



ST KEVIN'S TEMPLESTOWE

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Request for an investment contribution to St Kevin's Parish

We are delighted to have you in our parish. We are a Catholic community which is vibrant, inclusive and caring where children and their families thrive and make lifelong friendships. St Kevin's school is an integral part of the parish; this is what makes the school a *Catholic* school.

We are asking you for a voluntary contribution of \$160 per year: an investment by you in the broader, faith and spiritual growth of your child. Spread over the 40 weeks of the school year, this averages \$4 a week. It makes a big difference to the parish, and to your child as they learn to know God's presence in their lives.

Thank you very much for your support. Payment details are provided below. If you have any questions, please contact David Hii, business manager, on 9850 5983 or at templestowe@cam.org.au

What does the parish do?

- Help the school Integrate elements of faith and of Catholic teaching into the day to day curriculum so that faith is seen to be what it is: a part of daily life.
- Students learn about faith through the sacraments (baptism (when needed and desired), reconciliation, first eucharist and confirmation). Our sacramental program is friendly, accessible and inclusive.
- Special Masses for the school children (such as Ash Wednesday, Feast Days, grandparents' day, graduation, school masses). Special celebrations for Mother's Day and Father's Day. These Masses help the children link important events to their faith and bring the faith to life.
- Resources for religious education.
- Question and Answers sessions with Fr Charles in the church or classroom – the children sometimes have a specific topic (e.g. Confirmation or Reconciliation) but more often, this is an opportunity for them to ask the questions they have about faith. And they do have a lot of questions.
- Social justice program (eg. Fire Carriers, blankets for the homeless, Christmas hampers for the needy) – helping your child link Jesus Christ and faith into positive action in the world.
- Youth Group, Play Group.

How do children and families benefit?

- Your children soak up Catholic values (dignity of every person, social justice, service for others and care for our environment): they learn that faith is an active part of living a good life.

- Catholic values bring about a school community where belonging, support, caring and connection are foundational.
- Our faith is the glue that holds us together as a community: the broader parish helps make this 'glue' real, tangible, accessible. Our faith gives meaning and purpose to our life.

We need your help

For many years, this contribution was made via the collection at Sunday Mass. Now, this is rare. The parish runs like any small business. It must be self-sufficient. It receives no funding from other organizations (not the Vatican and not the Melbourne Archdiocese). We need your support to ensure our parish remains vibrant in faith, and financially sustainable now and in the future.

Thank you, and God bless,



Rev. Fr Charles Balnaves

Parish Priest

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>2026 Parish Contribution</u>	<u>\$160.00</u>
Please pay by _____, 2026	

Payment options

Credit Card – please complete the form below and return to the parish office in person, by mail or email: templestowe@cam.org.au

Please debit my

Visacard []

Mastercard []

Credit Card Number: _____

Cardholder Name: _____

Expiry Date: _____ Signature: _____

Family Name: _____

School: _____

Bank Transfer

Electronic transfer – bank account details: **BSB: 083347 Account no: 565063471**

Account name: **St Kevin’s Parish Church**. Reference: **Your Family Name**