



THE TIDINGS

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The Catholic
Parish of Melton
is committed
to the safety,
wellbeing and
dignity of all
children and
vulnerable
adults

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – Year B | 5 May 2024

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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

- 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)

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

Have you thought?

Love

THERE is a wonderful line from the musical, Les Miserables, when the hero, Valjean, is told, *'To love another person is to see the face of God.'*

As Christian people, we believe that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. To look upon another person with love and compassion is to see the face of God revealed.

When we are called to love, we are called to recognise that every single person is worthy of love and every single person is made in the image of God – even ourselves!

No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

*All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.*
Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; Ps 97 (98); 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 46 (47); Eph 4:1-7,11-13; Mk 16:15-20



ANNUAL MAY MASS COUNT BEGINS

The annual mass count begins this weekend
throughout the month of May. This is
important for our pastoral planning activities.



Parish Stewardship Update

March Pledged: \$5,709.43

Actual: \$5,372.43

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



WHY WE DO THINGS IN THE MASS

Minimum Vestments for Mass

QUESTION: *What vestments should be worn by the ordained ministers at Mass?*

ANSWER: The minimum vestments for the priests celebrating Sunday Mass are "the chasuble, worn over the alb and stole" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 337, and the Ceremonial of Bishops, no. 66). While the proper vestment for the Deacon is the Dalmatic, worn over the alb and stole (GIRM, no. 338). The priest may also wear an amice under his alb and a cincture to gather the alb and perhaps to secure the stole.

These are the obligatory vestments envisaged in Canon 929, which refers back to the rubrics" of the General Instruction.

There are a few limited exceptions. Concelebrants are not obliged to wear the chasuble, but at a concelebrated Mass the principal celebrant must always wear it. When concelebration is a regular part of liturgical life, such as in religious communities, seminaries and houses where a number of priests reside, surely chasubles should be available for all who concelebrate, at least a matching set in white but preferably in all the liturgical colours.



The principal celebrant's chasuble may have a distinctive design or some extra ornamentation to indicate his presidential role. In some countries an indult (permission) was given for the celebrant to wear a combined chasuble-alb, but only when celebrating Mass outside a sacred place. Concelebrants may also wear this garment.

The Catholic Church has specific teachings on why ordained ministers wear sacred vestments during the liturgy:

1. To give greater solemnity and command more attention and respect at divine worship. The use of special vestments helps to distinguish the sacred nature of the liturgical celebration and the important role of the ordained minister.
2. To instruct the people in the things that these vestments and ceremonies signify. The different vestments worn by the



YEAR 7 2026 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Enrolment applications for Year 7 2026 at St Francis Catholic College are now open.

You can apply online at www.sfcc.vic.edu.au/join-us/enrolment

Applications close on Friday 16 August 2024.



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CATHOLIC COLLEGE



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priest, such as the amice, alb, cincture, stole, and chasuble, have symbolic meanings that represent the priest's sacred duties and the spiritual realities of the liturgy.

3. To remind the priest himself of the importance and sacred character of the work in which he is the representative of Our Lord Himself. The vestments help the priest to be mindful of the gravity and significance of his role as an alter Christus (another Christ) during the liturgical celebration.

The sacred vestments are a sign of the priesthood and the priestly vocation, character, and ministry. They signify the priest's role as a mediator between God and the people, called to proclaim God's word and celebrate the sacraments, especially the Eucharist.

In summary, the use of sacred vestments by ordained ministers during the liturgy serves to enhance the solemnity of worship, instruct the

faithful, and remind the ministers of the sacred nature of their duties as representatives of Christ.



Reference: *Liturgical Question Box* by Peter J. Elliott; *A Catechism of Christian Doctrine* (The Baltimore Catechism No. 3), 942, 950.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
6	7	8 9.15am Mother's Day Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church (joined by St Catherine's Primary - whole school)	9 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church St Luke's: Sacrament of Eucharist Classes	10 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church (joined by St Dominic's Primary Grade 1 classes)	11 6pm Vigil Mass Presentation Masses for Candidates (St Luke's & St Dominic's Primary School)	12 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses Sacrament of Eucharist (Dominic's Primary School)
13 OUR LADY OF FATIMA	14	15 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church (joined by St Catherine's Primary Grade 4 classes) 7.30pm Baptism Information Night @ St Catherine of Siena Church	16 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church St Luke's: Sacrament of Eucharist Classes	17 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church (joined by St Dominic's Primary Grade 4 classes) Followed by Penance for students receiving First Eucharist	18 Baptisms: 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass Presentation Masses for Candidates (St Catherine's Primary School)	19 PENTECOST SUNDAY 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses Sacrament of Eucharist (St Catherine's Primary School)
20 MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH	21	22 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church (joined by St Catherine's Primary Grade 4 classes) Followed by Penance for students receiving First Eucharist	23 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church St Luke's: Sacrament of Eucharist Classes	24 OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church (joined by St Dominic's Primary Grade 4 classes) Followed by Penance for students receiving First Eucharist	25 Baptisms: 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass	26 TRINITY SUNDAY 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses
27	28	29 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church (joined by St Catherine's Primary Grade 4 classes) Followed by Penance for students receiving First Eucharist	30 9am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church (joined by St Francis College for MacKillop House Mass) St Luke's: Sacrament of Eucharist Classes	31 VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	1 6pm Vigil Mass JUNE	2 THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses

Pope's May Prayer Intention: For the formation of men and women religious

The Holy Father notes that "a good priest, sister, or nun, must above all else be a man, a woman who is formed, shaped by the Lord's grace". These are people who are aware of their own limitations and who are willing to "lead a life of prayer, of dedicated witness to the Gospel".

It is important to note that formation does not end at a specific moment, such as ordination, but rather continues throughout life, integrating the person intellectually, humanly, affectively, and spiritually.

2024: Celebrate the Year of Prayer

On 24 December 2024, the Holy Door of St Peter's Basilica in Rome will open, commencing the Jubilee Year. To prepare for this, Pope Francis invites us into a Year of Prayer in 2024, reflecting on the Jubilee's theme, 'Pilgrims of Hope.'

The Melbourne Archdiocese have developed a practical How-To guide to help parishes celebrate the Year of Prayer over the coming months: [TINYURL.COM/YrOfPrayer](https://tinyurl.com/YrOfPrayer)

You may also like to take part in *Fiat - A Weekend of Prayer* (31 May - 2 June 2024) where parishes, movements and communities across Melbourne will host a time of prayer.

The next Liturgy Roster for May, June and July has been emailed to all liturgical ministers last week.
A hard copy is on the notice board in the Gathering Area and hard copies are available in the Lay Sacristy.
Updates & changes to the emailed roster will appear in the weekly Tidings

PLEASE RING THE MASS MANAGERS IF UNABLE TO ATTEND:

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

6 th Sunday of Easter			Saturday & Sunday May 4 & 5, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Bill McGuinness	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Tania Walters	Alzira Mascarenhas	Cira Cleary	Ismael Sosa -Sanchez
Responder	Daniel Walters	Cira Cleary	Janet Estradra	Josephine Krajina
Presentation of Gifts	Tetchie Hadfield	Karl Metha	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Holy Communion	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Bruna Tomassi	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
PowerPoint Operator	Choir	Sanyata Creo	Choir	
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir	Divine Mercy	Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	
Counters	Karl Metha, Anne Stokie, Maureen Mohr			
The Ascension of the Lord		Saturday & Sunday May 11 & 12, 2024		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Margaret Richards	Asther Creo	Chelsea Amato	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Tetchie Hadfield	Cira Cleary	Janet Estradra	Frank Unferdorben
Responder	Tania Walters	Alzira Mascarenhas	Liz Coustley	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Janet Estradra	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Leny Obtinalla	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Ismael Sosa -Sanchez
PowerPoint Operator		Sanyata Creo	Chelsea Amato	
Gift Shop	Tania Walters	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Choir		Veneration Choir	Veritas Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Elizabeth Marshall, Jennifer Peters			



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BAPTISM INFORMATION EVENING

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

**Wednesday May 15th at 7.30pm
at St Catherine of Siena Church**

This was from our last weekend's baptisms where Fr Michael baptised Jaya Pranata Tjoe at 73 years old, alongside his 4 year old twin grandsons, Grayson and Ethan.

Fr Michael also baptised Grayson and Ethan's great-grandma last year at 86 years old!



Memorial Wall Plaques

Our Memorial Wall next to St Dominic's Church has spots available to commemorate former parishioners and loved ones whose remains are buried or interred elsewhere with a memorial plaque. For more details or to arrange or reserve a spot for a plaque, please contact the Parish Office. Forms are also available in the Gathering Space to fill out and return to the Parish Office.



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?**

Email melton@cam.org.au requesting to join the mailing list for The Tidings or scan the QR code to subscribe on our website.

This weekend:

CatholicCare Appeal



This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August).

CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Your generous donation will help the most vulnerable members of our community – those facing unemployment and homelessness, those experiencing mental health challenges, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, newly arrived refugees, and those experiencing grief and trauma.



Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your compassion and generosity will help the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community.

You can donate using the appeal envelope available at the welcome desk, via the QR code above, online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or by calling (03) 9287 5513.

All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible.

God & Beer: The Biekie Priest w. Fr Geoff McIlroy

Monday 13th May • 6.30pm dinner, 7.30pm talk
Notting Hill Hotel (Steakhouse Room)
260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill, VIC
Register: GODANDBEER.COM.AU

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.

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 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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