

# The Tidings

3RD OCTOBER 2021



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**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**

**No Mass during COVID-19  
Lockdown**

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:**

Please contact the Parish Office.

**St Dominic's Church**

**Church Street, Melton  
No Mass during COVID-19  
Lockdown**



## MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL—

Hello! I hope this message finds you well.

In this week's issue of The Tidings, we have a number of important messages for you. These notices are both at a local and national level.

Starting closest to home—Pets are universally known as a good source of therapy. This week in honor of the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, we will be holding our inaugural 'Blessing of Pets' on Monday. This blessing will be available on our YouTube channel from Monday 4 October at around 11am. We ask that you and your pet join us for this blessing!

We are also conducting a survey of the ways that we can connect online as a community. The notice for this along with the link and QR code can be found on Page 2. Please take the time to respond as we would love to hear your feedback.

On a national level, the Plenary Council's First Assembly will be held on 3-10 October 2021. The Plenary Council website will provide daily livestreams of parts of the opening Plenary sessions and Masses (including the Opening Mass on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October). The links and prayers can be found in this week's edition of The Tidings. We call on God's protection and care through this process and call on the Holy Spirit to guides us all in this process.

Please keep safe and join us for online Mass — *Fr Michael*

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Helen Jackson

## ANNIVERSARIES:

2nd— 8th October

Phyllis Woods, Paul Cara,  
Sonny Parnis, Donic Santa  
Maria, Melville Callanan,  
Don Tallent, Priscila  
Rodriguez, Vin Gerber,  
Melville Callanan, Daniela  
DiSante, Jim Lawson,  
Brian Dobson, Marge  
Price, Kellie Maree Elmer,  
Carlo Bacchilega, Carlo  
Bacchilega, Norman  
Skinner, Carmen Galea,  
Peter Fenlon, Clarence  
Corera, Philip Aldridge,  
Br. Cahill Gleisner SDB, Fr  
Peter James, Gerti  
Roberts, Daniel Paoli,  
Bronwyn Huxtable,  
Shayamalee Candappa,  
Sean Stewart, Birdwyn  
Dennis Allen, Mrs Nugera,  
Royal Thompson, Carmen  
Sullivan, Lucina Dimaano.

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## REMEMBER YOU ARE ABLE TO GIVE ONLINE

<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=192>

This portal allows you to make one-off or regular payments to either the **Presbytery** (this is the first collection at Mass which goes towards the running & maintenance of the Presbytery, the priest and Archdiocese of Melbourne) or the **Parish Stewardship** (this is the second collection at Mass when you place your envelopes. This offering goes towards activities within the parish, the parish staff, maintenance and the expenses for the Churches in our Parish).

When giving to the **Parish** we ask that you place your **Envelope Number & Surname in the notes field** [*example - SG123SMITH*]. This assists us to match your contribution to your account. **To give - simply click the quick link on the CDFPay for Parishes logo below!**

## CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE MELTON YEAR 7, 2023

Applications for enrolment in Year 7, 2023 at both the CRC Melton West Melton campus and new Cobblebank campus are now overdue.

## COMING2GATHER—MELTON PARISH

With the continued lockdowns, we have been thinking of ways that we can connect online as a community. Deacon Chris has created an online survey to gauge how our parishioners would like to gather for online devotion during the Covid-19 Lockdown and restrictions. The survey can be accessed via the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/Coming2Gather> or via this QR code below. Please take the time to let us know what you think.



## PLENARY COUNCIL— FIRST ASSEMBLY 3-10 OCTOBER

Over three years ago the decision was announced to hold a Plenary Council and the People of God began preparing for this historic moment by listening to God and by listening to one another's stories of faith. After this time of listening and journeying the Catholic Church of Australia will gather for the first assembly of the Plenary Council from 3-10<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the First Assembly will be held via '*one device-one person*' mode. There will be 17 members participating in this gathering who have been called from the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The Plenary Council website will provide daily livestreams of parts of the opening Plenary sessions and Masses (including the Opening Mass on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October). <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1/>

Plenary Council Masses and daily morning prayer booklets for full participation are available here: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/prayer/>

Copies of the Prayers to the Holy Spirit for the Plenary Council you may wish to pray each day of the Assembly next week and the Prayers of the Faithful for the Plenary Council can be found on pages 4 & 5 of The Tidings.

We call on God's protection and care, seeking the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit as the members gather next week and discern the future that God is call us to. May God grant the grace to all those gathering to be open to the Spirit leading through these upcoming days of prayer, listening and discernment.

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**SAVE THE DATE**

MY MASTER & I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO THE  
MELTON PARISH'S INAUGURAL

## *Blessing of Pets*

*on the feast of St Francis of Assisi*

**MONDAY 4TH OCTOBER, 2021 AT 11AM**

THE BLESSING WILL BE HELD ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL -  
PARISH MELTON

●●● MELTON PARISH

## Stay Connected

Facebook | YouTube | Website

[www.pol.org.au/melton](http://www.pol.org.au/melton)

[Facebook.com/catholicparishmelton](https://www.facebook.com/catholicparishmelton)

YouTube - Parish Melton



**STEWARDSHIP: FOR  
THE MONTH OF JULY  
2021**

**Weekly Pledged:  
\$8,113.96**

**Weekly Amount Given:  
\$6,518.47**

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## **Universal Prayer**

Presider The Spirit brings new life to the church. Let us be open to the prompting of the Spirit as we pray for our needs and those of the church.

For the Catholic Church in Australia as we begin the First Assembly of the Plenary Council; that the Holy Spirit may inflame the hearts and minds of all so that we may experience a new Pentecost in this Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the Plenary Council members who are assembling around Australia for the First Assembly: that their hearts and minds are opened to receive the Holy Spirit in all their conversations and prayer. Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our Nation: that this journey of discernment and listening of the Plenary Council becomes a source of wisdom and courage as we move into the future. Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all those who are currently living under lockdown conditions due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic and those involved in the front line of care: that they may be supported in this difficult time by our loving and prayerful support. Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who are suffering: that they will know the compassion and kindness of Jesus by the outreach of all Christians. Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all those who have gone before us: May their lived example as followers of Jesus Christ be an ever present memory that fires our own commitment to the Gospel message. Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, hear our prayer**

Presider Come, Holy Spirit, fill us with your loving presence. Make us strong and constant followers of Jesus with a desire to live and proclaim the Gospel message.

**All Amen.**





## **PRAYER OF PETITION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

*A prayer used before every session of the Second Vatican Council.  
This is to be prayed at the beginning of a Plenary Council.*

We stand before you, Holy Spirit,  
conscious of our sinfulness,  
but aware that we gather in your name.  
Come to us, remain with us,  
and enlighten our hearts.

Give us light and strength  
to know your will,  
to make it our own  
and to live it in our lives.

Guide us by your wisdom,  
support us by your power,  
for you are God,  
sharing the glory of Father and Son.

You desire justice for All  
enable us to uphold the rights of others;  
do not allow us to be misled by ignorance  
or corrupted by fear or favour.  
Unite us to yourself in the bond of love  
and keep us faithful to all that is true.

As we gather in your name  
may we temper justice with love,  
so that all our decisions  
may be pleasing to you,  
and earn the reward  
promised to good and faithful servants,  
Amen.





# Lockdown Light Week 5

A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown...

Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations below.

## **PODCASTS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING**

*Quality podcasts navigating marriage and family life*

### **How to keep our kids Catholic**

In this episode of The Word on Fire show, Bishop Robert Barron and Brandon Vogt discuss what helps children retain their faith into young adulthood. Listen at [www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving5](http://www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving5)

## **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE**

*Resources to help you explore the Bible*

### **Science and the Bible: Are they opposed?**

Getting started: In this video, Bishop Robert Barron firmly debunks the common claim that science and religion are diametrically opposed. Watch at [www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted5a](http://www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted5a) and then visit: [www.reasonfaithscience.com](http://www.reasonfaithscience.com) for further resources.

Going deeper: This video skilfully explores a Catholic understanding of the Book of Genesis' account of creation through a tapestry of voices. Watch at [www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper5](http://www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper5)

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