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**Pastoral Worker:** Mrs Rebecca Sandwell



## ST KEVIN'S PARISH

### VISION STATEMENT

St Kevin's Templestowe 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.

**11/12<sup>th</sup> March, 2019**

**Year C**

### First Sunday of Lent

#### Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me,  
I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Be with me, Lord,  
when I am in trouble.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!  
No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from  
the mouth of God.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

#### Response to Prayers of the Faithful

Lord, hear our prayer.

#### Communion Antiphon

One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes forth  
from the mouth of God.



**General Parish Meeting** Last Tuesday night's general gathering produced a warm and spirited reflection on this year's general theme "Giving of yourself". There were lots of ideas floated from parents and grandparents (who by the nature of their calling are already self givers). Tuesday night once again showed what good "things" flow when we gather with one objective/aim in mind.

#### ***A supportive prayer in these confusing times:***

God our rock and our strength on whom we lean,  
heal your people's wounds  
and transform brokenness into wholeness.  
Grant us the courage and wisdom,  
humility and grace,  
to act with justice.  
May your Spirit breathe wisdom into our prayers and actions.  
May we support each other and be safe places for each other. Amen.  
Mary, Our Good Mother *pray for us.*  
St Marcellin *pray for us.*  
And let us always remember *to pray for one another.*  
*(Many thanks to the Marist Brothers for this prayer.)*

# 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  
9.00am at Holy Cross Monastery

**Tuesday:** 9.15am in the Chapel

**Thursday:** 11.00am @ Willowbrae aged care

**Friday:** 9.15am in the Chapel

## Christian Meditation –

Wednesdays @ 9.30am in the Parish Chapel

**Reconciliation –** First Saturday of the month @ 10.00am (or by appointment)

## DIARY DATES FOR MARCH:

**15<sup>th</sup>** Chapel Mass with St Kevin's Junior TG

**16<sup>th</sup>** Vigil Mass hosted by St Charles Borromeo Level 3/4  
TGI's Youth Group

**19<sup>th</sup>** Extraordinary PPC Meeting

**20<sup>th</sup>** Parent Information Night for Sacramental Program

**21<sup>st</sup>** Mass at St Charles Borromeo School with Level 1/2

**22<sup>nd</sup>** Chapel Mass with St Kevin's Junior G

**23<sup>rd</sup>** Vigil Mass hosted by St Kevin's Senior Level

**24<sup>th</sup>** TGI's Teens Group

### St Kevin's Parish –

#### 9:00am Sunday Mass at Holy Cross

The Roster for Lectors and Commentators at the 9:00am Sunday St Kevin's Parish Mass at the Passionists' Holy Cross Monastery, Templestowe, for the 3 months from April to June 2019 is currently being prepared. We are seeking 2 new volunteers to join the roster for a commitment of 1 Sunday per month. If you would like to join our roster and contribute as a Lector and/or Commentator, please contact Peter Norman by telephone on 0419 984 447 or via email at [normanpeter@bigpond.com](mailto:normanpeter@bigpond.com)

**Thanksgiving Envelopes** The next batch of thanksgiving envelopes and direct debit records are now available for your collection from the table in the Gathering Space. Please don't forget to collect your as you leave today and save your money!

### LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Envelopes	\$ 654.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card	\$ <u>1,040.00</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,694.00 (1)</u>
Priests' Living Costs:	\$ 925.00
Number of Envelopes:	37
(1) Weekly Pledged amount	\$3,020.65

Please contact the office if you would like to join.

***As mentioned at a lunch last Sunday:***  
"The Catholic Church has received several severe hits over the last couple of years. The only way to healing is through small communities like St Kevin's".  
What do you think?

### **Attention to all members of the Parish Pastoral Council!**

There will be a special PPC meeting on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm at the Parish House.

### ***A quote from Joan Chittister (a modern day visionary):***

Meaningless asceticism, giving things up just to give something up and calling the denial holiness, is a kind of empty pain. Asceticism is meant to give us something we need – patience, perdurance, health, for instance – not something that simply aggravates our souls – like hair shirts and thistles.

## **stkevinsparish.org.au**

### ***What's new in our website this week...***

- Our submission to the Plenary Council written by Peter Sheehan.
- Current and past Parish Newsletters.
- Future, current and past Mass Readings.

# LITURGY ROSTER

Second Sunday of Lent – 16/17<sup>th</sup> March 2019

1<sup>st</sup> Read: Genesis 15: 5-1, 17-18 2<sup>nd</sup> Read: Philippians 3: 17-4: 1 Gospel: Luke 9: 28-36

Time	Commentator	Lector	Communion	Welcomers
5.30pm	Fiona Watson	Chelsea Soklevski	Ann Maguire Bredenia Raquel Lynne O'Brien	
8.30am	Frank Ozzimo	Paul Polidano	Betty Natoli Mary Waddick Peter Waddick	
9.00am	Des Thornton	Pat Bond	Bernard Charnley Christine Flannery Dianne Flannery	Maria Robson
10.00am	Carmel Purdey	Liz O'Connell	Mary Calleja Lyn Murphy Betty Natoli	

**We pray for Better Health:** Alex Williamson, Fr Kevin Hennessy, Br John McMahon, Salvatore Scaffidi, Wilma Barrow, Susan Turner, Pauline Maloney, Marie Reichert, Kaye Ohara, Frank Connellan, Tess Uniake and Yvonne Wilson.

**Anniversaries:** William & Alice Cowsley, Joseph Boniventure, Sheldon Fernando, Roger Bannister, Pauline McKenzie and Mary Gage  
**Recently Deceased:** Tony Bendall (Tony Fitsimon's brother-in-law's brother – he attended Xavier College in the 1950's), Les Carlyon and Fr Denis Edwards

## Project Compassion –

Please donate to Project Compassion to provide access to clean water and a future full of hope for vulnerable communities in Zimbabwe. Collect your box from the table in the Gathering Space.



## Thought Provokers...

The first reading is clearer if I realise that

- Moses is explaining the rite of offering the first fruits.
- “pannier” means basket.
- “Aramaean” refers to Jacob.
- the first produce of the field was offered to God and then shared as part of a festival.

The first reading encourages me to

- give God prime time, talent or income.
- remember my heritage.
- be grateful for my freedom.
- free myself from some oppressive habits.
- help free those in bondage.

Paul's words to the Romans

- are clear and to the point.
- confuse me.
- simplify beliefs too much.
- presume too much.
- are important.

***Fr Elio Capra*** is coming for a one-off night on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm.

**What is special about the Sacraments?**

**How to appreciate the Sacraments.**

**What do Sacraments mean for us?**

His topic will be of interest to each one of us and we shall enjoy and gain from the night. All Sacramental parents will be present but don't let that put you off.

## ***ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM***

A Parent Information Night is planned for Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> 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 or email: [templestowe@cam.org.au](mailto:templestowe@cam.org.au) or [pam.cohen7@icloud.com](mailto:pam.cohen7@icloud.com) for further information.

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

We cannot force the pace of meditation or speed up the natural progress of our prayer. If we think about these things we are not meditating! We are thinking about ourselves and putting ourselves first. Meditation needs simplicity. We begin and continue saying the mantra. Sit with a straight spine. Breathe in and out, deeply, to begin. Gently move into a rhythm of breathing. Say in your heart: *Ma-ra-na-tha*.

### **Liturgical Ministry Formation For Extraordinary Ministers of Communion during Mass**

The Mass is made up of two parts: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, inextricably connected to form one single act of worship. The ministry of **Extraordinary Minister of Communion during Mass** is an essential component of this ritual action. When performed well, this service of sacred hospitality can have a profound impact on the celebration and on all those participating. Mary Ryan, Co-ordinator of Adult Faith Formation at The Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation will facilitate a formation workshop focusing on this key ministry, to explore the theological underpinnings and best practice of delivery. The workshop offers biblical, spiritual, and practical liturgical guidance for those who serve. Whether you are already participating in the existing roster or would like to be trained, you are invited to refresh and deepen your understanding of this vital ministry.

Date: Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
Time: 7–9pm (6.30pm registration)  
Venue: Ss Peter & Paul's Parish, Doncaster East  
Registration: via tel: 9842 1480  
email: [doncastereast@cam.org.au](mailto:doncastereast@cam.org.au)

**Kitchen Kitty:** We are delighted to see you all enjoying our Gathering Space. The Gathering Space Café (or colloquially KFC) loves your occasional donation in "The Kitty Box". There are of course expenses for our weekly cuppas. All contributions are gratefully appreciated.



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## **YOUTH GROUP**

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### **We're Back For 2019!**

Our first event for the year will be on  
Saturday 16th March,  
6.45pm-8.45pm.

Come along and catch up with old  
friends and make some new ones!  
(Including our new TGI Leader – Josh!)

Contact the team at  
[tgiyg17@gmail.com](mailto:tgiyg17@gmail.com)

All Grades 5-8 students welcome

## **FOR TEENS**

### **TGI'S TEENS GROUP reminder**

A reminder that our next gathering will  
be on Sunday 24th March,  
5.00pm-8.30pm.

A great way to keep in touch with  
friends, reconnect with old ones and  
make new ones!

Contact the team at  
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or call 9850 5983

to let them know you're coming  
or for more info.

All Years 9-12 students welcome