



# THE TIDINGS

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

We are committed to upholding the safety and wellbeing of each child and young person, and endeavour to provide a caring and supportive environment in our Church.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Yr C (CORPUS CHRISTI) | June 22, 2025

## CLERGY

**Parish Priest:** FR ALEX CLEMENTE, RCJ

**Assistant Priest:** FR WILFORD URMZA, RCJ

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## OFFICE

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**Office Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 9.15am - 4.45pm

We are **closed** on Mondays, weekends and public holidays.

## STAFF & SAFEGUARDING COORDINATOR

**Parish Secretary:** WILMA CHUA (Tues - Fri)

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## 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 & 5 pm
- **Wednesday Mass** 9.15 am (no Mass during school holidays)

**St Dominic's Church, Melton**

Church St, Melton, VIC 3337

- **Thursday & Friday** 9.15 am (no Mass on public holidays)

## CONFESSION

St Catherine of Siena Church

Saturday: 5.45 pm | Sunday: 4.45 pm

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

### SACRAMENT & ROSARY

St Dominic's Church

- **Thursday** following the 9.15 am Mass

## SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

### ST DOMINIC'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Address:** Church Street, Melton, VIC 3337

+61 3 9743 6225 | enquiries@sdmelton.catholic.edu.au

### ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Address:** 108 Bulmans Road, Melton West, VIC 3337

+61 3 9743 2166 | info@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au

### ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

**Melton West Campus** (Year 7-12): 109-141 Bulmans Rd, Melton West

**Cobblebank Campus** (Year 7-8): Bridge Rd, Cobblebank

+61 3 8099 6000 | info@sfc.vic.edu.au

## Miracle of Multiplication

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present.

The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet. Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present.

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You are a priest for ever,

in the line of Melchizedek.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

### Today's Readings:

Gen 14:18-20 , 1 Cor 11:23-26 , Luke 9:11-17

### Next Week's Readings:

Acts 12:1-11 , 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18 , Mat 16:13-19

### Remembering Death Anniversaries:

Shauna Stewart, Paul Kennedy, Sam Folkard, Salvina Pace, Bertnam Sundaran, Michele Tulipano, Mary Ann Williams, Betty Rowe, Emanuel Micallef, Joan Quinsee, Fairy Bellman, Margaret Donovan, Edna Folkard, Tony Farrugia, Keneth Browne, Cos Donovan, Joan Hester, Nancy Rowley, Jan Chojnowski, Ceferina Porcalla, Kenneth Muni Deo, Janina Lewandowski, Jan Lenandowski, Mary Kelly, Reg White, Jean Young, Maureen Kealy, Gaetana Montalti, Kay Dempsey, Queenie Rayner, Grace Dodemaide, John Spiteri, Kenneth Deo, Grazio Psaila, Raymond Mercieca, Walter Foster, Kenneth Callanan, Charles Crawford, Anthony Abad

### Healing for the Sick:

Ian Grafton Johnson



## Parish Offertory Giving

May Update

Pledged: \$5,012.96 Actual: \$4,379.27

Thank You

In case of urgent situations, sickness etc.  
in the parish please call 0422 869 646

## Reflection by Sr. Mary Fermio, RSJ

We gather for many reasons, to celebrate a special occasion, to meet friends, to listen to a speaker. On most of these occasions we share a meal and eating together deepens our relationship with the others.

The people who followed Jesus were so interested in what Jesus was saying, they lost track of time and the need for food. When late afternoon came, the practical apostles, wondered how these people would eat, as it was a lonely place- no supermarket or cafes here! They had some fish and bread, but knew it was nowhere near enough for the crowd. They presented their problem to Jesus, who gave instructions for sitting down, took the fish and bread, blessed them and handed them to his disciples. Imagine their wonder as the food never ran out – there was enough for all! There were even leftovers, which were probably used the next day or handed out for the people to take with them.

In celebrating this feast, we give thanks for the presence of Jesus in the bread and wine and that being nourished by the life of Jesus, we become the living body of Christ.



## First Reading Gen 14:18-20

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:

Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.'

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 109:1-4

**(R.) You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.**

1. The Lord's revelation to my Master:  
'Sit on my right:  
I will put your foes beneath your feet.' (R.)
2. The Lord will send from Zion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)
3. A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains; from the womb before the  
daybreak I begot you. (R.)
4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.  
You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.' (R.)

## Second Reading 1 Cor 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

## Gospel Luke 9:11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

## JUBILEE OF GOVERNMENTS

The Jubilee of Governments is an opportunity to recognise the role that governments can play in fostering a peaceful, harmonious society.



## PRAYER

God of this land and of every people, who shape all things according to your own design and write your law in every human heart: we thank you for this country we call home, from the First Nations people to others born here and those who have come here from across the world.

We pray for the citizens of our land in these troubled times, that we may be committed to justice, to the dignity of each human life, and to solidarity with all Australians and with the world.

Guide all our elected representatives who serve the nation; may the Holy Spirit inspire them to pursue a better politics, that governs for the good of all and never neglects those who are considered to be the least or who have the least.

May all of us see and hear you in the most vulnerable, that responding to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor, we may respond to you.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## St. Hannibal Mary Di Francia



Apostle of Prayer  
for Vocations,  
Founder of the  
Rogationists of the  
Heart of Jesus &  
Daughters of the  
Divine Zeal, Father  
of the Orphans  
and the Poor

**Send, O Lord  
Holy Apostles into Your  
Church**

The grace of vocation comes down from  
above, and it does not come down if no one  
asks."

+St. Hannibal Ma. Di Francia

### PRIME TIMERS LUNCH

Caroline Springs Club 24th June  
RSVP by Friday 20th. Call Ineke at  
0400120401 / ineke49@yahoo.com.  
New members welcome.

**The next set of  
PARISH OFFERTORY  
GIVING ENVELOPES  
are now available in the  
Gathering Area of  
St Catherine of  
Siena church.**



Working with  
Children Check

Is it time to renew your Working With  
Children Check card?

#### PLEASE NOTE:

When applying for a Working With  
Children Check or renewal as a  
volunteer, please state that the  
organisation is:

**Catholic Parish of Melton  
10 Unitt St, Melton VIC 3337**

**NOT** St Catherine of Siena Parish,  
Bulmans Rd., as this is not the name  
of our Parish.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Please help the homeless and  
those struggling with cost of living  
pressures. This winter, Vinnies volunteer  
members Across Australia are seeing  
unprecedented demand for homeless  
service & support. Any amount will go a  
long way. Thank you.

Donate at website

[https://donate.vinnies.org.au/  
appeals-vic/winter-appeal-vic](https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/winter-appeal-vic)

## 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

**Tuesday** 7.00-7.30pm Melton Station Square  
Shopping Centre 11-25 Station St, Melton Sth

**Thursday (new stop)** 6.00-7.00pm

**Melton Town Centre Amphitheatre**  
Palmerston St, Melton

- Non-perishable pantry items, Toiletries
- Soup, Sandwiches, hot food

## ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS FOR ST MARIANNE COPE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL MOUNT ATKINSON

Enrolment interest for St Marianne Cope Catholic Primary School is  
now open for students from **Grades Prep to 6**.

Enrolment enquiries for the **3- and 4-year-old kindergartens** will  
be open soon.

*Please note that the enrolment criteria for the Primary School differ from  
those of the Children's Hub, and each enrolment process is separate and  
independent.*

Enrolment Enquiries | St Marianne Cope Primary School  
website: [www.smcmountatkinson.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smcmountatkinson.catholic.edu.au)

## ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS FOR ST PADRE PIO CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL THORNHILL PARK

Enrolment interest for St Padre Pio Catholic  
Primary School, Thornhill Park, is now open  
for students from **Grades Prep to 6** for 2026.

Enrolment Enquiries:

St Padre Pio Catholic

Primary School website:

[www.sppthornhillpark.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sppthornhillpark.catholic.edu.au)



**PLEASE RING THE MASS MANAGER IF UNABLE TO  
ATTEND AND PERFORM YOUR ROSTERED DUTY**



6 pm Tania Walters 0492 952 478  
9 am Theo Franken 0411 040 897

11am Lea Jacuta 0414 390 151  
5 pm Josephine Krajina 0407 042 133

| Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ |                            |                  | Saturday & Sunday June 21 & 22, 2025 |                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| MINISTERS OF:                    | 6 PM                       | 9 AM             | 11 AM                                | 5 PM                 |
| Welcome                          | Bill McGuinness            | Maureen Mohr     | Liza Fernandes                       | Josephine Krajina    |
| The Word                         | Tania Walters              | Sanghaya Creo    | Chelsea Amato                        | Frank Unferdorben    |
| Responder                        | Tetchie Hadfield           | Theo Franken     | Lea Jacuta                           | Josephine Krajina    |
| Presentation of Gifts            | Robert Obtinalla           | Karl Metha       | Chelsea Amato                        | Elaine de los Santos |
| Holy Communion                   | Tania Walters              | Asther Creo      | Lea Jacuta                           | Lesley Sosa-Ritchie  |
| PowerPoint Operator              | Kate Mulholland            | Faith Tuputala   | Liz Coustley                         | Need Help            |
| Gift Shop                        | Margaret Richards          | Maureen Mohr     | Lea Jacuta                           | Frank Unferdorben    |
| Choir                            | Divine Mercy               | Veneration Choir | Veritas Choir                        | Filipino Choir       |
| Counters                         | Maria Abela, Tania Walters |                  |                                      |                      |

| Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles |                          |                 | Saturday & Sunday June 28 & 29, 2025 |                     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| MINISTERS OF:                 | 6 PM                     | 9 AM            | 11 AM                                | 5 PM                |
| Welcome                       | Kate Mulholland          | Karl Metha      | Lea Jacuta                           | Frank Unferdorben   |
| The Word                      | Tetchie Hadfield         | Vickie Cassar   | Lea Jacuta                           | Janet Estrada       |
| Responder                     | Tania Walters            | Jennifer Peters | Liz Coustley                         | Frank Unferdorben   |
| Presentation of Gifts         | Lenny Obtinalla          | Faith Tuputala  | Chelsea Amato                        | Josephine Krajina   |
| Holy Communion                | Kate Mulholland          | Theo Franken    | Liz Coustley                         | Ismael Sosa-Sanchez |
| PowerPoint Operator           | James Taniman            | Sanyata Creo    | Choir                                | Need Help           |
| Gift Shop                     | Tania Walters            | Anne Stokie     | Lea Jacuta                           | Janet Estrada       |
| Choir                         | Divine Mercy             | Samoan Choir    | St Anuarite Choir                    | Filipino Choir      |
| Counters                      | Leslie Gordon, John Woof |                 |                                      |                     |



First Aid & Defibrillator is located in the Lay-Sacristy.



## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the  
seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

*Franciscus*

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AT A WEEKEND MASS?

Pick up a 'Volunteer Information Pack' in the Gathering Area of the church for detailed information on each ministry and an application form.

### Would you like to receive The Tidings before the weekend?

Head to our website and 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.



### SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

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



#### 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](https://tinyurl.com/GiveMelton)

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

### Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 6pm Sunday 9am, 11am & 5pm

#### JUNE

|                 |                                                                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Saturday, 21st  | Baptisms: 11 am & 12.15 pm                                                         |
| Wednesday, 25th | Mass: St Catherine's Church<br>9:15am Whole School Mass: Feast of the Sacred Heart |
| Thursday, 26th  | Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am                                                  |
| Friday, 27th    | Mass: St Dominic's Hall 9:15 am<br>Whole School Mass: Feast of the Sacred Heart    |
| Saturday, 28th  | Baptisms: 11 am                                                                    |

#### JULY

|                |                                                                   |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wednesday, 2nd | Mass: St Catherine's Church<br>9:15am Year 5 students to attend   |
| Thursday, 3rd  | Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am                                 |
| Friday, 4th    | Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am<br><b>School holidays begin</b> |
| Wednesday 9th  | <b>No morning Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church</b>            |
| Thursday, 10th | Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am                                 |
| Friday, 11th   | Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am                                 |

### THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025

An invitation is extended to join our partnered parishes of Melton and Melton South, after hours Sacrament Program called:

#### *St Luke's Sacramental Program*

**for young people who do not attend a Catholic Primary School, or attend a Catholic Secondary School and are baptised, but have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation.**

The program begins on Thursday July 24, 2025 at 7pm sharp in St Dominic's Parish Hall - entry via the gate on Smith St, Melton.

The application form is available online on our Parish website: [www.melbocatholic.org/melton](http://www.melbocatholic.org/melton) or in hard copy from the Gathering Area of St Catherine of Siena church.

**Please complete the application form as soon as possible and:**

- Email it to the parish office at: [melton@cam.org.au](mailto:melton@cam.org.au),
- Drop it off personally at the office between 9am and 3pm, or
- Place it into the return box in the Gathering Area of the church.



### HOME VISITATION & BLESSING REQUESTS

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

**[TINYURL.COM/HBLESSING](https://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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