



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

8 & 9 June 2024: Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time



First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15 A reading from the book of Genesis

I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and her offspring.

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, 'Be accursed beyond all cattle, all wild beasts. You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust every day of your life. I will make you enemies of each other: you and the woman, your offspring and her offspring. It will crush your head and you will strike its heel.'

Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth. I will draw all to myself, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

It is the end of Satan.

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

INTERCESSIONS

God shows mercy to all who call on him. Let us pray for people in need.

That the Church will work in unity for the glory of God and be a sign of hope in our troubled world.

For all in our world who have lost sight of Christ: that through our prayers and our witness to Christ in our daily lives, they may find the one is the Way, the Truth and the Life

For all those who suffer sickness in mind and body: may we have compassionate eyes to see them as God's beloved.

We pray for peace in our world: may we all respond to God's grace to set aside enmity and violence and strive for a world of reconciliation and compassion.

For children throughout the world: may we cherish and protect them so they can grow in the confidence of knowing they are made in God's image and likeness.

We pray for those who are ill.

We pray for those who have died recently especially Giulia Papparone, Frank Galle and Catherine Jenkins; And for those we remember at this time, especially Maria Tripodi, Virgilio Giuffre, Joseph Doyle, Majorie Frilay, Pasquale Marchisella and Gwen Carroll.

Lord, 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? For this weekend (8 & 9 June) and the next (15 & 16 June) Fr Tony will say all Masses at OLN while Fr John says all Masses at St Therese's.

APPEALS



VINNIES WINTER APPEAL You can still give to our Vinnies Winter Appeal which funds the work of our Essendon SVDP Conference, supporting Companions across our two parishes. The focus of the Vinnies appeal this year is rising homelessness which is being driven by the nationwide housing affordability crisis. Funds raised through the Winter Appeal will support people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, and people struggling with poverty and cost-of-living pressures. Envelopes are available for donations. There will also be an additional 'leaving collection' where SVDP members will stand at exits at the conclusion of Mass to accept donations. Donations can also be made online at: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>
PLEASE NOTE: when donating online there is a Comments/Conference Name field at the bottom of the details page. Please add '176 - Essendon' here to ensure your donation comes to the Vinnies conference here in our local area. You can also call 13 18 12 to donate.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND Next week we'll hold Catholic Mission's appeal for Propagation of the Faith. This year, Catholic Care invites us to support the work of the Church in Mongolia as they provide a safe space for people needing shelter, beds, showers, food and basic medical care. In Mongolia, Chuluunbaatar suffered a life-altering injury while trying to rescue a submerged vehicle, leaving him unable to work and reliant on scarce support services for basic needs. Without shelter and food, Chuluunbaatar faces the real risk of freezing to death. Resources are limited, but the Church in Mongolia is working hard to provide essential services to people in need. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance to individuals like Chuluunbaatar. Learn more about Catholic Mission's work in Mongolia here: catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia

PARISH EVENTS

SPECIAL MASS SUNDAY 16 JUNE It will be a joyous celebration at 10:30am Mass at St Therese's next Sunday 16 June as we welcome siblings Amaaya and Aahil Saheed who will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of First Eucharist as well as our monthly Ritual of Welcoming at this Mass for children soon to be Baptised. We look forward to celebrating together as a faith community.

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. There are many people we know whose loss experience goes unattended. Loss comes in many ways, not only death. 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. Please RSVP to the parish office by 21 June.

FR TONY'S GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION In celebration of Fr Tony Feeney's Golden Jubilee we will hold a special Mass on Sunday 30 June at 10:30am followed by 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>

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

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 15 & 16 JUNE (WEEK 3)

MASS	READERS	EUCHARIST
OLN 5:00pm	Michael Portelli & Robyn Grima	Fred Grima
OLN 10:00am	Mark Donahoo	Adrian Commadeur
St Therese's 6.00pm	Murray Sykes	Tric Joseph
St Therese's 9.00am	John Harvey	Maria Cricri & Sofia Ganci
St Therese's 10.30am	Rosemary Patterson & Mary O'Brien	Cherrie Arnold & Therese Hanna

Adults: <https://sundayreadingsathomeyearb.weebly.com/th4g0h3lw.html>
 Children: <https://www.yearprayingwithchildren.org/s4m3j3l0>

IS THE BIBLE RELEVANT



WHY AND HOW DO I PRAY?

But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.
Matthew 6:6

- Pray for those who prayed the prayer to start a relationship with Jesus last week to continue exploring what that means in their daily life.
- Pray for strength, refreshment and a deepening relationship between guests, hosts and helpers.
- Pray that a discussion would open up about the role that prayer has played in their own life or how prayer can play a more significant role in future.
- Pray that guests would be inspired to pray on their own or with others after they leave this session.

WHAT DOES FAITH MEAN TO YOU?

We Pray

Tiny Ts Playgroup

Hosted by parents from
OLN & St Therese's Parishes

For children from infancy
through to primary school age

Indoor and outdoor covered
play areas - runs in all
weather conditions



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

PARISH GARDENING GROUP WINTER WORKING BEE

Saturday 15 June

9:00am

St Therese's

This winter's big project is
removing an overgrown hedge in
our Memorial Garden

Gardeners of all abilities are
welcome- there are still many
jobs to do in Winter

BYO gardening tools
Morning tea provided



PLEASE GIVE TO THE
ESSENDON PARISHES

annual Vinnies Winter appeal

PEOPLE LIKE LUKE
URGENTLY NEED YOUR HELP

Please use the Vinnies Winter Appeal envelopes if you
would like to contribute to the appeal.

You can also donate by calling 13 18 12 or online at
<https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>

In the Comments/Conference Name field add
'176 - Essendon' for donations to the St T's & OLN
conference so that funds are allocated here



PARISH CALENDAR

Monday 10 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday: Parish office closed Statue of Our Lady moves to the Pereira family	
Tuesday 11 June	Alpha Session 6 in PACE Function Room	7:00pm
Wednesday 12 June	Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex	9:00am
Thursday 13 June	Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel reflections group in PACE meeting room	9:30am 10:30am
Weekend 15 & 16 June	Propagation of the Faith Appeal (Catholic Mission)	
Saturday 16 June	Gardening Group Working Bee at St Therese's	9:00am
Sunday 16 June	World Refugee Week commences Parish Morning Tea after morning Masses at St Therese's Morning Tea after 10:00am Mass at OLN Baptism Welcoming Mass and Sacraments of Confirmation & First Eucharist for Saheed siblings at St Therese's Parish Morning Tea after morning Masses at OLN Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Group meeting	10:30am 10:45am 11:30am
Monday 17 June	Statue of Our Lady moves to the Rob family	
Wednesday 19 June	Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Men's Coffee Group at Lincoln Food Store (105 Lincoln Rd)	9:00am 10:45am
Tuesday 18 June	Alpha Session 7 in PACE Function Room	7:00pm
Thursday 20 June	No Gospel Reflections Group Tiny Ts Playgroup in the Annex Anointing Mass at St Therese's Morning tea in PACE hosted by the SFG	9:30am 10:00am 10:30am (after Mass)
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	
Weekend 29 & 30 June	Peter's Pence Appeal (Intentions of the Holy Father)	
Sunday 30 June	Fr Tony Feeney Golden Jubilee Mass at St Therese's	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

PARISH CONTACTS

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.*