

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT: YEAR C

# The Tidings

20TH MARCH 2022



Celebrating 50 years as a parish 1972-2022

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The Parish Office is not open Weekends or  
Public Holidays

**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**

Wednesday 9.30am

Saturday 6pm | Sunday 9am, 11am & 5pm

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:**

Please contact the Parish Office.

**St Dominic's Church  
Church Street, Melton  
Thursday & Friday -  
9.15am**



**RECENTLY DECEASED:**  
Gregory 'Stan' Stanley  
Catherine Kwiecinski

**ANNIVERSARIES:**  
19<sup>th</sup>—25<sup>th</sup> March 2022  
Joseph Camilleri, Darren  
Bathalomeuze,  
Petronella  
Franken, Leon  
Jongebloed, Teodora G  
Ty, Richard Zielinski,  
Carlo Girardi, Kathleen  
Twomey, Helen  
Luettgau, Jesus  
Sarmiento, Francesca  
Barton, Jean White, Leo  
McGuire, Una Donovan,  
Gwenda Bishop, Emil  
Jongebloed, Nellie  
Breslin, Anthony Jarvis,  
Lanza Piscopo, Paul  
Piscopo, Joe Larkin,  
Aileen Lacey, Edil  
Huerto, Joyce Dias,  
Salvina Borg, Sr.  
Bernadette Joseph FC.

## INTRODUCTION—

'UNLESS YOU REPENT.' When misfortune strikes people considered to be sinners, others might say: "They had it coming! God is punishing them!" in today's Gospel Jesus criticizes such attitudes on two grounds. Firstly, it is wrong to see the wrath of God in every tragic event. Secondly, we need to recognize that we are all guilty of sin and in need of conversion. Instead of judging others, let us ask God to forgive our sins and help us as we undertake the difficult task of reform.

## MESSAGE FROM FR. MICHAEL—

This week the children in our parish commenced the celebration of First Eucharist (or Penance). Our first group of candidates from our St Luke's Sacramental Program received this Sacrament in a quiet, prayerful way. Like in today's gospel passage, the children were invited to examine their conscience and explore their own hearts. Many were nervous but their faces beamed as they returned from this milestone in their spiritual journey. We ask each member of our parish to pray for these children as they celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We ask that you take time to admire the children's prayer cards and take one home so that you are able to focus on a child in your prayers.

In other parish news... We have a special guest speaker this weekend - Brother Frank O'Shea. He has returned from many years in Africa and Tonga. He will be sharing his experiences with us.

Please take time to read this week's newsletter as there are some interesting items—Keep safe as we journey towards Holy Week—*Fr Michael Moody*

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## MASS ON WEDNESDAYS

Please join us for weekday Mass on Wednesday at 9.30am at St Catherine of Siena Church.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please join us for Adoration on Thursday morning after Mass at St Dominic's Church. We will be praying for our Parish. Includes Adoration and Rosary.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY—MELTON CONFERENCE MEETING

The Melton Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be meeting on 13 April 2022 at 7.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room (Corner Smith & Unitt Streets, Melton). Those interested in joining are more than welcome.

## BULMANS ROAD UPDATE

Melton Council has completed the detailed design for the Bulmans Road Upgrade Project and is now waiting on service authority approvals (Powercor, Ausnet, Telstra & Greater Western Water). It is anticipated the project will go to tender later this year. Current consultation plans are available on the council website—

<https://conversations.melton.vic.gov.au/bulmansroad>

Melton Council are still on track with the following timeframes—

- Service Authority Relocations—Powercor relocating Powerpoles anticipated timeframes are September to December 2022 (TBC).

*While this work is being performed by Powercor they will be liaising with Melton Council regarding any power shutdowns.*

- **Council to commence work on Bulmans Road Stage 1A**—between Sovereign Blvd & Centenary Ave. Anticipated Timeframes September to December 2022.
- **Council to commence work on Bulmans Road Stage 1B**—between Sovereign Blvd & the boundary of Arthur Westlake Reserve (School frontage). Anticipated timeframes between December 2022 to March 2023. The bulk of Stage 1B work can be completed during the holiday period to minimise traffic disruptions.
- **Council to commence works on Bulmans Road Stage 1C**—between the boundary of Arthur Westlake Reserve to Westlake Drive. Anticipated timeframes between March to June 2023.

# HARMONY WEEK 2022

## 'EVERYONE BELONGS'

MONDAY 21 MARCH - SUNDAY 27 MARCH

*Harmony Week celebrates Australia's exciting and diverse cultural reality. It looks to promote inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, and unity around a core set of values - from the traditional owners of the land to those who have come from around the world to make Australia their home. Our diversity is one of the greatest strengths and Harmony Week celebrates this.*

Within Our  
Parish  
Safeguarding  
is  
EVERYBODY'S  
responsibility.



**STEWARDSHIP: FOR THE  
MONTH OF FEBRUARY**

**2022**

**Weekly Pledged:**

**\$7,052.09**

**Weekly Amount Given:**

**\$6,108.10**

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# YEAR 7 2024 ENROLMENTS



*Valuing God,  
Nurturing the Individual,  
Excelling in Education*



**Catholic Regional College, Melton** is a Year 7-12 co-educational secondary school. It provides education for students from the Parishes of Bacchus Marsh, Melton & Melton South.

At Catholic Regional College Melton, we nurture the faith development of our students, focus on their individual needs and strive to develop their academic potential.

## **Applications for Year 7 2024 at our Melton West and Cobblebank campuses are now open.**

**Applications are due by Friday 19 August 2022.**

### **COLLEGE TOURS WILL BE HELD ON:**

**Wednesday 23 March 12pm**

**Tuesday 3 May 2pm**

**Wednesday 25 May 9am**

**Wednesday 1 June 12pm**

**Tuesday 19 July 2pm**

**Wednesday 10 August 9am**

**You can register for a tour of the College on our website  
[www.crcmelton.com.au/join-us/college-tours](http://www.crcmelton.com.au/join-us/college-tours)**

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# Lent

is a journey of healing, to live each day with a renewed spirit, a different “style”. Prayer, charity and fasting are aids to this: they restore us to a living relationship with God, our brothers and sisters, and ourselves.

- Pope Francis

