

14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A

# The Tidings

5TH JULY 2020



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The Parish Office is not open Weekends or  
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**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:**

Please contact the Parish Office.

**PARISH OF MELTON  
SERVING THE AREAS OF:**

Melton, Melton West, Aintree, Boonie Brook,  
Harkness, Grangefields, Kurunjang, Plumpton,  
Rockbank, & Toolern Vale

**MASS TIMES**

**St Catherine of Siena Church**

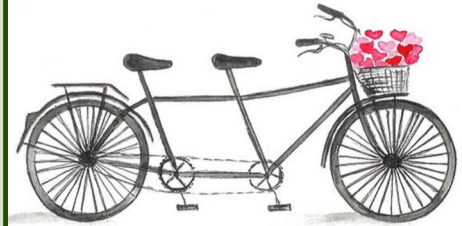
**108 Bulmans Road, Melton West**

All Masses have been suspended due to  
the COVID-19 measures.

**St Dominic's Church**

**Church Street, Melton**

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My yoke is easy and my  
burden light.

## A MESSAGE FROM FR. MICHAEL

Hello and welcome to another week! With all that is happening here in Victoria with Stage 3 restrictions and lockdowns for COVID-19 hot spots, it is easy to get bogged down with the day-to-day nature of it all. In today's Gospel we hear that Christ will refresh the weary. I know that with all that is happening right now, I need some of this refreshment - what about you???

Yet, even when I feel the most tired, the most overwhelmed, God sends me the smallest bright spot to begin to revive my outlook of the situation. Sometimes it comes in the form of a funny viral video sent by a friend. Sometimes it is a "Hi Father" from across the aisle at Woodgrove. This week it was also connecting with our school families online for CRC Melton Year 7, 2022 Enrolment Interviews.

During these COVID-19 times, I have to keep reminding myself and take the time to readjust my own 'filters' to see the Grace of life being shown to me. It is hard, but it is worth it.

We have been sharing some great information on our Facebook page and website in relation to the recent announcement so be sure to 'Check-in' on these valuable resources - it makes the parish secretary happy when you do!

### Remember to stay connected to the Parish through

- **Our Website** | [www.pol.org.au/melton](http://www.pol.org.au/melton)
- **Our Facebook Page** | [www.facebook.com/catholicparishmelton](http://www.facebook.com/catholicparishmelton)
- **Our YouTube Chanel:** **PARISH MELTON** |  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC51NP-Z4aSc43NtsZo9kN2A>

Stay Safe and Stay Connected to each other and your Parish: we miss you! —

*Fr Michael Moody*

## ANNIVERSARIES:

4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020

**Basilisa Degiorgio,  
Emmal Candappa,  
Virginia Dela Rosa,  
Norma Gloria, Graham  
Hehir, John Haymes,  
Greg Antinor, Issabela  
Steer, Beryl Tallent,  
Edward C Michael,  
Aiden P Michael, Esmi  
Vaz, Dr. Richard Salts,  
Noel Rayner, Fernando  
Vannuccini, Estel  
DeNeice, Mary Rose  
Attard, Valma Wells,  
George Knight, Sam  
DeSilva, Ted Preston,  
Nina DeBono,  
Jane Pace.**

## PRAYER FOR THE SICK

All those affected with  
COVID-19 & those whose  
health is compromised at  
this time.

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**THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN ENQUIRY MEETING ON TUESDAY 18TH AUGUST 2020.**

*Due to the Corona virus crisis this will be a Zoom meeting.*

The Catholic Church welcomes those who are searching for God and for spiritual meaning in their lives. The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process by which adults are welcomed into the Catholic Church. Contact Fr Michael Moody, Parish of Melton, St Catherine of Siena Church and St Dominic's Church, on 9743 6515.

**2020 CAR RAFFLE –URGENT**

“Because of Corona 19 Virus ,draw date for the prizes has been extended to 26/09/2020 from 06/06/2020.

We now require all sold and unsold books/tickets to be returned to the Presbytery at 10 Unitt Street Melton by 15/07/2020. Tickets, sold and unsold, and cash, to be placed in an envelope and placed in the slot to the right hand side of the front door. Your co-operation in attending to this would be most appreciated as it will reduce follow up telephone calls.” Any queries please contact Brendan Richards on [bmrichards@ozemail.com.au](mailto:bmrichards@ozemail.com.au) or 0418 813 550.

**WEEKEND MASS AVAILABLE ONLINE**

Join the Melton Parish online for Mass during the weekend. This week's Mass will be available on Saturday evening.

Subscribe to our YouTube channel for the Sunday Reflections & the online celebrations. Simply hit the subscribe button and maybe even give us a like or two!








Parish Melton  
1 subscriber


**STEWARDSHIP:  
FOR THE MONTH OF  
MAY 2020**

**Weekly Pledged:  
\$7,753.00**

**Weekly Amount Given:  
\$4,450.43**

  
**GIVING TO THE MELTON PARISH**

 <b>CDF pay for Parishes</b> Give online through the new payment portal. You can select a one-off payment or regular payment to either the Presbytery (1st collection) and/or the Parish (2nd Collection). The link is on our website.	 <b>Direct Debit</b> Email the Parish Office or visit our website [pol.org.au/melton] to obtain the form.
 <b>Credit Card</b> Email the Parish Office or visit our website [pol.org.au/melton] to obtain the form.	 <b>Envelopes</b> Place your weekly envelopes in the No Contact drop off box at the Parish Office.

  
**Having trouble or want to change the way you give?**  
If you have any questions or are having any issues, please contact the parish office on (03) 9743 6515 or email us at [melton@cam.org.au](mailto:melton@cam.org.au)

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**CHANGES TO CRC MELTON  
YR 7, 2022 APPLICATION DATES.**

**Enrolment dates extended**

Due to COVID-19, Catholic Education Melbourne have changed Enrolment application dates for Year 7, 2022. Applications are now due on **Friday 9 October 2020.**

Application forms can be returned to the College reception or via email [enrolments@crcmelton.com.au](mailto:enrolments@crcmelton.com.au).

If you return your application via email, you will be contacted regarding the payment of the \$50 enrolment fee when the application is processed

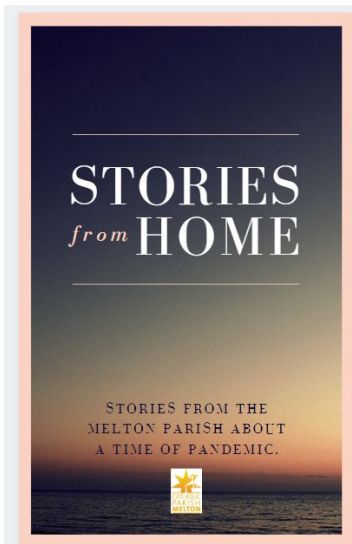
**ALL MELTON PARISH APPLICANTS NEED TO SEE FATHER MICHAEL MOODY. TO ARRANGE A TIME PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE ON (03) 9743 6515.**

**APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL OF THE RESULT OF THEIR APPLICATION BY TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2020.**

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# Stories from Home

Stories from the Melton Parish about a time of pandemic.

**Good stories capture our imaginations, inspire us to be better, teach us, define us and help us bear witness to our own humanity and those of our neighbors. We weave our stories with other people's stories on a common loom. Let's weave together and see our tapestry.**

Jesus was not only a healer, a teacher and prophet—he was a storyteller. He used his stories to illuminate the minds and souls of those who heard his voice. His voice can still be heard in the written form through the scripture, through the Mass, through the art and music that artists across the world are inspired to create and our very own voices (if we allow it to be).

Pope Francis' 2020 Message for World Day of Social Communication is an inspirational piece about the value and need for our stories to be told. The COVID-19 pandemic has changed how we live in the short term and we are yet to see the changes that will occur in the future.

We would love to hear your story about staying home to stay safe. Some inspiration questions may include:

- What has changed in your outside world?
- What has changed in you?
- What new skills have you been required to learn?
- What have you grown to appreciate?
- What has died in you during this time?
- What time has been given life at this time?
- What has been your biggest challenge?
- What has been your biggest success?
- What do you want to remember from this?
- What lessons will you let live or let die?
- What made you see the humorous side of life
- What made you shed a tear or reevaluate your heart's desire?
- With all that you have learnt and gained and lost—Where do you want to go from here?

We would LOVE to hear your stories and anecdotes to collate into a book. This weekend think of what story you would like to pass on. Perhaps something you want others to know or perhaps your children, your grandchildren or even those who will walk the paths we walk now.

Say a prayer, muster your courage, get planning & write! Your piece does not need to be long—a paragraph or two or three, that is all. If you do complete this task, email it to us at [melton@cam.org.au](mailto:melton@cam.org.au) with your name, your age (if you are game enough) and a note giving us permission to publish your work.

**\*\*\* Submission time extended! \*\*\***

**Submissions close on 31 July 2020. The collection of stories will be published in an e-book on the feast of St Dominic—8 August 2020.**

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# THIS WEEK'S READINGS

## **First reading**

*A reading from the prophet Zechariah*

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!  
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!  
See now, your king comes to you;  
he is victorious, he is triumphant,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
He will banish chariots from Ephraim  
and horses from Jerusalem;  
the bow of war will be banished.  
He will proclaim peace for the nations.  
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,  
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**R.** I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will give you glory, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and raise your name for ever.  
**(R.)**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **(R.)**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **(R.)**

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. **(R.)**

## **Second reading**

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

## **Gospel**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

