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

## A MESSAGE FROM FR. MICHAEL



We have had some Parishioners note that they do not have Facebook. So we are starting to post the Stations of the Cross on YouTube (Please be patient with Margaret as she is producing & uploading the videos).

Our new Chanel is *Parish Melton*. You can search for us and find the videos that are loaded each day. You can still Like our page and join our journey. Feel free to share our Parish Facebook page (<u>www.facebook.com/</u> <u>catholicparishmelton</u>) and invite others to take the walk.

We will continue to provide CONVID-19 updates on our Parish webpage (pol.org.au/melton) and our Parish Facebook page (<u>www.facebook.com/</u> <u>catholicparishmelton</u>) as they become available. Also, sign up for The Tidings email list to continue to receive the weekly Tidings. Simply email the Parish office on <u>melton@cam.org.au</u> and let us know you are interested. Keep Safe. Look after those around you. Be kind.

Fr Michael Moody

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





RECENTLY DECEASED: Jack Trethowan

ANNIVERSARIES: 4<sup>th</sup> April. 2020 – 10<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Neil Hedgcock, Valarie Stafrace, Stephen Vella, Pauline Muscat, John Aquilina, Felica Vella, Karmen Vella, Vincent Vella, Catherine Caruana, Maurice Vella, Veronica Sullivan, Kathryn Sheppard-Irwin, Mary Lahiff, Catherine Mizzi, Andriana Feweta, Aton Gutleber, Maria Gutleber, Maria Pirotta, Shirley Devolta, Mehes Nadarajah, Sagula Abraham, Kathleen Broderick O'Brien, Jerry Hendrik, Archbishop Frank Little, Adelaida V. Moreozo, Josephine **Remedios**, Maurice Johnson, Joseph Armeni,

#### 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 -

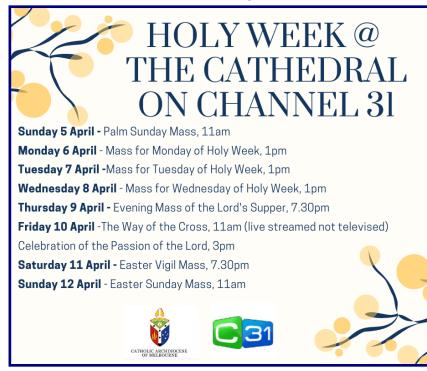
- St Catherine of Sienna Primary School—office@scmeltonwest.catholic.edu.au
- St Dominics Primary School—office@sdmelton.catholic.edu.au

#### 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 <u>www.crcmelton.com.au</u>

#### 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.



Love has not been cancelled. Prayer has not been cancelled Conversations have not been cancelled. Kindness has not been cancelled. Reading has not been cancelled. Songs have not been cancelled. Worship, as a way of life, has not been cancelled. Hope has not been cancelled. EMBRACE ALL THE GOOD THAT REMAINS!

## 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

#### STEWARDSHIP: FOR THE MONTH OF

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FACEBOOK

'Tell the daughter of Sion, Behold your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass.'.

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on the them, and sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds went before him and that followed him shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!' And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, 'Who is this?' And the crowds said, 'This is the prohet Jesus of Nazareth of Galilee'.

## First reading

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

## **Responsorial Psalm**

### (R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me They curl their lips, they toss their heads 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. (R.)

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

# Second reading

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

# <u>Gospel</u>

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate, the governor, and the governor put to him this question, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' Jesus replied, 'It is you who say it.' But when he was accused by the chief priests and the elders he refused to answer at all. Pilate then said to him, 'Do you not hear how many charges they have brought

pression, that in fact a riot was imminent. So he took some water, washed his hands in front of the crowd and said, 'I am innocent of this man's blood. It is your concern.' And the people, to a man, shouted back, 'His blood be on us and on our children!' Then he released Barabbas for them. He ordered Jesus to be first scourged and then handed over to be crucified.

The governor's soldiers took Jesus with them into the Praetorium and collected the whole cohort around him. Then they stripped him and made him wear a scarlet cloak, and having twisted some thorns into a crown they put this on his head and placed a reed in his right hand. To make fun of him they knelt to him saying, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' And they spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head with it. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the cloak and dressed him in his own clothes and led him away to crucify him.

On their way out, they came across a man from Cyrene, Simon by name, and enlisted him to carry his cross. When they had reached a place called Golgotha, that is, the place of the skull, they gave him wine to drink mixed with gall, which he tasted but refused to drink. When they had finished crucifying him they shared out his clothing by casting lots, and then sat down and stayed there keeping guard over him.

Above his head was placed the charge against him; it read: 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.' At the same time two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said 'So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself! If you are God's son, come down from the cross!' The chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save himself. He is the king of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He put his trust in God; now let God rescue him if he wants him. For he did say, "I am the son of God."" Even the robbers who were crucified with him taunted him in the same way.

From the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour, Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, Iama sabachthani?' that is, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood there heard this, they said, 'The man is calling on Elijah,' and one of them quickly ran to get a sponge which he dipped in vinegar and putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink. 'Wait!' said the rest of them 'and see if Elijah will come to save him.' But Jesus again crying out in a loud voice, yielded up his spirit.

At that, the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom; the earth quaked; the rocks were split; the tombs opened and the bodies of many holy men rose from the dead, and these, after his resurrection, came out of the tombs, entered the Holy City and appeared to a number of people. Meanwhile the centurion, together with the others guarding Jesus, had seen the earthquake and all that was taking place, and they were terrified and said, 'In truth this was a son of God.'

#### COVID-19 MEASURES FOR BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS & SACRAMENTAL CLASSES

**Baptisms** - All Baptisms are postponed at this stage. For urgent or grave pastoral needs, please contact the Parish Office on (03) 9743 6515.

**Weddings**— Weddings are to be postponed, where possible. If urgent, all guidelines must be followed regarding: - limited numbers (no more than 5 persons, including celebrant); - physical distancing measures; - hygiene precautions; - doors must remain closed to prevent public access. - no lingering outside the church following the wedding.

**Funerals** - If urgent all guidelines must be followed regarding: - limited numbers (no more than 10