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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 A | 24 September 2023

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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

- Wednesday 9.30am
- Saturday 6pm (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday 9am, 11am & 5pm

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)

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: Ms Carmel Marantelli

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@sfcc.vic.edu.au

Have you thought?

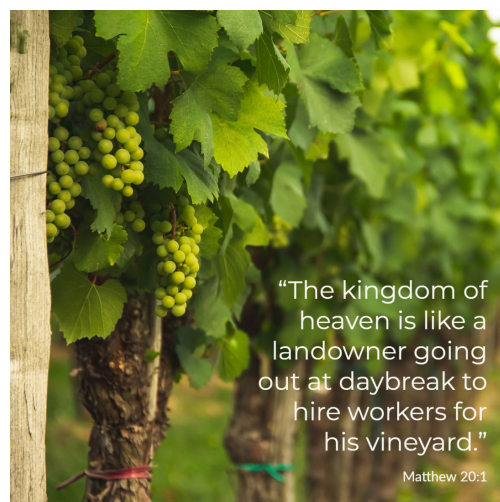
Equality or Equity?

HOW would you feel if you had done a full day's work and were paid the same as someone who had only worked for one hour?

Is the landowner in the parable being unjust? He pays the workers exactly what he promised them – but he promised everyone the same amount, regardless of when they started work.

The workers who started at 6.00 am complain.

How do you think the workers who started later in the day felt? The landowner claims the right to be generous – is generosity unfair? There is a difference between treating people equally and equitably. What has the landowner done here?



"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard."

Matthew 20:1

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is near to all who call him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.*

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Is 55:6-9; Ps 144; Phil 1:20-24,27; Mt 20:1-16

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 24; Phil 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32



Notice to Parishioners
There will be NO Celebration
of the Mass on Thursday morning,
28 September.



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



WHY WE DO THINGS IN THE MASS

Did You Know?

Look This Way!

I RECENTLY received this impassioned email:

"Where are we when the focus of attention at Sunday Mass becomes the projector screen rather than the altar and ambo, when every ritual moment is distracted from by texts flashed up demanding to be read/ sung/ recited? Why is it necessary to project the words of the Lord's Prayer, Lamb of God and even the Amen?"

"I can understand that displaying the prayer texts may help participation at school Masses, or on occasions such as funerals when many attend who are not regular church-goers. But surely we can keep our liturgy as a human rather than a multimedia experience? As for those background scenes of running water and sunsets and snow-capped mountains - give me a hand-quilted banner any day!"

While data projection can indeed facilitate fuller participation, it is not without its problems as the above makes clear. The use of such technology can be counterproductive when it distracts from the purpose and focus of worship or intrudes on the liturgical space.

When the assembly focuses its attention on a screen during worship, the dynamic of the ritual is altered: liturgical responses and exchanges are directed to a screen or wall rather than to the presider or fellow worshippers. There is also the danger of turning participants into spectators waiting to be entertained by what appears next on the 'big screen'.

Many churches are not architecturally designed for the use of visual media technology and considerable effort may be required to accommodate it. Power point slides require time and skill to prepare. Data equipment can clutter a sacred space and be complicated to use.



Technology used judiciously can be an aid to good liturgy, but it must never become the focus for the assembly's attention or take the place of real actions and symbols.



Called to Serve?

Be part of our parish's
Guild of St Stephen






ORIENTATION & TRAINING WORKSHOP

WHEN: SATURDAY, 30 SEPT.
10AM -12PM

WHERE: ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

TO SERVE IN THE MASS YOU NEED TO:

- ◆ Have received First Holy Communion.
- ◆ Have been trained before as a Server, or
- ◆ Willing to attend training to be a Server.



After being admitted into the Guild in the Mass of St Stephen at St Patrick's Cathedral, 26 May.

Relying too much on projected words during worship can make a ritual celebration seem more like a catechetical session. The words and reading become the focus instead of engagement with the sights, sounds, silences and feel of the liturgy.

We need to be more aware of involving all of the senses in liturgy because it has become too wordy and intellectual.

People with sight problems or who are not able to read written English may feel left out when the rest of the assembly is constantly reading printed words on a screen.

Liturgy needs to be 'real'.

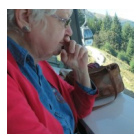
Projecting images of wheat and grapes on a screen during Mass is no substitute for using bread that can be broken and shared and offering the chalice to all the faithful.

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Some argue that using visual media technology is worth the effort because it appeals to young people and attracts them to worship, but research indicates that projection technologies do not contribute significantly to attracting youth or keeping them involved in worship.

In fact, young people tend to be the biggest critics of attempts by adults to make worship relevant, partly because the production values lag far behind those of popular movies and video games.

The article was originally published in LITURGY LINES (24 August 2016). Elizabeth Harrington is one of Australia's best known liturgists. Elizabeth has written over 1000 Liturgy Lines. These pithy 500 word articles on everything liturgy have appeared in publications all over the world. Elizabeth was previously engaged as Liturgy Brisbane's Education Officer, but now enjoys retirement (which means she is still very, very busy!)



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2024 Study Tour

Tour Leader: Dr Rosemary Canavan

Online Information Sessions:

Saturday 16, 23 September, or 7 October 2023 at 2pm
Participants have the opportunity to undertake a study unit with CTC in conjunction with the tour for credit towards an award

RSVP & further information:

rosemary.canavan@ctc.edu.au



NEXT STEPS

1. Register your interest and obtain a booking form from Rosemary Canavan, Olive Tree Travel or by [CLICKING HERE](#)
2. To secure your place, a deposit of AUD\$500 per person is due by 29th September 2023 (unless sold out prior)
3. The final balance will be payable in mid July 2024



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PLEASE RING THE MASS MANAGERS IF UNABLE TO ATTEND:

6 pm	Tania Walters	0492 952 478
9 am	Theo Franken	0411 040 897 Vickie Cassar 0418 348 946
11 am	Bruna Tomassi	9743 0341
5 pm	Josephine Krajina	0407 042 133

Waiting at the Well

(in-person event)

Four Thursdays:

October 5, 12, 19 & 26

10am-12.30pm

Carole Carmody rsm, Julie Adam

THIS series offers an opportunity for those waiting to have their thirst quenched at the Well of Life to explore the depths of wisdom in their own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another, and to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation.

Places limited.

Bookings via [https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/](https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/waiting-at-the-well-series/)

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or email info@heartoflife.melbourne.

Cost \$100 for the series or \$30 per session.

ROSARY BEADS



On August 8 we celebrated the feast day of Mary of the Cross MacKillop. We have purchased a limited supply of Rosary Beads for \$32 each. They are Italian made Ghirelli rosaries. They will be available in the Piety Stall after each Mass.

2024 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

Now Available

The Columban Calendars are a great gift idea for family and friends and the right size to fit on your fridge.

We have purchased these calendars early this year so they can be posted to our loved ones overseas. These will be available after each Mass in the Piety Stall. The cost is \$10 each.



25th Sunday Ordinary Time

Saturday & Sunday September 23 & 24, 2023

MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Bill McGuinness	Maureen Mohr	Chelsea Amato	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Tetchie Hadfield	Regina Traczynski	Cira Cleary	Michael Higgins
Responder	Tania Walters	Theo Franken	Liz Coustley	Josephine Krajina
Presentation of Gifts	Leny Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Bruna Tomassi	Brian Dean
Holy Communion	Sally Grero	Richard Kealy	Lea Jacuta	Ismael Sosa-Sanchez
PowerPoint Operator	Robert Obtinalla	Sanyata Creo	Theo Baleebanga	Daniella Ahmet
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Choir		Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Karl Metha, Anne Stokie, Maureen Mohr			

26th Sunday Ordinary Time

Saturday & Sunday 30 Sept & 1 Oct 2023

MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Margaret Richards	Karl Metha	Liz Coustley	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Manoj D'Silva	Alzira Mascarenhas	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Responder	Tetchie Hadfield	Anne Stokie	Cira Cleary	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Theo Franken	Bruna Tomassi	Corrie Family
Holy Communion	Bill McGuinness	Richard Kealy	Bruna Tomassi	Brian Dean
PowerPoint Operator	Tania Walters	Sanyata Creo	Liz Coustley	Daniella Ahmet
Gift Shop	Veronica Milburn	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir		Veneration Choir	Veritas Choir	Tongan Family Choir
Counters	Elizabeth Marshall, Jennifer Peters			



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MEMORIAL MASS

Please join us in

February 11, 1975 – August 26, 2023



Commemorating the Life of Margaret Cassar

at a Mass on **Monday Evening,**
25 September 25, 2023, 7:00 pm
at St Catherine of Siena Church, West Melton
An invitation is extended to all who wish to come and
acknowledge Margaret's life.

INTERMENT OF THE ASHES OF TONY MIFSUD

The ashes of Tony Mifsud will be interred on Sunday,
October 15 at 10.30 am at the Melton Cemetery,
Centenary Ave, Melton.

You are most welcome to join Jan for this ceremony.

MISSED OUT ON THE TIDINGS?

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



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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.



Mailing
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Would you like to receive
The Tidings
prior to the weekend Masses?

Send an email to melton@cam.org.au
requesting The Tidings or subscribe on our
website.

God and Beer in the West
6.30pm, Tuesday 3rd October

Becoming Missionary
Disciples

Archbishop Julian Porteous

@ The Hoppers Club



GodandBeer.com.au



Supported by:



Time: 6.30pm dinner available for purchase,
7.30pm for the talk

Venue: Hoppers Crossing Club

180-200 Pannam Drive, Hoppers Crossing Vic.

Booking is essential, as numbers are limited to 120.

RSVP: GodandBeer.com.au

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

UPDATE OF PARISH ANNIVERSARY BOOK AT ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH



Our Anniversary Book (in the Chapel of
Petitions) will be updated shortly. Please add
any further names of those you wish to be remembered.

Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals Morocco / Libya

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the
devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya.
Thousands of people have died and others have been
injured. Communities
need shelter, food,
water and medical
assistance.

Please support
Caritas Australia's
emergency appeals.
Donate at
www.caritas.org.au



EMERGENCY APPEALS

Morocco Earthquake and Libya Floods
www.caritas.org.au

Fathers' Day Appeal:

Priests Renumeration Fund Collected: \$889.75

Thank you



Parish Stewardship Update

August Pledge: \$7,265.39
Actual: \$5,017.89

HOME VISITATION & BLESSING REQUESTS

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

<https://tinyurl.com/HBlessing>.

PARISH BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Announcements & Notices: Please submit your announcement or notices not 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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