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The Tidings

10TH 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





RECENTLY DECEASED Deng Are, **Reverend Noel Oliver PE**

ANNIVERSARIES

9th -15th October 2021 Joseph Cassar, Ellen Veroncia Kealy, Merryl Jongebloed, Francis Pickett, Michael Wallner, Grace Robbins, George & Elizabeth Tarleton, Bert Brown-Kenyon, Grace Bonnici, Joshua Baillon, Jacinto Cabreros, Gaetan Benoit, Maria Rosaria Mazzarella, Eric Huxtable, Stan Wedekind, Victor Biskup, John Lane, Sr Giulia Bruna Corletto, Rita Pisani, Mary Cutajar, Eddie Simbulan, Concetta Pasquini, Audrey Rilling, Justin Seneviratne Snr, Ivan Fisher, Michael Bonnici, David Drummond, Amber Laverick, Bali Viltele, Greg Rowley, Tony Gatt, Phil Licciardo, Ursula Milligan, Lucky Fernando, Melville Callanan, Peter Rouvray, John Sullivan, Frank McCabe, Monica Bradshaw, Vincent Micallef, Nel Trezise.

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL—

Hello! I hope this message finds you well.

This week Australia's fifth Plenary Council commenced, with all 278 members gathering online from across the country for daily discernment and discussion on the Council's 16-point agenda. For those that are interested, coverage can be found on the Plenary Council's YouTube Channel. I encourage you to take a look at the topics discussed.

This weekend we celebrate Life, Marriage and Family Sunday in our Archdiocese. Normally there is an anniversary Mass that is held at St Patrick's Cathedral for all those celebrating significant wedding anniversaries but due to COVID, this year's service will not be going ahead. We have included a special prayer for married couples in the newsletter to celebrate this special weekend.

On the next page of The Tidings, you will see a link to the Word on Fire acclaimed Catholicism series. This series is beautifully shot and will provide spiritual enrichment during this time when are services are limited to online Mass.

I am counting the days until we are able to meet again! In the meanwhile, I ask you to remember to fill in the survey by Deacon Chris about services we can offer during these last few weeks of lockdown.

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

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!

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.



WORD ON FIRE - ACCLAIMED CATHOLICISM SERIES

Word on Fire are offering a free screening of their acclaimed **Catholicism Series** - 10 wonderful videos, over 500 minutes of content, to celebrate its 10 year anniversary. This is a great opportunity for parishes to celebrate their Catholic Faith. Just follow this link:

https://catholicismseries.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR3Or0H9ADhDKVTPnBRm WHJDamczLn85N6W1VmQmczdol_q

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STEWARDSHIP: FOR
THE MONTH OF JULY
2021
Weekly Pledged:
\$8,113.96
Weekly Amount Given:
\$6,518.47

LIFE, MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUNDAY

Prayer for Married Couples

God our Father, we look back today with gratitude to the time when You first blessed our love.

We thank You for the happiness we have known together and for sustaining us in the sorrows we have shared.

We ask for forgiveness for any failure on our part; for any times when we became difficult to live with; for any lack of sympathy and understanding; for anything which spoiled even for a moment the relationship You desire for us.

After these many years of life together, increase and deepen our love by the power of Your Spirit so that we, and our family may always be one with You.

Bless our marriage Lord, with peace and happiness, and make our love fruitful for Your glory and our joy.

Saints Anne & Joachim... Pray for us.

Amen.

Image: "Joachim and Anna" in Sacred Heart University's Chapel of the Holy Spirit (Mosaic by Father Marko Rupnik) | Produced by the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne





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

The Irreplaceable Role of Parents

The role of parents cannot be underestimated. And while parents have a natural role—to protect and provide—we can sometimes forget the irreplaceable role parents have in the spiritual and emotional lives of their children. Find out more here www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving6a

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Resources to help you explore the Bible

Understanding Mary in the Bible

Getting started: Why do Catholics call Mary their mother? Isn't that taking away some of the respect due to Jesus and giving it to Mary? On the contrary, in this video, Fr Mike Schmitz discusses how a relationship with Mary can strengthen our faith life. Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted6

Going deeper: How are Mary and the Ark of the Covenant from Exodus connected? What relevance does that have today? In this video, Dr Brant Pitre explores Mary's role as the new Ark of the Covenant—the dwelling place of the Lord on earth. View here www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper6

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