



THE TIDINGS

SERVING THE AREAS OF MELTON, MELTON WEST, AINTREE, BONNIE BROOK,
GRANGEFIELDS, HARKNESS, KURUNJANG, PLUMPTON, ROCKBANK & TOOLERN VALE



The Catholic
Parish of Melton
is committed
to the safety,
wellbeing and
dignity of all
children and
vulnerable
adults

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year B | 22 September 2024

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 9.00am–3.00pm

(The parish office is CLOSED on weekends and public holidays)

MASS CENTRES & MASS TIMES

St Catherine of Siena Church, Melton West

108 Bulmans Road, Melton West, VIC 3337

- Saturday 6pm (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday 9am, 11am & 5pm
- Wednesday 9.15am

St Dominic's Church, Melton

Church St, Melton, VIC 3337

- Thursday & Friday 9.15am

CONFESSIONS

St Catherine of Siena Church

Saturday: 5.45 pm | Sunday: 4.45pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT & ROSARY

St Dominic's Church

- Thursday following the 9.15am Mass

SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

ST DOMINIC'S PRIMARY SCHOOL (Prep-Year 6)

Address: Church Street, Melton, VIC 3337

Principal: Mr Jeffrey Parker

Phone: +61 3 9743 6225 | **Email:** enquiries@sdmelton.catholic.edu.au

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC

PRIMARY SCHOOL (Prep-Year 6)

Address: 108 Bulmans Road, Melton West, VIC 3337

Principal: Mr Des Noack

Phone: +61 3 9743 2166 | **Email:** info@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au

SAINT FRANCIS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

formerly Catholic Regional College Melton

Melton West (Year 7-12) | **Cobblebank** (Year 7-8)

Address: 109-141 Bulmans Rd, Melton West | Bridge Rd, Cobblebank

Principal: Ms Marlene Jorgensen

Phone: +61 3 8099 6000 | **Email:** info@sfcc.vic.edu.au

Have You Thought?

Last of all?

JESUS tells his disciples that if anyone wants to be first, they must make themselves last of all and servant of all. This is as challenging to us today as it was to the disciples and early

Christians.

Our world seems to revolve around position, status and power – whoever has the most toys wins! But what Jesus advocated was a leadership based on being of service to others.

Being powerful simply means you are in a position to help even more people.

Putting yourself last, instead of first, gives respect, dignity and power to others rather than to yourself.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, Alleluia. My only glory is the cross of our Lord
Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the
world. Alleluia!*

Today's Readings: Is 50:5-9; Ps 114 (115); Jm 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Next Sunday's Readings: Wis 2:12,17-20; Ps 53 (54); Jm 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37

Prayer Requests

Death Anniversaries: Carmen Petrelli, Maria Spiteri, Aureen Patterson, Janet Edmonston, Rose Mifsud, Olimpia Rosina Tulipano, Fred Gant, Kevin Gant, Antonia Zingale, Rita Dalli, Sam Cilia, Sr Leena Mascarenhas, John McPhee, Emanuel Caruana, Sr. Paschal, Murphy, Les Scott, Evan Hoare, Rose McGuinness, Dan Lane, Les Scott, Kath McGuane, Carmen Camilleri, Victoria Ballerina, Geraldine Kelm, Elisa DoVidio, Christian Galea, Milagros dela Cruz, Marianna Diliberto, Donald Sutherland, Leocadia Abrenica, Nadia Wroblewski, Leslie Butler, R. S Irving, Rose Sarmiento, Ann Mc Keown, Chris Said, Mary Roe Camenzuli, Emanuele Zarb, Margaret Peters, Emanuele Calleja, Peter Calleja, Toni Calleja, Patricia Dean, Angelina Perez, Sheila Jongbloed, Percy Motha, George Said

Recently deceased: Stephen Pace



Parish Offertory Giving August Update

Pledged: \$7,392.62

Actual: \$5,348.92

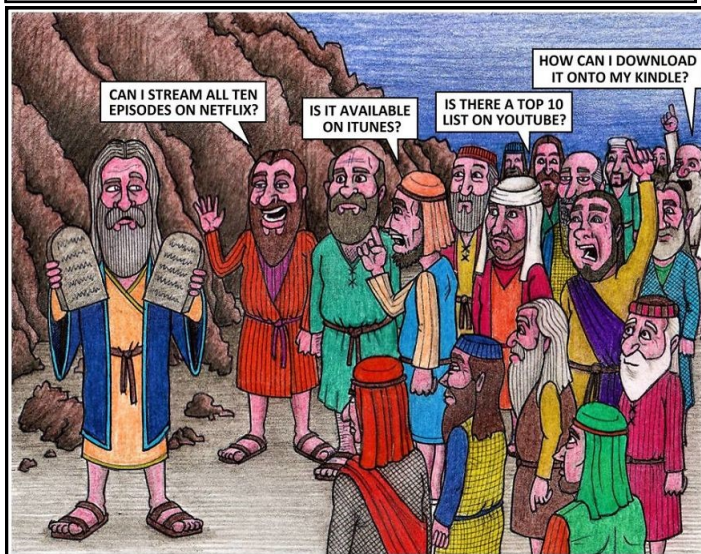
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Reflection

Last week's gospel, in which Jesus asked his disciples, 'Who do you say I am?' marked a turning point in the gospel of Mark. Having established in the minds of the disciples that he is indeed the Messiah, Jesus now begins to explore with them what that really means and also what it means to be a follower – a disciple – of the Messiah who must be put to death. Having finally come to some level of understanding that Jesus is the Messiah, the disciples have latched on to a very limited understanding of Jesus' Messiahship. They have assumed that being Messiah meant that Jesus was going to lead a triumphant victory over all the woes of the Jews – it was a common understanding and expectation of what the Messiah would do. With this in mind, the disciples begin to argue amongst themselves about who will hold positions of respect and power in the aftermath of Jesus' great triumph. Despite what Jesus had just said about being put to death and rising again, the disciples simply couldn't grasp what he was saying and fell back onto a familiar picture of the Messiah.

To really shake up the disciples and try to make them pay attention to what he was saying to them, Jesus put his arms around a small child and told the disciples they had to welcome little children in his name. Like so many gospel images there is more going on here than meets the eye. Children were regarded as complete nobodies in the culture of the time. They had no status and absolutely no authority. Jesus is saying to the disciples, don't argue about who will be the greatest; this child – this nobody – is greater than anyone who lords it over others. If you treat a nobody like this with respect, you treat me with respect.

NEW VOLUNTEER INFORMATION AND APPLICATION PACK NOW AVAILABLE IN THE GATHERING AREA AND PARISH WEBSITE.



I think My Child Is Being Bullied Online

Signs to watch for

- Being upset after using the internet or their devices, such as mobile phones
- Changes in personality, such as becoming more withdrawn, anxious, sad or angry
- Appearing lonelier or more distressed
- Unexpected changes in friendship groups
- A slide in their school results
- Changes in their sleep patterns
- Avoiding school or clubs
- A decline in their physical health
- Becoming secretive about their online activities and device use.



Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.

Mark 9:37



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
16	17	18 9.15am End of Term Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church (joined by St Catherine's Primary - whole school) 7.30pm Baptism Info Night @ St Catherine of Siena Church	19 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	20 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	21 ST MATTHEW Baptisms 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass	22 25th Sunday Ordinary Time 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses Migrant Refugee Sunday
23 PADRE PIO	24	25 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church	26 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	27 ST VINCENT DE PAUL 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	28 Baptisms 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass	29 26th Sunday Ordinary Time 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses Migrant & Refugee Mass 3pm St Pat's Cathedral
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						

PERMANENT DIACONATE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

Online Diaconate information meeting on **Tuesday, 24 September from 7.30 – 9.00pm** via ZOOM. Attendance will be by invitation with the ZOOM link sent in the week before the session. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison at KEVIN.PATTISON@CAM.ORG.AU

You must speak to Jesus also with the heart, besides the lips: indeed, in certain cases you must speak to him only with the heart.

— PADRE PIO —

PLEASE RING THE MASS MANAGERS IF UNABLE TO ATTEND:

6 pm	Tania Walters	0492 952 478
9 am	Theo Franken	0411 040 897
11am	Bruna Tomassi	9743 0341
5 pm	Josephine Krajina	0407 042 133

Live Your Best Life in Love A Marriage Encounter weekend is for you

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from daily distractions.

The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are welcome. The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep the passion alive. No group sharing required.

Our next weekend is: 4 - 6 October 2024 at St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South. Starting Friday 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm.

We are also offering a weekend in Trafalgar, Gippsland on November 16 -17th, 2024.

Information/Bookings: **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwwme.org.au

2025 Columban Art Calendars now available at the Piety Stall

We also have Daily & Sunday missals available along with other gifts perfect to commemorate Sacraments of Initiation and for devotional use.



25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			Saturday & Sunday September 21&22, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Bill McGuinness	Maureen Mohr	Liz Coustley	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Manoj D'Silva	Jennifer Peters	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Responder	Tania Walters	Theo Franken	Cira Cleary	Janet Estrada
Presentation of Gifts	Tetchie Hadfield	Karl Metha	Chelsea Amato	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Kate Mulholland	Richard Kealy	Liz Coustley	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
PowerPoint Operator	Need Help	Help Needed	Choir	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir	Divine Mercy	Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Karl Metha, Anne Stokie, Maureen Mohr			

26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			Saturday & Sunday September 28&29, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Kate Mulholland	Karl Metha	Chelsea Amato	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Tania Walters	Alzira Mascarenhas	Cira Cleary	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Responder	Tetchie Hadfield	Jennifer Peters	Liz Coustley	Frank Unferdorben
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Bill McGuinness	Theo Franken	Lea Jacuta	Ismael Sosa -Sanchez
PowerPoint Operator	Kate Mulholland	Help Needed	Chelsea Amato	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Tania Walters	Maureen Mohr	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
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Update: Bulmans Rd Closure

Bulmans Rd will be closed between Piccolotto Drive and Westlake Drive until **Friday 13 December**.

Water main renewal works are complete and new drainage, pavement, kerb and crossing works are now in progress.

Access to St Catherine of Siena Primary, St Francis College and the Church will be maintained during this period.



Men Alive Men's Weekend

Saturday 5th and 6th October
CRC Caroline Springs Cafeteria
 28 College St, Caroline Springs VIC

Investment: \$45

Register: TRYBOOKING.COM/1263695 or scan QR code



Saturday 8am to 9pm: Workshops, morning and afternoon tea, lunch and BBQ dinner.

Sunday 8.30am to 1.30pm: Morning tea & lunch and concluding with 12.30pm Mass.



NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome!

Please collect a Welcome Pack from the Gathering Area of the church. Once census form is completed place it in the white return box in the Gathering Area.

MISSED OUT ON THE TIDINGS?

Back issues of The Tidings are available on our parish website:
www.melbcatholic.org/melton

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Would you like to receive

The Tidings before the weekend?



Head to our website to subscribe to The Tidings or simply scan the QR code to enter your email to receive a digital copy. You will then receive a verification link via email to confirm your subscription.

Migrant and Refugee Mass: 'Mass for all nations'

Sunday 29th September • Cathedral Hall, ACU

2pm Rosary Procession around the Cathedral

3pm Migrant and Refugee Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Peter Comensoli and migrant chaplains.

All are most welcome!

VINNIES SOUP VANS STREET SERVICE MELTON



Soup Vans will continue its Street Service around Melton as follows:

Tuesday

6.00-6.30pm Melton Town Centre Amphitheatre
 Palmerston St, Melton

7.00-7.30pm Melton Station Square Shopping Centre
 11-25 Station St, Melton South

Thursday (new stop)

6.00-7.00pm Melton Town Centre Amphitheatre
 Palmerston St, Melton

- Fruit and vegetables
- Non-perishable pantry items
- Toiletries
- Soup, sandwiches, hot food



SOUP VAN VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

Scan the QR code to sign up to help with preparing and packing food, assisting with loading the Soup Vans, distributing food on a 'Soup Van Run' and assisting in cleaning up the kitchen and vehicle as a team.

Parish Offertory Giving

If you would like to make either a one-off donation or to set up recurring donations to the parish, please scan the QR code or head to our website:

TINYURL.COM/GIVEMELTON

You may also like to use the Smart Terminal at the welcome desk to contribute to the Parish.



SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

In the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, the safety and wellbeing of all persons is of highest priority.

HOME VISITATION & BLESSING REQUESTS

For Home Visitation & Blessing requests, please speak to Deacon Chris safter Mass or fill out the online request form:

TINYURL.COM/HBLESSING

PARISH BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Announcements & Notices: Please submit your announcement or notices no later than 5pm every Wednesday. Bulletin notices are normally retained in *The Tidings* for two weekends. Notices and announcements submitted after the deadline will be considered for publication on the following weekend.



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