: and what we can do to change them"

Speakers: Linda Cusworth

(Combined Refugee Action Group, Geelong) We will have a couple of speakers from BASP to outline the effects of policies on them.

And we will have an update on the activities of BASP.

Time: 7.30-9.3pm Where: St Joseph's Hall

(beside the bluestone Church) 274 Rouse St, Port Melbourne

Calling all Knitters! We would like to knit squares to be sown into blankets to contribute towards the St Vinnies Winter Appeal.

If you would like to help, please let us know, and we shall provide you with materials.

This invitation is extended to everyone of all ages.

Can't knit? That's OK!
Donations of needles/wool
would also be gratefully
appreciated.

