



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

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — Year B | 16 June 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 — please note there will be no Daily Masses until after June 28th.

St Dominic's Church, Melton

Church St, Melton, VIC 3337

- **Thursday & Friday** 9.15am — please note there will be no Daily Masses until after June 28th.

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)

Principal: Mr Jeffrey Parker

Address: Church Street, Melton, VIC 3337

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

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC

PRIMARY SCHOOL (Prep-Year 6)

Principal: Mr Des Noack

Address: 108 Bulmans Road, Melton West, VIC 3337

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

SAINT FRANCIS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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

formerly Catholic Regional College Melton

Principal: Ms Marlene Jorgensen

Address: 109-141 Bulmans Rd, Melton West, VIC 3337

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

Gospel Focus

The Kingdom of God

THE references to the kingdom of God in the gospels always carry a paradox. It exists in the present yet is something to be



This is what the
kingdom of God is like.

Mark 4:26

achieved in the future. It is here, but not yet. If we live 'as if' we are living in the kingdom here and now, then we hasten its coming.

The kingdom of God is not a place but a way in which the world operates. It is a kingdom that is ruled by justice and gives precedence to those who are regarded as

nothing in the world.

It is a kingdom of promise and hope that inspires and calls all people to more than they currently are.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

*The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.*

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Ez 17:22-24; Ps 91(92); 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Job 38:1,8-11; Ps 106 (107); 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

NOTICE TO PARISHIONERS

Please note that there will be
no weekday Daily Masses in June.



Parish Stewardship May Update

Pledged: \$5,734.31

Actual: \$4,852.83

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

Teach your child how to keep themselves safe

As your child gets older, they become increasingly independent and may spend time away from you or with a babysitter/ carer. As part of the journey of growing up, it's important to speak to your child about being safe. Let them know:

Tip 1

It's OK to say NO if they think what they're being asked to do is or feels wrong.

Tip 2

If they feel they're in danger, it's OK to yell, scream, kick or run to a safe place that you and your child have both agreed on – such as a neighbour or friend.

Tip 3

Make sure that you tell your child that you would never send a stranger to pick them up.

Tip 4

They can tell a lie, even to an adult, if they need to get away from someone who makes them feel unsafe.

Tip 5

To use a 'code' word you both have agreed on, to let you know they're not feeling safe; as an example, using your first name when talking to you on the phone.

Tip 6

Their body is their own – once a child no longer needs nappies to be changed or help with toileting, a carer or any other person should not touch their private areas.

Tip 7

To tell you or another adult if they have any problems or if someone is making them feel unsafe.

Tip 8

A babysitter or any other adult should not ask a child to keep a secret.

Tip 9

Not to give out personal information online, including their school, suburb, sporting team or nicknames and to never meet someone they have met online in person.



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
17	18	19 7.30pm Baptism Information Night @ St Catherine of Siena Church	20	21	22 Baptisms: 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass	23 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses
24 THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	25	26	27	28	29 STS PETER & PAUL Baptisms: 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass	30 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses

Honouring the Sacred Heart this month

June is traditionally devoted to celebrating the Sacred Heart after Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque and revealed ways to venerate his Sacred Heart.

One way you might like to honour the Sacred Heart is by making the **9 First Fridays Devotion**—attend mass, receive Holy Communion and go to Confession on the First Friday of the month for 9 months to receive these 12 promises:

1. I will give them all of the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their homes.
3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
4. I will be their strength during life & above all during death.
5. I will bestow a large blessing upon all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and the infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall grow fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
9. I will bless every place where a picture of my heart shall be set up and honoured.
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. I promise you in the excessive mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful love will grant all to those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

First Communions 2024

Students from St Dominic's Primary School, St Catherine's Primary School and our Parish's St Luke's Sacramental Program have made their First Holy Communion on Saturday June 8 and 15.

This is always a very special time in the life of any Christian. Let us pray for all the children who, for the first time, have received the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers that they continue to receive the fullness of Christ in the Eucharist!



May they love Him with all their hearts and forever live faithfully.

May they always know the peace of Jesus, the light of His love, and the joy of His life within them.

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

11 th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Saturday & Sunday June 15 & 16, 2024		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Bill McGuinness	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Manoj D'Silva	Regina Traczynski	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Responder	Daniel Walters	Alzira Mascarenhas	Liz Coustley	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Presentation of Gifts	Tetchie Hadfield	Mario Cassar	Bruna Tomassi	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Leny Obtinalla	Vickie Cassar	Bruna Tomassi	Michael Higgins
PowerPoint Operator	Choir	Sanyata Creo	Choir	
Gift Shop	Tania Walters	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir	Divine Mercy	Samoan Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Tongan Choir
Counters	Leslie Gordon, John Woof			
12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Saturday & Sunday June 22 & 23, 2024		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Margaret Richards	Asther Creo	Chelsea Amato	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Daniel Walters	Jennifer Peters	Janet Estradra	Michael Higgins
Responder	Tania Walters	Cira Cleary	Chelsea Amato	Josephine Krajina
Presentation of Gifts	Leny Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Bruna Tomassi	Frank Unferdorben
Holy Communion	Bill McGuinness	Maureen Mohr	Liz Coustley	Josephine Krajina
PowerPoint Operator		Sanyata Creo	Lea Jacuta	
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Anne Stokie		Josephine Krajina
Choir		Veneration Choir	Veritas Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Tania Walters, Maria Abela			



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THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES AND STATEMENTS & DIRECT DEBIT STATEMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE GATHERING AREA OF THE CHURCH

Kindly pick up your envelope today.

Big thank you for participating in the Parish Offertory Campaign

Thank you for your involvement in the Parish Offertory Giving program. We hope this process allowed you to prayerfully discern your offering towards our community. It has been so encouraging to see such a large number of pledge cards being returned to our parish office. Thank you to everyone who has handed in their cards. We are currently reaching out to parishioners and following up the new pledges.

If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to carefully consider your offering and return your pledge cards to the parish office or into any of mass collections. There are also pledge cards available at the welcome desk if you have not received a letter & pledge pack from Fr Michael in the mail.



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

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

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



**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.

Prime Timers June Outing

12pm on Tuesday 25th June at Braybrook Hotel (353 Ballarat Rd, Braybrook)

Seniors Buffet Lunch for \$26. Meet at the old Bunnings car park at 11.15am. Lifts can be arranged.

Contact: Ineke 0400120401 or ineke49@yahoo.com

BAPTISM INFORMATION EVENING



The next Baptism Information Night for those booked in for baptisms will be held on

**Wednesday June 19th at 7.30pm at
St Catherine of Siena Church**

God & Beer: Back in the Lion's Den - Religious Freedom in Australia

**Monday 17th June • 6.30pm dinner, 7.30pm talk
Notting Hill Hotel (Steakhouse Room)
260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill, VIC**

The night's speaker, **Daniel Simon**, works at the Human Rights Law Alliance which was created to support and defend people of all faiths from these attacks. Come and find out more about the threats to religious freedom and what we can do to stand up and fight back.

Register: GODANDBEER.COM.AU

Parish Thanksgiving

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:

<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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