



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

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Year B | 4 August 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

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@sfc.vic.edu.au

Scriptural context

Bread that endures

JESUS says, 'Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life.'

The reference to food that cannot last relates to today's first reading about manna.

In the full account of Exodus 16 you will see that the manna that fell on the first five days had become rotten by the next day and could not be eaten.

However, the manna that fell on the sixth day was 'food that endures' so that it could be eaten the next day – the Sabbath day, when the work of gathering the manna was not allowed.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

*I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.*

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 77 (78); Eph 4:17,20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1 Kings 19:4-8; Ps 33 (34); Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

New Liturgy Roster

The new Liturgy Roster was emailed out last week. A copy is on the wall in the Gathering Area of the church. Hard copies are available in the Lay Sacristy.

Thank you to all on the roster for your continued support, generosity and effort.



Parish Offertory Giving June Update

Pledged: \$6,548

Actual: \$4,562.69

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

ST DOMINIC'S PARISH MELTON CHURCH ACCOUNT

Financial Year: July 2023 - June 2024

TRADING INCOME	
Collections (not Presbytery)	2,989.75
Income for Capital Purposes	35,000.00
Donations	29,264.25
Interest Income (Bank)	2,188.43
Interest Income (Investment A/c)	4,067.13
Other income	5,556.95
Rental Income	3,900.00
Sales of Resources	5,995.41
Thanksgiving Income	260,328.75
Gross Income :	349,290.67
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Accounting Charges	1,234.21
Advertising	365.00
Archdiocesan Levies	11,486.00
Bank Charges	747.11
Books, Publications & Resources	7,235.33
Church Requisites	2,838.15
Cleaning & Gardening	7,379.09
Consultants	250.00
Electricity, Gas, Water	7,271.19
General Expenses	6,909.76
Insurance	10,315.74
Interest - Loan Accounts	130,174.74
Leasing & Hiring Expenses	2,792.19
Liturgical Expenses	685.00
Motor Vehicle Expenses	6,693.73
Municipal Charges	991.95
Office Expenses	21,281.17
Office Furniture & Equipment (Minor)	1,868.44
Repairs & Maintenance	51,230.79
Security	500.10
Staff Wages & On Costs	89,201.72
Subscriptions	3,355.54
Telecommunications Costs	809.29
Total Operating Expenses:	365,616.24
Net Loss	- \$16,325.57

ST DOMINIC'S PARISH MELTON PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

Financial Year: July 2023 - June 2024

Trading Income	
Baptism	8,560.00
Collections for other organisations	20,748.05
Donations	450.65
Funerals	3,200.00
Interest Income - Bank	367.06
Other Income	276.00
Presbytery collection	32,095.54
Weddings	300.00
Total Trading Income	65,997.30
Operating Expenses	
Accounting Charges	51.68
Archdiocesan Levies	3,424.80
Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne	1,331.54
CDF Car Pool	1,699.98
General Expenses	10,771.57
Living Expenses	7,450.23
Miscellaneous	1,882.57
Motor Vehicle Expenses	6,519.76
Priests Retirement Fund	23,781.67
Staff Salaries	3,846.20
Stipends	4,738.28
Telecommunications Costs	534.30
Total Operating Expenses	66,032.58
Net Loss	- \$35.28

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH LOAN A/C

Original Loan: \$3.5 million

Repayment July '23 - June '24:

Principal: \$135,473.30

Interest: \$130,174.74

Interest: variable @ 6.4%

Balance Owing as at June 30, 2024:

\$2,042,923.39

Remaining Term: 127 months



This week's gospel reading continues the exploration of John Ch 6 that began last week and will continue for another few weeks. Today's passage begins the extended discourse on the 'Bread of Life' image that runs throughout this chapter. Last week's reading finished with Jesus virtually fleeing the scene when the crowd wanted to make him king. At the start of today's reading, the crowd has caught up with him again and appears to be looking for a repeat performance of the miraculous feeding. Jesus accuses them of simply wanting more food and not being alert to the truth of the sign they had witnessed. The crowd asks what they must do to accomplish the works of God and Jesus answers fairly bluntly, Believe in me!

In response, the people demand a sign from Jesus: produce manna from heaven as Moses did during the Exodus. In fact, manna from heaven is one of the signs of the coming of the Messiah that is foretold by the prophets. So, in their own way, the people are asking Jesus to demonstrate to them that he is the Messiah. Jesus, however, explains that it was not Moses who produced the manna, but God. In Jesus, God has already produced the sign – the Bread sent down from heaven. There is no need for Jesus to produce such a sign; the sign has already been produced by God. It is up to the people – and us – to recognise God's gift of life-sustaining nourishment that is Jesus.

In the Eucharist, we continue to celebrate Jesus as the Bread of Life – the sustaining gift of God that 'gives life to the world'.

**In what ways
does the
Eucharist
provide us with
nourishment or
food for our
lives?**

**How are you
or can you
be 'bread' for
others?**

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
5	6 TRANSFIGURATION	7 9.15am Feast of St Mary MacKillop Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church <i>(joined by St Catherine's Primary - whole school)</i>	8 ST MARY OF THE CROSS (MACKILLOP) 9.15am St Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass at St Dominic's Parish/School Hall <i>(joined by St Dominic's)</i> St Luke's: Sacrament of Confirmation Classes	9 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	10 6pm Vigil Mass	11 18th Sunday Ordinary Time 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses
12	13	14 ST MAXIMILIAN KOLBE 9.15am Mass at St Catherine of Siena Church 7.30pm Baptism Info Night @ St Catherine of Siena Church	15 THE ASSUMPTION Please see below for Assumption Feast Day Mass Timetable St Luke's: Sacrament of Confirmation Classes	16 9.15am Mass at St Dominic's Church	17 Baptisms: 11am & 12.15pm 6pm Vigil Mass Archbishop's Campaign Appeal Weekend	18 20th Sunday Ordinary Time 9am, 11am & 5pm Sunday Masses
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 <i>(joined by St Dominic's Primary - Gr 6)</i>	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 <i>(joined by St Dominic's Primary - Gr 6)</i>	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

Mass Timetable for the Solemnity of the Assumption

10am St Catherine of Siena Church
joined by St Catherine's Primary

12pm St Dominic's Hall
joined by St Dominic's Primary

7pm St Catherine of Siena Church

You are invited to one of the Masses to celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady, which is a **holy day of obligation** for Australia. On these days (including Sundays), the faithful are obliged to attend Mass and to "refrain from work or activities that hinder the worship owed to God" (CCC2185).

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

Glorious Lives: St Mary MacKillop film

Shalom Media Australia's upcoming program, "Glorious Lives," features the inspiring life stories of Catholic saints and will be premiering of the life story of Australia's beloved saint, St. Mary MacKillop, on August 8th at 7pm on **Shalom World TV** (shalomworld.org), aligning with the saint's feast day.

The film not only showcases St. Mary MacKillop's remarkable achievements and contributions but also features interviews with historians, educators, and individuals inspired by her legacy. Viewers will experience the challenges she overcame and the steadfast faith that drove her mission.

Let us take this opportunity to celebrate and reflect upon the beauty and inspiration of our Catholic saints, particularly St. Mary MacKillop, the patron saint of Australia.

Watch the film trailer here: youtu.be/emSo6jr-aBI



18 th Sunday of Ordinary Time			Saturday & Sunday August 3&4, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Kate Mulholland	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Tetchie Hadfield	Lawrence Camenzuli	Cira Cleary	Josephine Krajina
Responder	Tania Walters	Theo Franken	Liz Coustley	Frank Unferdorben
Presentation of Gifts	Robert Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Bruna Tomassi	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Sally Grero	Maureen Mohr	Lea Jacuta	Ismael Sosa -Sanchez
PowerPoint Operator	Kate Mulholland	Help Needed	Chelsea Amato	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Maureen Mohr	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Choir	Divine Mercy	Veneration Choir	Veritas Choir	Tongan Choir
Counters	Elizabeth Marshall, Jennifer Peters			

19 th Sunday of Ordinary Time			Saturday & Sunday August 10&11, 2024	
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Tania Walters	Theo Franken	Chelsea Amato	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Manoj D'Silva	Jennifer Peters	Lea Jacuta	Janet Estrada
Responder	Tania Walters	Karl Metha	Liz Coustley	Frank Unferdorben
Presentation of Gifts	Leny Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Bruna Tomassi	Josephine Krajina
Holy Communion	Kate Mulholland	Richard Kealy	Bruna Tomassi	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
PowerPoint Operator	Help Needed	Help Needed	Choir	Nina Ahmet
Gift Shop	Tania Walters	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir	Divine Mercy	Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Leslie Gordon, John Woof			



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National Vocations Awareness Week: 4-8 August

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

Marriage Preparation & Enrichment

Dating or engaged couples who are discerning and/or preparing for marriage may be interested in the following options for marriage prep:

- **Smart Loving** is a Catholic On-Demand online Marriage Preparation programs for dating/engaged couples. You can go through lessons as a couple, or with a sponsor couple who act as your mentors.
- **Transformed in Love** is a two-day seminar offered at St Mary's Star of the Sea Parish, West Melbourne. For more information, contact the Parish on 9328 3474 or info@stmaryswestmelbourne.org

Married couples may also be interested in the following options for marriage enrichment:

- **SmartLoving Online Courses:** *Marriage Kit* for couples wanting to renew and strengthen their marriages, *Newlywed 'Date Nites'* a monthly email program for those in the early years of marriage, *Breakthrough* for spouses in marriages in distress, *Fertility* and *Theology of the Body*: smartloving.org/online-courses
- **The Marriage Course:** A Christian program that can be done online or in person. Find Melbourne- and/or online-run programs at: www.themarriagecourse.org
- **MARRIAGERESOURCECENTRE.ORG**
- **MESSYFAMILYPROJECT.ORG**
- **Restore The Glory Podcast:** Hosted by two Catholic therapists covering all things healing and restoring.

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



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The Tidings before the weekend?

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Men's Breakfast

Hosted by The Knights of the Southern Cross

Saturday 17 August 2024 • 7.30am, sit down 8.00am

St Dominic's Parish Hall

Guest Speaker: Mr Bernie Finn

Australia First Party

The Knights of the Southern Cross invite all men in the parish to come and enjoy a breakfast of eggs, bacon and sausages with toast, tea and coffee.

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

- 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 after 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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