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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."

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

20th/21st January, 2018

Baptism Presentation

Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty
and splendour,
strength and honour in his
holy place.

Responsorial Psalm

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near:
believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.



Baptism Welcome!

This weekend we welcome:

Sara and Joseph Ferola

who will be introducing **Jaxon**
to our Community in preparation
for his Baptism in a couple of weeks.

Celebration
of the
Sacrament of Baptism



Blessed Ordinariness

So, blessed with the knowledge that our
Ordinary Time is graced by God – may we move
joyfully into 2018 proclaiming with confidence
the good news of great joy that a saviour has
been born to us and he is, Christ, the Lord.

Cathy Jenkins

Director, Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation

Opportunity

50 people enjoyed and gained great insights
into Mark's Gospel from Fr Chris Monaghan. We
are about to have months of this gospel.
Consequently Chris' next "talk" is eagerly
awaited.

Thanks to our generosity over December
and Christmas, we have been able to send
\$3,079.00 to Charity Graf's magnificent
work at "Gentle Hands" and the same
amount to our "sister" community at
Patupat, both in the Philippines. Wow!
Won't this money go a long way over there!

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: 9.15am Mass in the Chapel

Thursday: 9.15am Mass in the Chapel

Friday: 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.

LIVING GOSPEL

The Good News is here

This week's gospel marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry in the Gospel of Mark. The gospel writer has Jesus clearly announcing his message in plain, simple language: "The kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News." That message is as true for us today as it was when those words were first spoken. The kingdom is still close at hand if we would only recognise it in our midst rather than pinning our hopes on some future reward. The call to repent and believe the Good News is as relevant for us as it was for the first believers.

Questions to help you move deeper into "The Word"

- What would be your equivalent of being called to abandon fishing and follow Jesus?
- What signs exist that the kingdom really is close at hand?
- Why is Jesus' call to repent still a difficult challenge?

Answer to last week's riddle

Yes, a bunch of men waiting for a haircut of course is:
"A Barber Queue!"

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 640.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ 780.00
Total	\$ <u>1,220.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs	\$ 916.00

Number of Envelopes 40

(1) Weekly Pledged amount \$3,020.65

PLANNED GIVING: For envelopes, please contact the office.

Check out our "Hot Topics" box!

It contains a written
article by
Andrew Hamilton on
"New Year Dreams Of A
Better World".
Very interesting reading.

LITURGY ROSTER

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27/28th January, 2018

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

2nd Reading: 1st Letter of Paul to Corinthians 7: 32-35

Gospel: Mark 1: 21-28

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion
5.30pm	Janet Parsons	Carmen Childs	Maryann McNamara Bredenia Raquel Fiona Watson
8.30am	Mike Westbrook	Rebecca Sandwell	Betty Natoli Frank Ozzimo Paul Polidano
9.00am	Bernard Charnley	Marie Reichert	Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery Margaret Mangan
10.00am	Lucy Halliburton	Frances Johnson	Murray Cullinan Lyn Murphy Julie O'Donnell

Have you seen the new books in our Parish Library yet?

If not, why not check them out!

You will find a little something for everyone.

January – a great time to read.



We pray for Better Health: Brian O'Connell, Rosemary Kiecke, John & Maeve Reardon, Fr Tim O'Toole CP, Massino Cappadona, Carly Coulter, Rita Farallo and Fr Ernie Smith.

Anniversaries: Margaret Materazzo, Bryan O'Toole and Mario Bolzonello

Recently Deceased: Michael De Luca, Maria Egan, Fr Guida Taddeo Cumbo and Vito Adamo



Please note: Mass next Friday (Australia Day) will be at the usual time of 9.15am.

Excerpt from the Social Justice Statement...

The current crisis obliges us to re-plan our journey, to set ourselves new rules and to discover new forms of commitment, to build on positive experiences and to reject negative ones.

Pope Benedict XVI

Congratulations & Welcome

to our two new

Parish Advisory Board Members:

Luisa Loto'Aniu and Tony Robinson.

Also, ***Congratulations*** to our new Board Chairperson: **Frances Johnson.**

The first meeting for 2018 will be held on Tuesday, 6th February.

We pray for the continuation of the smooth running of our parish and all of its good works.

Quotes from Evangelii Gaudium...

The new evangelisation is carried out in three "principal" settings:

- Ordinary pastoral ministry
- The baptised whose lives do not reflect the demands of Baptism (those who lack a meaningful relationship to the Church and no longer experience the consolation of faith)
- Preaching the Gospel to "those who do not know Jesus Christ or who have always rejected him" (n. 15)

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Sister Barbara

Sitting by the window of her convent, Sister Barbara opened a letter from home one evening. Inside the letter was a \$100 bill her parents had sent.

Sister Barbara smiled at the gesture. As she read the letter by the window, she noticed a shabbily dressed stranger leaning against the lamp post below.

Quickly, she wrote, "Don't despair. Sister Barbara," on a piece of paper, wrapped the \$100 bill in it, got the man's attention and tossed it out the window to him. The stranger picked it up, and with a puzzled expression and a tip of his hat, went off down the street.

The next day, Sister Barbara was told that a man was at her door, insisting on seeing her. She went down, and found the stranger waiting. Without a word, he handed her a huge wad of \$100 bills.

"What's this?" she asked. "That's the \$8,000 you have coming Sister," he replied.

"Don't Despair paid 80-to-1."

POPE FRANCIS QUOTES

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

Three characteristics of the mind of Christ:

1. Humility.

The glory of God that shines in the humility of the cave of Bethlehem or in the dishonour of the cross of Christ surprises us always.

2. Selflessness.

... we must look for the happiness of those around us. The humanity of the Christian is always outgoing. It is not narcissistic, self-referential. Our duty is to work to make this world a better place and to fight for this. Our faith is revolutionary, with an impulse that comes from the holy Spirit.

3. Blessedness.

In the Beatitudes, the Lord shows us the way. To be "blessed", to enjoy the consolation of friendship with Jesus Christ, you need to have an open heart. Blessedness is a laborious wager, made of relinquishing, listening and learning, whose fruits are harvested in time, gifting us with an incomparable peace: "Taste and see that the Lord is good" (Ps 34.9)!

A Church that has these three traits – humility, selflessness, blessedness – is a Church that knows how to recognise the Lord's action in the world, in culture, in people's daily lives.



EXPERIENCE TAÍZÉ

Every last Friday of the Month –
26th January, 23rd February, 23rd 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.