



St Therese's & Our Lady of the Nativity Essendon & Essendon West Parishes



22 & 23 June 2024: Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time



First Reading: Job 38:1. 8-11 A reading from the book of Job

Here I have set the boundaries of the sea.

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

INTERCESSIONS

Sisters and brothers, with faith in God who is always with us, let us bring our needs before the Lord.

God our Father, look with love on Francis Your servant, the pastor of Your Church. May his word and example inspire and guide the Church, and may he, and all those entrusted to his care, come to the joy of everlasting life.

That world leaders will hear the cry of the poor and make just decisions

That those who live with fear and anxiety will find hope in the words of Jesus.

We pray for the children who will be initiated into our church at the sacrament of Baptism this weekend. That they lead a life of faith and love for all.

We pray for those who are ill especially Karyn Camiller.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially Toby Bateman, Joseph Alagona, Patrick Considine, Sr Rosalie Roe, and Mary-Ann Lardieri.

And for those whom we remember at this time, especially: Elizabeth Dettman, Les Hanna, Kerri Geary, Margot Riley, Michela Salvo, Antonio and Caterina Legudi, Molly Sully and Joe and Rose Gauci.

O God, you are our shepherd, accept the prayers we offer today. Strengthen us to be with those in need and help us to proclaim your love to them. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

WHICH PRIEST WHERE? This weekend Fr John will say all Masses at OLN plus 9:00am Mass at St Therese's while Fr Tony will say Mass at St Therese's 6:00pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday. Next weekend Fr John will preside at St Therese's at 6:00pm Saturday and 9:00am Sunday Mass and at OLN for the 10:00am Sunday Mass. Fr Tony will say 5:00pm Saturday Mass at OLN and will celebrate his 50th Anniversary of Ordination on Sunday at St Therese's at 10:30am Mass.

APPOINTMENT OF VICAR GENERAL FOR ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE This week Archbishop Peter Comensoli announced the appointment of Very Rev Anthony (Tony) Kerin EV JCL, currently Episcopal Vicar for the Eastern Region; Episcopal Vicar for Life, Marriage and Family; and Parish Priest of Box Hill, as the new Vicar General for the Archdiocese of Melbourne, commencing in the role, 5 August 2024. The appointment follows the news of Fr Joe Caddy's selection as Bishop-elect for the Diocese of Cairns. Archbishop Peter said, 'The position is also a critical one in support of my own leadership, and I believe Fr Tony will bring many gifts and more in offering guidance, wisdom and support to our Clergy and parishes.' Archbishop Peter asks that we keep both Fr Tony, and of course Fr Joe, in our prayers as these new journeys begin.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA SUCCESS The Senior Friendship group wish to extend thanks to the many generous supporters of their Biggest Morning Tea. Over \$500 was raised on the day which will go to support the Cancer Council.

PARISH EVENTS

JOURNEY THROUGH SADNESS MORNING TEA The Essendon Parishes Journey Through Sadness group was formed with the aim of supporting parishioners through the different forms of sadness and loss. Our parishes would like to offer some gatherings that could help us open up this subject and perhaps find support in each other. You are welcomed for morning tea in PACE on Wednesday 26 June at 10:30am. Friends are most welcome.

FR TONY'S GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION In celebration of Fr Tony Feeney's Golden Jubilee there will be a special Mass on Sunday 30 June at 10:30am with Fr Tony presiding. Following the Mass there will be morning tea in PACE. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend. Read about Fr Tony's 50 years as a priest here: <https://melbournecatholic.org/news/fr-tony-feeney-celebrating-50-years-of-ordination-and-being-with-the-people>

MEN'S CHOIR We look forward to welcoming back our Men's Choir who will sing at St Therese's 10:30am Mass next weekend.

UPCOMING APPEAL

PETER'S PENCE APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND Catholics around Australia are being encouraged to support the Peter's Pence appeal on June 30, the Sunday after the Feast of St Peter and St Paul. Donations to the appeal, which dates back to Medieval times, support Pope Francis' mission from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education and peace. Peter's Pence also aims to support a range of charities that provide aid and comfort to the poor, children, families, the elderly, the marginalised, victims of war and natural disasters, refugees, and migrants. In recent times this support has gone to people in Ukraine, Lithuania, Tanzania, the Philippines, Iraq, Haiti, the Republic of Congo, South Sudan and Brazil among other countries. Catholics are also invited to offer special prayer for the Pope. The Holy Father said in a message for Peter's Pence 2024: "The hope that we have been given never divides us from others. Instead, it is an extraordinary gift of which we are called to make ourselves 'channels', with humility and simplicity, for everyone. "So our boastfulness is because we have as Father a God who opens his house to all human beings, beginning with the least and the most distant, so that as his children we may learn to console and support one another." The Vatican's Secretariat for the Economy, which publicly reports on donations, describes Peter's Pence as "the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their shared concern with the Successor of Peter in addressing the necessities of the Universal Church and to help those most in need".

ENVELOPES FOR ST THERESE'S PARISH SUPPORT PROGRAMME The 2024/2025 envelopes for St Therese's parish are now available to collect from the tables at the back of St Therese's church. The envelopes are grouped and organised alphabetically by STREET NAME. If you find your neighbour's we'd love you to deliver them. Thanks everyone!

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS Please be aware that our low gluten hosts are not 100% gluten free. The ingredients are wheat starch and water with a gluten content of 6.2 parts per million.

VOLUNTEERING

SAFEGUARDING AUDIT AND UPDATE OF PARISH RECORDS The parish is currently undertaking a review of all records relating to our volunteers. As part of our legal responsibilities, we must maintain an accurate record of who is a volunteer here and those volunteers must abide by the certification and training requirements. In the coming weeks we will be contacting any parishioners on our volunteer lists where we have a gap in proper record keeping. We thank you for your assistance.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO HOMES We invite all parishioners who currently take Eucharist to private homes to contact the parish office to ensure we have the details of your ministry recorded. This is very important from a Safeguarding perspective but also keeps the parish informed about parishioners who can no longer attend Mass but who are still valued members of our parish community.

VOLUNTEERS are the lifeblood of our parish communities. Volunteers help keep our parishes alive and we have a responsibility to also keep our parishes safe. Therefore, our volunteers must meet some requirements in order to keep participating and these are:

ALL VOLUNTEERS, STAFF AND CLERGY in the Archdiocese of Melbourne must hold a current Working With Children Check and must list each parish in which they volunteer/work. Please add St Therese's and/or OLN to your own WWCC check here: <https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children>.

All volunteers, staff and clergy must also complete the CAM Safeguarding Essentials Training Certification. For safeguarding training visit: [Click link here](#)

CODE OF CONDUCT All parish volunteers, clergy and employees must abide by the terms of the Child Safety Code of Conduct. You can read and record your acceptance here: <https://forms.gle/5XmgSURViUYJodnt6>

MINISTRY ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 29 & 30 JUNE (WEEK 5)

| MASS | READERS | EUCCHARIST |
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| OLN 5:00pm | Paul Whiting | Fred Grima |
| OLN 10:00am | Coral D'Cruz | Volunteer Please |
| St Therese's 6.00pm | Anne Lechte & Eve Korytkowski | Teresa Pong |
| St Therese's 9.00am | Margaret Kerr | Marg Tormey & Tony Belcastro |
| St Therese's 10.30am | Rosa Pierorazio | Marita Hassed-Dunne & Kate Cooper |
| Adults: https://sundayreadingsathomeyearb.weebly.com/th4g0h3lw.html Children: https://www.yearbprayingwithchildren.org/s4m3j3I0 | | |

IS THE BIBLE RELEVANT TODAY?

We Pray 

WHY DID

HOW DOES GOD GUIDE US?

And so after waiting patiently, Abraham received what was promised. Hebrews 6:15

- Pray that each guest would spend time this week reading the Bible and that certain words would stand out and encourage them.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would begin to unveil God's promises for them.
- Pray for healthy discussions around God's guidance and His plans and purposes for their lives.

EVER PRAY?

WHAT DOES FAITH MEAN TO YOU?

We Pray

Tiny Ts Playgroup

Hosted by parents from OLN & St Therese's Parishes

For children from infant through to primary

Indoor and play

NEXT WEEK IS OUR LAST SESSION BEFORE THE BREAK FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



A great place to make new friends!

WHEN: Thursday mornings during school terms

TIME: 9.30am - 10.30am

WHERE: St Therese's PACE Function Room

COST: Free of charge

Grab a flyer for more details

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS

OLN AND ST THERESE'S GOSPEL REFLECTIONS GROUP

Parishioners and other interested people are invited to attend our weekly Gospel reflections session

PACE Meeting Room
Thursdays 10:30am

Weekly Meetings are held after 10:00am Mass on Thursdays for a short session (one hour maximum)

A great way to meet and engage with people who share a passion for scripture

Look at Sunday's Gospel with a focus on reflections written by His Holiness Pope Francis

Printed materials are provided to participants.

No need to book, just turn up for the session.

OLN & St Therese's MEN'S COFFEE GROUP

Upcoming Dates

3rd & 17th July

7th & 21 August

4th & 18th September

1st & 3rd
Wednesdays
of each month
from 10:45am
Lincoln Food Store
105 Lincoln Rd, Essendon



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| Saturday 22 June | World Refugee Week concludes | |
| Sunday 23 June | Parish Baptisms at St Therese's | 12:00pm |
| Monday 24 June | Statue of Our Lady moves to the Mazzarella family | |
| Tuesday 25 June | Alpha Session 8 in PACE Function Room | 7:00pm |
| Wednesday 26 June | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Journey Through Sadness Morning Tea in PACE | 9:00am 10:30am |
| Thursday 27 June | Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel reflections group in PACE meeting room | 9:30am 10:30am |
| Friday 28 June | Term 2 ends Requiem Mass for Patrick Considine at St Therese's | 11:30am |
| Weekend 29 & 30 June | Peter's Pence Appeal | |
| Sunday 30 June | Fr Tony Feeney Golden Jubilee Mass at St Therese's Men's Choir singing at 10:30am Mass | 10:30am |
| Monday 1 July | Statue of Our Lady moves to the Marchisella family | |
| Tuesday 2 July | Mass at Raelene Boyle Village Alpha Session 9 in PACE Function Room | 11:00am 7:00pm |
| Wednesday 3 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Men's Coffee Group at Lincoln Food Store (105 Lincoln Rd) | 9:00am 10:45am |
| Thursday 4 July | Gospel Reflections Group in PACE meeting room | 10:30am |
| Sunday 7 July | NAIDOC week begins Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday | |
| Monday 8 July | Statue of Our Lady moves to the McDermot family | |
| Tuesday 9 July | Alpha Session 10 in PACE Function Room | 7:00pm |
| Wednesday 10 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex | 9:00am |
| Thursday 11 July | Gospel Reflections Group in PACE meeting room | 10:30am |
| Weekend 13 & 14 July | Opening the Doors Foundation Appeal | |
| Sunday 14 July | NAIDOC week ends | |
| Monday 15 July | Term 3 commences Statue of Our Lady moves to the Stazko family | |
| Tuesday 16 July | Alpha Session 11 in PACE Function Room | 7:00pm |
| Wednesday 17 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Grandparents Mass at OLN (school Mass) Men's Coffee Group at Lincoln Food Store (105 Lincoln Rd) | 9:00am 9:00am 10:45am |
| Thursday 18 July | No Gospel Reflections Group Tiny Ts Playgroup in the Annex Winter Warmer Soup morning tea in PACE hosted by the SFG | 9:30am 10:30am (after Mass) |
| Sunday 21 July | Parish Morning Tea after 9:00am and 10:30am Mass at St Therese's Parish Morning Tea after 10:00am Mass at OLN Parish Baptism Welcoming Mass at St Therese's Parish Morning Tea after morning Masses at OLN | 10:30am 10:45am |

PARISH PRIEST Fr John Hannon

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ST THERESE'S CHURCH

48a Lincoln Rd, Essendon

Office email: essendon@cam.org.au **Website:** www.stthereses.org.au

Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am

Weekend Masses: Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:45pm

School: email info@stessendon.catholic.edu.au phone 9374 6100



OUR LADY OF THE NATIVITY CHURCH

31 Fawkner St, Aberfeldie

Office email: essendonwest@cam.org.au **Website:** <http://pol.org.au/essendonwest/Home.aspx>

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

School: email principal@olnaberfeldie.catholic.edu.au phone 9337 4204

St Vincent de Paul helpline: 1800 305 330 WEEKDAYS 10:00am-3:00pm

Our Parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country of the land on which our churches stand and recognize their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and to Elders past, present and emerging.