

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT: YEAR A

The Tidings

12TH APRIL 2020



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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

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Please contact the Parish Office.

St Dominic's Church

Church Street, Melton

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A MESSAGE FROM FR. MICHAEL

For those that know me, know that I often refer to this week as 'Grand Final Week'. It is the biggest week in the Church's calendar and normally comes with all the excitement and hard work you would expect when entering these most sacred moments. This year, in these times, it has been no different. We have prepared, we have practiced skills that have been honed through seasons past BUT the crowd we normally expect, were not there. Like everyone else, we are trying to do familiar things in very different ways.

This week in the parish, we celebrated the life of Jack Trethowan but instead of the 'standing room only' funeral we would of expected for a presence like Jack, we had only a the few mourners allowed in the Church. Jack played footy back in the day for South Melbourne Football Club. His service was livestreamed, a first for our parish. His grandchildren read the readings and prayers of intercession, albeit, pre-recorded and played during the service and the entire service can be re-watched on YouTube for the next two weeks. It seems fitting that Jack would lead out our team on the ground for the Grand Final, he has the experience of playing the game, he was an innovator and knew how to adapt to a changing environment and his faith was a large part of his life.

We now do familiar things in unfamiliar ways. Our Easter Triduum Masses are being posted on Facebook and YouTube and will be available at any time. ***Spoiler Alert***—You are on the winning team... and the most essential parts still remain—Jesus and you. Happy Easter.

Fr Michael Moody

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Jessica Hall

ANNIVERSARIES:

11th – 17th April 2020

Mary Bezzina, Carmen Testa, James O'Meara, Salvatore Cassar, Helen Walsh, Carmel Gatt, Lily Jenkins, Lawrence, Mercieca, Vittorio Armocida, Jenny Foley, Jean Coburn, Canuto J Quiballo, Giuseppe Tiberio, Sylvia Vella, Mario Gonzales, Valeriano Abrenica, John McDonald, Liza Mallia, Jeff Goudie, John Spiteri, Paul Spiteri, Ted Sliwa Snr, Peter Herbert.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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

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PARISH OFFICE & COVID-19

At this stage, the Parish Office remains open and our normal office hours apply. Due to COVID19 we ask that you make an appointment before coming to the office so we are able to regulate traffic and effectively implement social distancing measures. Our telephone may divert to the answering machine at times while we deal with the implementation of various measures that are required at this time. Please leave a message and we will contact you—the answering machine is monitored regularly.

ENROLMENTS FOR PREP 2021—ST CATHERINE OF SIENA & ST DOMINIC'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Due to COVID19 there is no Enrolment Information Evening at this stage for Prep 2021 at either of the Parish primary schools. For all enrolment enquiries and to have a pack sent to you, please email the primary school you are zoned to -

- ◆ *St Catherine of Sienna Primary School*—office@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au
- ◆ *St Dominics Primary School*—office@sdmelton.catholic.edu.au

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE MELTON YEAR 7, 2022—NOW OPEN

CRC Melton Year 7, 2022 enrolment applications are now open. Applications close on *Friday, 21st August 2020*. Families who do not have a child attending the College are required to attend a College Tour and have an interview with a senior staff member. *All* families will be required to attend an interview with their Parish Priest. *Interviews with Father Michael will not be taken at this stage so please place a reminder in your phone to call us!* Register your attendance for a tour on the College website www.crcmelton.com.au

COMBINED PARISHES CATHOLIC RAFFLE—PLEASE RETURN TICKETS!

Please return your tickets for Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle 2020 ! Tickets can be returned to the Parish Office. If you are having difficulties returning your tickets, please contact the Parish office on 9743 6515 or email on melton@cam.org.au.


ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL SYDNEY ON CHANNEL 7

St Mary's Cathedral will be televising Mass this Easter Season.

Lords Passion: Good Friday, 10 April—3:00pm
Easter Sunday Mass, 12 April—10.30am

HOLY WEEK @ THE CATHEDRAL ON CHANNEL 31

Sunday 5 April - Palm Sunday Mass, 11am
Monday 6 April - Mass for Monday of Holy Week, 1pm
Tuesday 7 April - Mass for Tuesday of Holy Week, 1pm
Wednesday 8 April - Mass for Wednesday of Holy Week, 1pm
Thursday 9 April - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7.30pm
Friday 10 April - The Way of the Cross, 11am (live streamed not televised)
Celebration of the Passion of the Lord, 3pm
Saturday 11 April - Easter Vigil Mass, 7.30pm
Sunday 12 April - Easter Sunday Mass, 11am





Parish Melton
1 subscriber

Subscribe to our YouTube channel for all the Easter Triduum Masses this Easter season.

Simply hit the subscribe button and maybe even give us a like or two!

STEWARDSHIP: FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2020

Weekly Pledged:
\$7,781.89
Weekly Amount Given:
\$7,150.57

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FACEBOOK

Due to the COVID-19 measures and the closure of all places of worship, many of our parishioners will miss out on the traditional pilgrimage through the Stations of Cross during this Lent and Easter season. Join us on Facebook as we do a virtual journey through each station. Like us on Facebook and walk to the Resurrection with us.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) This is the day the Lord has made;

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say 'His love has no end.' (R.)

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. (R.)

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

Second reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Know someone who is isolated & needs to remain connected to their faith?

Would you like to provide them with a copy of The Tidings but you do not have a printer?

Let the Parish Office know how many copies you would like and drop it into their mailbox on your fitness walk! Simply email us on melton@cam.org.au and pick up the hard copies from the Parish Office!

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