



THE TIDINGS

SERVING THE AREAS OF MELTON, MELTON WEST, BONNIE BROOK, HARKNESS,
GRANGEFIELDS, KURUNJANG, PLUMPTON, ROCKBANK & TOOLERN VALE



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

PENTECOST SUNDAY – Year A | 28 May 2023

CLERGY

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YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/parishmelton>

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 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday 9.00am, 11.00am & 5.00pm

St Dominic's Church, Melton

10 Unitt Street, Melton, VIC 3337

- Thursday & Friday 9.15am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 5.45 pm | Sunday: 4.45pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ROSARY

- 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: 108 Bulmans Rd, Melton West, VIC 3337

Phone: +61 3 8099 6000

Email: info@crmelton.com.au

Have you thought?

The Presence of the Spirit

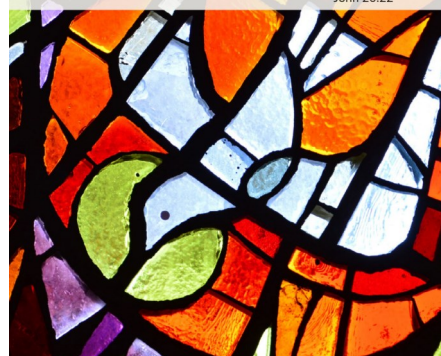
We can sometimes regard Pentecost as the day the Holy Spirit came into the world. However, the Spirit had long been active in the world before this event.

In fact, even the second verse of Genesis Chapter 1 tells us that the Spirit hovered over the waters.

The Old Testament is filled with references in which 'The Spirit of God came upon (him) with power' and the Spirit was evident at Jesus' baptism and throughout the gospels. Jesus is frequently described as being 'filled with the Spirit'. So, from the very beginning of creation the Spirit has moved in the world and continues to energise it today.

"Receive the Holy Spirit."

John 20:22



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

Alleluia!

Today's Scripture Readings

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 103; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-2

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ex 3:4-6, 8-9; Dan 3:52-56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18



THANK YOU!

\$2,950



Parish Stewardship Update

April Pledge: \$6,429.43 Actual: \$4,800.85



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



THE BEGINNINGS OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH:

The Sanctuary is the place where the altar stands, where the Word of God is proclaimed, and where the priest, the deacon and the other ministers exercise their offices. It should be suitably marked off from the body of the Church whether by it being somewhat elevated or by a particular structure and ornamentation”

(General Instruction on the Roman Missal 2000 art. 295)

THE ALTAR

“...., it should be kept in mind that the Eucharistic celebration itself is the true centre of Christian worship and indeed the whole Christian life. The actual celebration of the Eucharist is the focus of the normal Sunday Assembly, and the altar its centre.”

(Eucharisticum Mysterium #1)

OUR ALTAR WAS PURCHASED FROM MARY MACKILLOP PARISH, KEILOR DOWNS. IT HAS EIGHT SIDES REPRESENTING THE SEVEN DAYS OF THE WEEK AND THE EIGHTH BEING FOR ETERNAL LIFE.

IT ALSO CONTAINS THE PRIMARY RELICS OF STS MARIA GORETTI AND TERESA DE AVILA.

St. Maria Goretti...

(1890-1902) was unusual at the time of her canonization and remains - as holiness always is - a sign of contradiction today.

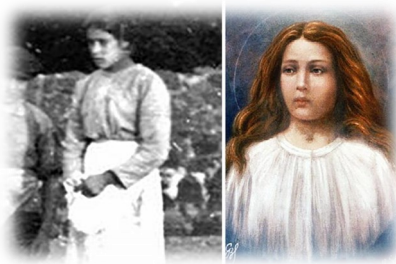
She was canonized in 1950. Until St. John Paul II's effort to demonstrate the holiness to be found in our own times through his efforts to canonize the saints, and numerous martyrs, of the 20th century, sainthood was rarely recognized until centuries after the candidate's death. That Maria's mother was present at her canonization 48 years after her death was hitherto unprecedented.

Maria was born Oct. 16, 1890, in Corinaldo, a farming village in east central Italy and one of seven children. By 1899, they occupied a house, closer to Rome, together with another family, the Serenellis, and Maria's father died.

On July 5, 1902, she was at home with Alessandro Serenelli, the 20-year-old son of the family with whom the Gorettis occupied the house. Serenelli threatened to attack her if she did not submit sexually to him. She refused, calling it a sin. He began choking her, then stabbed her 14 times, injuring her upper body (throat, heart, lungs, diaphragm).

She was taken to a regional hospital where doctors operated with anesthesia, but she died the next day. Before she expired, she declared that she forgave her attacker. Serenelli was

immediately arrested and sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment. Stubbornly unrepentant, he changed after three years and a visit from a local bishop, to whom he later confided that he had seen Maria in a dream, bearing lilies in her hand, flowers that burned in his.



He was released in 1929, returned to Maria's mother to beg forgiveness, became a porter as a lay brother in the Capuchins, and died in 1970.

Though that motif had been strong in the first decades after Maria's canonization, it seems to have waned in some circles. That leads to the issue of how Maria remains a "sign of contradiction" although less than a century and a quarter separate us from this saint.

First, because she was a victim of assault due to attempted rape, some would like to diminish the sexual element. Maria was a victim of violence, assault, crime — and a child victim at that! That's true, and that focus is increasingly relevant in our day as crime rates escalate. Her feast day is July 6.

Teresa of Ávila

Teresa of Ávila was born Teresa Sánchez de Cepeda y Ahumada, in Ávila, Castile (hence *of Ávila*) in the year 1515. She is also called St. Teresa of Jesus, as that was the name she took when she joined the Carmelites.

Born in a *converso* family, she is one of the most (if not *the most*) prominent Spanish mystic, religious reformer, author, and theologian. Teresa was the first woman to be declared a Doctor of the Church, by Pope Paul VI in 1970.

Active during the Catholic Reformation (the Spanish *Contrarreforma*), she reformed the Carmelite Orders, including its branches for both women and men. John of the Cross was the first man to join her reform, which became known as the Discalced Carmelites.

Being a prominent author, she is often depicted holding a quill in her hand, wearing the Carmelite habit. She is the patron saint against headaches, against sickness, for lace makers and the patroness of Spain. Her feast day is October 15th.



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YOU ARE PRAYERFULLY INVITED TO

FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA & 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF OUR CHURCH

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June 2023

St. Anthony's Feast Day Celebrations

Procession, Chaplet of St Anthony of Padua, followed by Mass at 10.30 am
Adjourn to fellowship with faith, fun, food, live music, games, etc.

Holy Mass on St. Anthony's Feast Day

Celebrate the Holy Hour with St Anthony Novena, followed by Mass at 6.30pm
Adjourn to talk on St. Anthony and fellowship

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June 2023

St Anthony of Padua Catholic Parish | 67-75 Exford Rd, Melton South VIC 3338 | (03) 9747 9692

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
11am	Bruna Tomassi	9743 0341
5 pm	Josephine Krajina	0407 042 133

Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul



Celebrating the feast of
St. Peter and St. Paul

FEAST LUNCHEON

Sunday 11 June, 2023



At the Nancye Kirchner Neighbourhood Centre
2 Doyle St, Avondale Heights VIC 3034

Time: 12.30 pm

Music provided by J & C DUO

5 course meal - wine - soft drink - coffee

Tickets: \$40 Adults Children 4-12 years \$ 30

For more details and to book call:

Angela Greto: 0412447321

Mimma Sabatini: 0403528325

Peter Paul Portelli: 0431473893

Come and enjoy a lovely lunch with us and help us raise money for the sick and the poor.

Passion on the Big Screen

A Day @ the Movies with Peter Malone msc'
(in-person event) Saturday, 17 June,
10 am – 3.30 pm (AEST)

We often refer to Jesus as the Word made Flesh. But Colossians I proclaims Jesus as the Image of the Invisible God. Religious images have always been part of spirituality.

The 20th century saw moving images emerging on screens, cinemas, television and new modes of streaming. How can we relate to these images as vision for our spiritual lives? Images, symbols, visual metaphors, Christ-figures? We appreciate Lectio Divina. Here we respond to Visio Divina, movie clips, their challenge.

Facilitated by Peter Malone msc ~ author, lecturer, founding member of The Film Critics Association and priest. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost: \$60 (BYO lunch).

Book and pay via website: www.heartoflife.melbourne. Email: info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel: 03 9890 1101.

Pentecost		Saturday & Sunday May 27&28, 2023		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcome	Tania Walters	Asther Creo	Liz Coustley	Josephine Krajina
The Word	Manoj D'Silva	Sanghaya Creo	Cira Cleary	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Responder	Tetchie Hadfield	Vickie Cassar	Kate Swan	Frank Unferdorben
Presentation of Gifts	Leny Obtinalla	Karl Metha	Lea Jacuta	Corrie Family
Holy Communion	Dalene Jenkins	Maureen Mohr	Bruna Tomassi	Josephine Krajina
PowerPoint Operator	Robert Obtinalla	Sanyata Creo	Liz Coustley	Daniella Ahmet
Gift Shop	Margaret Richards	Anne Stokie	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
Choir	6 pm Choir	Veneration Choir	Veritas Choir	Filipino Choir
Counters	Maria Abela, Tania Walters			

The Most Holy Trinity		Saturday & Sunday June 3&4, 2023		
MINISTERS OF:	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM
Welcomer	Margaret Richards	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Frank Unferdorben
The Word	Tania Walters	Lawrence Camenzuli	Liza Fernandez	Josephine Krajina
Responder		Anne Stokie	Liz Coustley	Lesley Sosa-Ritchie
Presentation of Gifts	Tetchie Hadfield	Theo Franken	Bruna Tomassi	Brian Dean
Holy Communion	Bill McGuinness	Asther Creo	Lea Jacuta	Ismael Sosa-Sanchez
PowerPoint Operator	Dalene Jenkins	Sanyata Creo	Theo Baleebanga	Daniella Ahmet
Gift Shop	Veronica Milburn	Graham Dempsey	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina
Choir	Divine Mercy Choir	Veneration Choir	St Anuarite Choir	Tongan Family Choir
Counters	Karl Metha, Anne Stokie, Maureen Mohr			



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BAPTISM DATES 2023

Please note all Baptisms are held at St Catherine of Siena Church, Bulmans Road, Melton West and commence at the allocated time.

As part of the Baptism process, we require you to complete an Application for Baptism Form and return it with a copy of the child's Birth Certificate to our Office to secure your date.

Please ring the Office on 9743 6515 prior to making your final arrangements to ensure that your date & time is available and confirmed.

May	20 May 27 May	Booked out Booked out
June	24 June	11am & 12pm
July	15 July 22 July 29 July	11am 11am & 12pm 11am & 12pm
August	19 August 26 August	11am & 12pm 11am & 12pm
September	16 September	11am & 12pm
October	21 October 28 October	11am & 12 pm 11am & 12 pm
November	18 November 25 November	11am & 12 pm 11am & 12 pm
December	2 December 9 December	11am & 12 pm 11am & 12 pm

** COMPULSORY Baptism Information Night **

COMMENCING AT 7.30PM SHARP
AT ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

	17 May	21 June
19 July	16 August	20 September
18 October	22 November	No Information Night in Dec

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 List

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

Send an email to melton@cam.org.au requesting The Tidings be emailed to you.

5 THINGS EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

1

HE IS A PERSON

The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity.

2

HE IS FULLY GOD

All three persons of the Trinity are fully God and "equal in glory".

3

HE HAS ALWAYS EXISTED

God eternally exists as the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

4

YOU RECEIVE HIM AT BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

We receive Him first in Baptism, and then is strengthened in the gifts of the Holy Spirit at Confirmation.

5

CHRISTIANS ARE TEMPLES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have the Holy Spirit indwelling in us. We must live accordingly.

INFORMATION FROM CHURCHPOP.COM

CatholicLink

DO YOU FEEL BEING CALLED TO SERVE? Information Session for the Permanent Diaconate

COME & SEE! An information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **Saturday, 3 June from 10 to 11:45 am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information, please talk to Den Chris or contact the office for the Permanent Diaconate at 03-9412 3357 or email: diaconate@cam.org.au



The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men who wish to serve God and the Church as an ordained minister.

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Last week Australia celebrated National Volunteer Week. We take this opportunity to thank our many volunteers that assist Fr Michael with his work in, and vision for, our Parish.

Your generosity in time, effort and care is much appreciated in the many and varied ministries that are undertaken.

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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