



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

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year B | 18 August 2024

CLERGY

Parish Priest: REV. FR MICHAEL MOODY

Parish Deacon: REV. DCN CHRIS CREO

Email: Cristopher.Creo@cam.org.au

STAFF & SAFEGUARDING COORDINATOR

Parish Secretary: VIVIEN LEMALU

Finance Manager: LORRAINE STAFFORD (Mon & Tues)

Email: Finance.Melton@cam.org.au

Safeguarding Coordinator: LIZ COUSTLEY

Mobile: 0490 885 515 | Email: csolmelton@gmail.com

POSTAL ADDRESS

PO Box 96, MELTON, VIC 3337, Australia

PRESBYTERY & OFFICE

10 Unitt Street, MELTON, VIC 3337

Contact: 03 9743 6515 | Email: melton@cam.org.au

Website: <http://www.melbatholic.org/melton>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/parishmelton>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/catholicparishmelton>

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

Scriptural context

Living Bread

THE Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist is a central doctrine of the Catholic faith. It is regarded as a revealed truth proved by both scripture and tradition.

This week's gospel, indeed the entire 'Bread of Life' discourse (Jn 6:26-72), is an essential passage of scripture that supports the teaching of Christ present in the Eucharist. Along with scripture, the other proof of the doctrine is tradition.

Since the first century, only a brief time after the death of Jesus, Christians linked their celebration of Eucharist with the words of Jesus at the last supper – they celebrated Eucharist as a memorial of Jesus.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my
blood remains in me and I in him.

John 6:56



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

*All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me
and I in them, says the Lord.*

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Prov 9:1-6; Ps 33 (34); Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Jsh 24:1-2. 15-18; Ps 33 (34); Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

Prayers requested

Recently died: Maria Strinavic and William Harrington.

Parish Offertory Giving July Update

Pledged: \$7,316.46

Actual: \$5,687.58



*Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity
of all children and vulnerable adults.*

PART 2

SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILDREN ONLINE

We continue this week with the next three questions which can be used to discuss young people's online activities.

It's important to **ask these questions in the order that they are posed** in this resource material which can be found on the eSafety website.

Hope these help parents and caregivers to begin conversations into this ever present and influencing part of our young people's lives (and ours!)

Liz Coustley
Safeguarding Coordinator



Working with
Children Check

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
20 Unitt St, Melton VIC 3337

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



4

Do you know all your social media friends and followers in-person?

Related questions

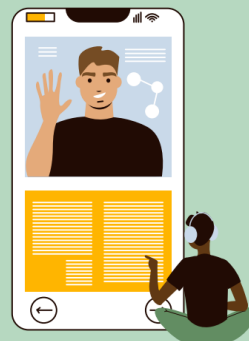
Are they friends from school? Or did you meet them online? If you've only met them online, how do you know they are who they say they are? What do you talk about?

Why this question matters?

Having regular conversations with your child about who they are talking to can help make it easier to notice if they are in trouble or something isn't right. It's also important to talk about the risks that come with talking to people who you've only met online. For example, someone can pretend to be someone else online, to trick or harm your child.

Take action together

Talk regularly about who is in your child's contact list and how they interact with them. Investigate together how to 'block' someone who might be unsafe or acting in an inappropriate way.



5

What are some things you could do if someone you don't know in-person sent you a direct message?

Related questions

Have you ever received a direct message from someone you don't know in-person? What did they want? How did you know if they were a safe person to talk to?

Why this question matters?

It's common to receive direct messages from people online, and not all messages are harmful.

But, sometimes young people can be pressured or tricked into sending photos or videos with no clothes on. The image is then used to blackmail them for money or more photos or videos.

They can:

- Take a minute to think 'What do they really want?'
- Avoid replying, even if the offer seems tempting
- Block and report the account
- Tell a parent/carer or a trusted adult

Take action together

Talk about some of the things your child can do if someone tries to contact them through an online game, messaging or social media app.



6

What would you do if someone online asks you to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable?

Related questions

What would you do if they asked for a photo or video of you without clothes or cultural attire on? What about if they asked you to go to a private chat, video call or another platform?

Why this question matters?

People online can ask children and young people to do things that they might not be ready for, that are unsafe or make them feel uncomfortable. Thinking about how to respond to these situations is an important skill that can help in lots of online situations.

Talk to your child about how they could say 'no' if they are feeling uncomfortable or unsafe. Tell them it's okay to say no, and to keep saying no, even if they feel like they are being pressured.

Take action together

Talk about some online scenarios and strategies to respond. Examples of the scenarios may include:

- A friend is asking you to participate in a dangerous challenge
- Someone is saying inappropriate things in a group chat
- Someone is asking you to send photos with no clothes on



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
19	20	21 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church	22 OUR LADY, MOTHER AND QUEEN 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church St Luke's: Sacrament of Confirmation Classes	23 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church (joined by St Dominic's Primary - Gr 6)	24 Sacrament of Confirmation for St Catherine's Primary School: 11am & 2pm 6pm Vigil Mass	25 21st Sunday Ordinary Time 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses
26	27 ST MONICA	28 ST AUGUSTINE 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church	29 THE BEHEADING OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church St Luke's: Sacrament of Confirmation Classes	30 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church (joined by St Dominic's Primary - Gr 6)	31 Sacrament of Confirmation for St Dominic's Primary School: 11am and St Luke's Program: 2pm 6pm Vigil Mass	1 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses SEP

Natural Fertility Awareness Week

Natural Fertility Awareness Week 2024 (August 19 – 25) promotes an alternative, healthy option to family planning compared with chemical and other contraceptive devices.

The theme this year is: *"Trust your body's natural signs of fertility: Forget about drugs and devices."*

You are invited to join the Billings LIFE free webinar on Monday 19th August 2024 at 7:30pm AEST where you can listen to the conversation about the basics of the Billings Ovulation Method® and its application, including during times of breastfeeding.



Registration: Scan the QR code or go to events.humanitix.com/trust-your-body-s-natural-signals-of-fertility-free-webinar

Further info: 1800 335 860 or www.billings.life/en/

You can also check out melbournecatholic.org/live/marriage-and-family/fertility for other Natural Family Planning options.

Prime Timers July Outing

Games Day!

**Tuesday August 27th at the Leisure Centre,
Lifestyle Village Melton from 11.30am**
(111-139 Coburns Rd, Brookfield)

BYO lunch, tea/coffee provided.

Hope to see you all for a fun day.

Contact: Ineke 0400120401 or ineke49@yahoo.com



St Vincent de Paul Society

The Melton Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society meets at the Parish Meeting Room (next to St Dominic's Presbytery) every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Visitors are welcome! Enquiries: Neil 0403 165 414.

Check out the gifts
available in the Piety Stall
in the Gathering Area.



There are Daily and Sunday missals available along with other gifts that are perfect for those making the Sacraments of Initiation and for everyday devotional use.

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

20 th Sunday of Ordinary Time			Saturday & Sunday August 17&18, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Margaret Richards	Maureen Mohr	Liz Coustley	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Tania Walters	Alzira Mascarenhas	Lea Jacuta	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Responder	Tetchie Hadfield	Vickie Cassar	Cira Cleary	Josephine Krajina
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Bruna Tomassi	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Leny Obtinalla	Vickie Cassar	Liz Coustley	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
PowerPoint Operator	Kate Mulholland	Help Needed	Chelsea Amato	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Choir	Divine Mercy	Samoan Choir	Veritas Choir	Tongan Choir
Counters	Maria Abela, Tania Walters			

21 st Sunday of Ordinary Time			Saturday & Sunday August 24&25, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Bill McGuinness	Karl Metha	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Tetchie Hadfield	Theo Franken	Cira Cleary	Ismael Sosa -Sanchez
Responder	Tania Walters	Jennifer Peters	Lea Jacuta	Janet Estrada
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Chelsea Amato	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Bill McGuinness	Maureen Mohr	Bruna Tomassi	Josephine Krajina
PowerPoint Operator	Kate Mulholland	Help Needed	Choir	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Kate Mulholland	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir	Divine Mercy	Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Karl Metha, Anne Stokie, Maureen Mohr			



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

Archbishop's Campaign Weekend

The 2024 Archbishop's Campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the Campaign brochure which you will find in your pew and in the foyer today. Gifts of \$2 or more are tax-deductible.

Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the *Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, University of Divinity Building Fund, as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants.*

Non-tax-deductible donations go to the *Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation and evangelisation ministries.*

Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift to help us continue to strengthen the Christian faith and address the needs of God's people. Tear-off pledge cards are attached to the campaign envelopes in the church.

You can also make a gift online via the QR codes on the campaign materials, on the banner on our website, or at MELBOURNECATHOLIC.ORG/ARCHBISHOPSCAMPAIGN. I invite you to give generously to this important campaign.

Bethlehem Olive Wood Stall next weekend

On the 24th & 25th of August there will be handcrafted olivewood biblical items for sale. These items are hand crafted in Bethlehem the Holy Land by the Catholic families there.

Any purchase will help support the catholic community in the Holy Land and improve their livelihood and also support maintaining the Holy sites there.



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



CLICK to VIEW
PREVIOUS BULLETINS



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.

St Vincent de Paul Society's Vinnies Winter Appeal

Please help the homeless and those struggling with cost of living pressures.

Donation envelopes are available in the Gathering Area of the Church or you can scan the QR code.



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.



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