



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.

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - July 13 2025

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

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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)
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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@sfcc.vic.edu.au

Reflection by Fr. Alex Clemente, RCJ

The Good Samaritan is one of the most famous parable Jesus ever told. It is a story of mercy and genuine care to everyone that Jesus gave witness to throughout his life and works. It is not only a story but a call to action. Christians then, are called to: First, be sensitive and acknowledge the needs and struggles of people around us. We need to become more attentive to the sufferings of others and respond with genuine empathy. Secondly, reach out with kindness and compassion. We need to give concrete support to those in need, regardless of their backgrounds or circumstances. Thirdly, go beyond barriers to love and service. We must challenge our own biases and prejudices that hinders opportunities to be of service to all of humanity. Lastly, embrace a life of Christian charity. Allow our faith to be expressed in our actions, making a positive impact on the world that is tainted by indifference, violence, and hate.

The Good Samaritan is an ongoing story about each of us, disciples of Jesus. Let us continue to share everywhere and all the time this amazing story by our life testimony.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Today's Readings:

Deu 30:10-14, Col 1:15-20, Luke 10:25-37

Next Week's Readings:

Gen 18:1-10, Col 1:24-28, Luke 10:38-42

Eternal Repose for Recently Deceased

Rufino Jr. Eslao, Ralph Francis Eslao, Dallas Ingram, Georgia Micallef

Remembering Death Anniversaries:

Catherine Masterson, Mabel Mc Shane, Joe Fenech, William Mullins, Rita Psaila, Matilda Kozina, Lawrence DeBrincat, Frank Gabor, Mary Doris Rizzo, Godwin Grero, Valentin Sepe, Trieu Lunasin, Vincente Perez, Zygmunt Nowak, Dawn Freeman, Jean Bugden, Ellen Fitzgerald, Gracie Bonnici, Ellen Fitzgerald, Mario Pieris, Danica Turčić, Ludwick Madej, Michael Muscat, Les Freney, Margaret Whitehand, Rosalia Castro, Margaret Dagge, Gerard Coupe, George Magri, Vincenzina, Brian Hawkins, David Sweeney, Alan Raymond Stowe, Bernie Breney, Dennis Drape, Adela Taguines, Jennifer Simbulan, Sandra Jane Alipud, Bol Agear, Luxhman Thilakeratne, Carmen Bartolo, Stella Rimmer, Agostino Inglesi, Elsie Perera, Paul Spiteri, John Spiteri, Hilda Callanan, Steve Woodhouse, Christopher Montalti, Cassandra Judd, Mary Garvey, Daisy Riseley, Natalio Oropesa

Healing for the Sick:

Alexis Eslao

PARISH OFFERTORY GIVING

June Update

Pledged: \$6,629.16 Actual: \$5,293.05

Thank You

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

First Reading *Deu 30:10-14*

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul. 'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.*

1. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. **(R.)**
2. As for me in my poverty and pain
let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. **(R.)**
- 3 The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy; and
does not spurn his servants in their chains. **(R.)**
4. For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah .
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there. **(R.)**

Second Reading *Col 1: 15-20*

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

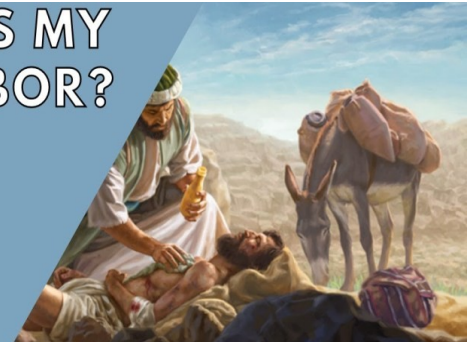
Gospel *Luke 10:25-37*

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

Luke 10:25-37



St Anthony of Padua Melton South

WANT TO WIN A CAR?

Christmas Raffle 2025 for \$25.00

- 1st Prize: MG ZS value \$28,799
 2nd Prize: Travel Voucher value \$3,000
 3rd Prize: Apple Mac Book value \$1699
 4th Prize: Apple iPhone 16 value \$1399
 5th Prize: Apple Watch value \$649

Tickets on sales 13 June to 21 December 2025
 See Poster for details



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 337
NOT St Catherine of Siena Parish, Bulmans Rd., as this is **not** the name of our Parish.

GOOD HABITS START YOUNG

Parents and carers play an important role in helping children to develop digital intelligence — the social, emotional and practical skills needed to successfully navigate the digital world. Even for preschool children, it is never too early to instil good habits, and as your child gets older it is useful to keep reminding them of these basic digital intelligence principles: [respect](#), [empathy](#), [critical thinking](#), [responsible behaviour](#) and [resilience](#). These are also principles you can emphasise with your child when things go wrong. For further information: www.esafety.gov.au

ST. ANTHONY'S YOUTH GROUP PRESENTS:

TRIVIA NIGHT

SAT 2ND AUGUST

7pm to 10pm

Adults: \$15 Under 18: \$10

SCAN THE QR CODE & JOIN IN ON THE FUN!



Help us fundraise for our youth to attend ACYF 2025!

St. Anthony of Padua Hall,
 67-75 Exford Rd, Melton South VIC 3338

Knights of the Southern Cross

Membership Information Night
 Tuesday
 15th July 2025
 7:30 PM
 At
 St Dominic's Meeting Room

Do you require a copy of your transaction payments to our parish?

As long as your email address is in our parish data system, you are now able to download your payment statement by validating the email with a one-time code.

Payments are then matched to the contacts with the same email in our data system.
 Just use our QR code or go to www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj5xAAD



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AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

2025 ACYF.ORG.AU

Year 9 - 25 years plus leaders

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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

15 th Sunday Ordinary Time		Saturday & Sunday July 12 & 13, 2025		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Bill McGuinness	Asther Creo	Chelsea Amato	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Maria Prasetyono	Jennifer Peters	Liza Fernandes	Josephine Krajina
Responder	Tania Walters	Theo Franken	Cira Cleary	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Chelsea Amato	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Tania Walters	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Ismael Sosa-Sanchez
PowerPoint Operator	Kate Mulholland	Faith Tuputala	Choir	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Kate Mulholland	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Janet Estrada
Choir	Divine Mercy	Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Karl Metha, Anne Stokie, Maureen Mohr			
16 th Sunday Ordinary Time		Saturday & Sunday July 19 & 20, 2025		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Margaret Richards	Graham Dempsey	Liz Coustley	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Tania Walters	Sanghaya Creo	Cira Cleary	Ismael Sosa-Sanchez
Responder	Tetchie Hadfield	Faith Tuputala	Liz Coustley	Janet Estrada
Presentation of Gifts	Tetchie Hadfield	Karl Metha	Lea Jacuta	Elainne de los Santos
Holy Communion	Robert Obtinalla	Vickie Cassar	Lea Jacuta	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
PowerPoint Operator	James Taniman	Sanyata Creo	Daniella Ahmet	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Tania Walters	Maureen Mohr	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Choir	Divine Mercy	Samoan Choir	Veritas Choir	Tongan Choir
Counters	Maria Abela, Tania Walters			



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.

MISSED OUT ON THE TIDINGS?

Back issues of The Tidings are available on
our parish website:

[www.melbcatholic.org/
melton](http://www.melbcatholic.org/melton)

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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 a **one-off donation**, set up
recurring donations to the parish, or **request a
payment report**, 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.

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

JULY

Wednesday, 16th	No morning Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church
Thursday, 17th	Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am
Friday, 18th	Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am
Monday, 21st	A new school term begins
Wednesday, 23rd	Mass: St Catherine's Church 9:15am Year 3 and 4 students to attend Baptism Information Night 7.30 pm at St Catherine of Siena Church
Thursday, 24th	Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am St Luke's Confirmation Program begins 7 pm St Dominic's Hall
Friday, 25th	Grandparents' Mass: St Dominic's Hall 9:15 am Whole School to attend
Saturday, 26th	Baptisms 11 am & 12.15pm
Wednesday, 30th	Mass St Catherine of Siena Church 9.15 am Whole school attendance celebrating Grandparents' Day.
Thursday, 31st	Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am

AUGUST

Friday, 1st	Mass: St Dominic's Church 9:15 am Yr 6 students to attend
Saturday, 2nd, & Sunday, 3rd, 11am Mass	Confirmation Commitment Mass for candidates in St Luke's Sacramental Program

Baptism Information Night

The next Baptism Information Night, for those booked in for
baptisms at our Parish, will be held at **7.30pm on Wednesday,
July 23 at St Catherine of Siena Church, West Melton.**

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.melbcatholic.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,
- Drop it off personally at the office between 9am and 4pm, 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 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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