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The Tidings

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The Parish Office is not open Weekends or Public Holidays

19TH DECEMBER

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Please contact the Parish Office.

> St Dominic's Church Church Street, Melton Thursday & Friday 9:15.am

INTRODUCTION—

'BLESSED IS SHE WHO BELIEVED' From Bethlehem, the least of the clans of Judah, and from a peasant girl, Mary, one of the least of the Jewish people, God prepared a body for Jesus, the Saviour of the world. As we rejoice in the Saviour who has come to visit us, we also join Elizabeth in praising Mary for her faith, her love and her obedience.

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL

We are now lighting the fourth candle on our Advent wreath. We have meditated on HOPE, LOVE, JOY and now we meditate on PEACE on earth and goodwill towards men.

This week we received our 54th COVID-19 guideline from the Archdiocese of Melbourne—that's a lot of change! This change allows our wonderful COVID-19 Marshals to hang up their hi-vis vests and re-join the congregation! Thank you to those that stood up and became COVID-19 Marshals during this time. Your service was greatly appreciated by all. There is no need to show vaccination certificates or wear masks BUT it is recommended that face coverings be worn if you are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19—so please be kind to those that may be experiencing health issues.

Next year we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary as a Parish! If you have any ideas on ways to celebrate this occasion, please email the parish or speak to Margaret (in the New Year). We hope to celebrate a number of little moments to acknowledge this milestone.

Please note that this will be the last issue of The Tidings for 2021. We will take a little break during the summer season and return after Australia Day. The parish office will also be closed from Christmas Eve and re-open on 11 January 2022. We would like to wish you all a happy whatever does not offend you and a wonderful New year! - Merry Christmas—*Fr Michael Moody.*





RECENTLY DECEASED Jenny Dias

ANNIVERSARIES

18-31 December Monique Clencie, Corie Clencie, Estrella de Jesus, James Milligan, Margaret Caffrey, Margaret Hilbert. Lily Zammit, Alan Cole, Nickolas Xerri, Maria Mc Intyre, Monsignor Francis Mc Guire, Imelda Rolloda, Carmel McGuinness, Josephine Gray, Thomas Connor, Ryder Finn, Michael Schembri, Laurie Mc Knight, Joan Curtin, Cefferina Porcalla, William Leaupepe, Elina Jazz, Sonila Vage, Bill Winter, Patrick Conway, John Douglas Anderson, Catherine Hanrahan, Geoffrey Barker, Darren Frain, Charlu Sr Chua, Teodorico Ventura, Franz Buttigieg, Mary O'Leary, Mary Hickie, Bishop Joe Grech, Ernesto Claneza Snr, Darren Frain, Leah Abraham, Marcella Bacchilega, Maria Avellino, Veronica Lane, Mary Bugeja, Florence Byfieldt, Olive Hanney, Moussa Moussa, George Mencl, Jack Mc Callum, Michael Angelo Gatt, John Villarba, Maria Camilleri, Cecilio Bazar, Sandra Cooper.

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CHANGE OF DETAIL

If you have changed your details, then please let us know by completing a change of details slip (available from the COVID-19 desk), calling the parish office on 03 9743 6515 or email at melton@cam.org.au.

CHRISTMAS ROSTER

The Christmas Liturgy Rosters are in the foyer of for all Christmas masses & Boxing Day. Please put your name where appropriate.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We will be offering the Sacrament of the Anointing of Sick at the following Masses-

• 19 December—11am & 5pm

CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES—SIMBANG GABI (NA ULIT) SA MELTON

We will once again will be hosting Simbang Gabi (na Ulit) sa Melton—The Nine (9) Christmas Novena Masses! This year the Masses will be held in the evening. Masses commence on Wednesday 15 Dec and conclude on Thursday 23 Dec 2021. Masses will run from 8pm each evening at St Catherine of Siena Church.

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

The Parish Office will be closed from 25 December and will re-open on Tuesday 11 January 2022.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE TIDINGS

The next issue of The Tidings will be on the weekend of 29/30 January 2022.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers! The parish could not function without you. THANK YOU!



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C SATURDAY 18/12/2021 & SUNDAY 19/12/2021								
	6 PM	9 AM	11 AM	5 PM				
Covid Marshalls	Daniel Walters	Anne Stokie	Liz Coustley	Michael Higgins				
	Liz Coustley	Maureen Mohr	Lea Jacuta	Lea Jacuta				
Welcomer	Margaret Richards	Karl Metha	Lea Jacuta	Josephine Krajina				
Lector	Tania Waters	Regina Traczynski	Kate Swan	Frank Unferdorben				
Responder	Zinah D'Souza	Theo Franken	Cira Cleary	Josephine Krajina				
Eucharist Ministers	Leny Obtinalla	Vickie Cassar	Liza Fernandez	Michael Higgins				
Powerpoint Operator	Robert Obtinalla	Sanyata Creo	Lalia Marinjira	Dunia McPhee				
Gift Shop	Dalene Jenkins	Maureen Mohr	Blandina Lim-Clewer	Josephine Krajina				
Counters	Lesley Gordon and Elaine Neely and John Woof							

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Christmas Mass Timetable 2021

St Catherine of Siena Church, Bulmans Rd Melton West

Christmas Eve

Friday 24th December, 6.00pm, 8.00pm & 10pm

Christmas Day

Saturday 25th December, 9.00am & 11.00am

Boxing Day

Sunday 26th December 9am, 11am & 5pm

Anointing of the Sick

11th December – 6pm Mass 12th December—9am Mass 19th December—11am & 5pm Mass

Individual Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 11th December 5.15pm—5.45pm Sunday 12th December 4.15pm—4.45pm

Saturday 18th December 5.15pm—5.45pm Sunday 19th December 4.15pm—4.45pm

Please note— There will be no Sacrament of Penance on Christmas Eve.

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

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2021/2022 SUMMER TIMETABLE

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
20-Dec-21	21-Dec-21	22-Dec-21	23-Dec-21	24-Dec-21	25-Dec-21	26-Dec-21
8pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena	8pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena	8pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena	9.15am Mass - St Dominic's 8pm Mass - St Catherine of Si- ena	6pm, 8pm, 10pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena	9am & 11am Mass -St Cathe- rine of Siena Church Parish Office Closed	9am, 11am & 5pm Mass -St Catherine of Siena Church Parish Office Closed
27-Dec-21	28-Dec-21	29-Dec-21	30-Dec-21	31-Dec-21	1-Jan-22	2-Jan-22
Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	6pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena Parish Office Closed	6pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena Parish Office Closed	9am, 11am & 5pm Mass -St Catherine of Siena Church Parish Office Closed
3-Jan-22	4-Jan-22	5-Jan-22	6-Jan-22	7-Jan-22	8-Jan-22	9-Jan-22
Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	9.15am Mass - St Dominic's Parish Office Closed	9.15am Mass - St Dominic's Parish Office Closed	6pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena Parish Office Closed	9am, 11am & 5pm Mass -St Catherine of Siena Church Parish Office Closed
10-Jan-22	11-Jan-22	12-Jan-22	13-Jan-22	14-Jan-22	15-Jan-22	16-Jan-22
Parish Office Closed			9.15am Mass - St Dominic's	9.15am Mass - St Dominic's	6pm Mass - St Catherine of Siena	9am, 11am & 5pm Mass -St Catherine of Siena Church

STEWARDSHIP: FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2021 Weekly Pledged: \$7,992.84 Weekly Amount Given: \$4,753.40

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