



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



**6 & 7 July 2024: Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday – NAIDOC Week**



First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5 A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

INTERCESSIONS

Brothers and sisters, let us now bring our prayers before our loving God.

We pray for the Pope and the bishops: that they may live a life that overcomes the walls that divide humanity.

We pray for the retired priests of our Archdiocese. We pray with gratitude for their love and concern for us and for one another.

Let us open our hearts to the wisdom and spirituality of First Nations people.

For our school parishes children, their families and teachers: may they enjoy the winter term holidays, keep safe and come back refreshed for the third term of the year.

We pray for those who are ill especially Karyn Camiller, Victor Joseph and Palma Monardo.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially Lynda Freeman, Paul Hogan, Giulia Papparone, Frank Galle, Shirley Hallinan and Vincenzo Procida.

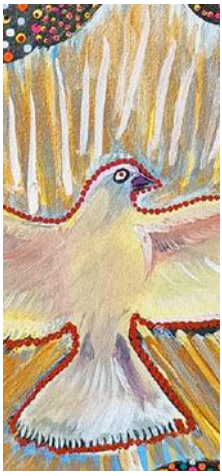
And for those whom we remember at this time, especially: William Fogarty, Tony Corcoran, John Conlan, Brian Mansbridge, Elizabeth Duff, Cecil & Dorothea Langwell, John Lacy, Patricia Fitzgerald, Frank Schembri, Frank Quattrone and Antonio & Teresa Barbaro.

Hear our prayers and guide and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY On the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we join the Australian Bishops and the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council in celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. As Australians, we are fortunate to share our home with the world's oldest continuing culture. On this day, we honour and acknowledge God's presence in the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, who have upheld their rich and diverse Cultural Traditions for thousands of years. We give thanks for the deep and enduring legacy of these ancient peoples and their contributions to our Continent. Let us also take a moment to recognise and appreciate the land on which our Parishes are situated and the people who have nurtured it over time. Together, let us continue to cultivate a spirit of unity and respect for all cultures and traditions within our community.

Pentecost painting by Magda Lee, Gracie Mosquito and Imelda Gugamen (Balgo Community)



NAIDOC WEEK (7-14 JULY) NAIDOC week is a time to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. The week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and to participate in celebration of the oldest, continuous living culture on earth. Check out the MVCC website for events in our local area <https://mvcc.vic.gov.au/naidoc-week-2024/>

OPENING THE DOORS FOUNDATION APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND Our annual appeal for the Opening The Doors Foundation (supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in seeking education of their choice) will be held next week. Your donation will support the next generation of Aboriginal leaders, thinkers and change agents to achieve their dreams. To learn more about Opening the Doors you can visit their website: <https://www.openingthedoors.org.au/>

HOW TO DONATE There will be Opening the Doors Appeal envelopes available at both churches which can be dropped in the collection plates or handed in to the parish office. If you'd like a Tax receipt you will need to use the envelopes and include your details. Receipts will be issued by OTDF, not the parish. For those who'd like to make a cash donation we will ask our collectors to stand at the doors for a 'leaving collection' after all Masses NEXT WEEKEND.

WHICH PRIEST WHERE? This weekend Fr John will say both Masses at OLN plus the 9am Sunday Mass at St Therese's while Fr Tony says Saturday 6:00pm and Sunday 10:30am Mass at St Therese's. Next weekend Fr Tony will say all Masses at OLN while Fr John says all Masses at St Therese's.

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

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 the second gathering of the group for morning tea in PACE on Wednesday 24 July at 10:30am. Friends are most welcome.

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 The [Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct](#) must be read and signed upon commencement with the parish. Volunteers are required to re-sign the Code of Conduct every three years, and clergy and employees are required to re-sign annually. You can sign the Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct through the online [Safeguarding Essentials Training platform](#) (without completing the training).

MINISTRY ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 13 7 14 JULY (WEEK 2)

MASS	READERS	EUCCHARIST
OLN 5:00pm	Georgina Kucera & John Harris	Kath Ferguson
OLN 10:00am	Gerald Mullen	Mark Donahoo
St Therese's 6.00pm	John O'Connor	Tony Proctor & Trish Giacomini
St Therese's 9.00am	Lynette Russo	Tony Belcastro & David Gloury
St Therese's 10.30am	Lucy Angelico	Rosa Pierorazio & Marg Moore

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

KAM IS BACK NEXT MONTH
SATURDAY 3 AUGUST
AT ST THERESE'S 6:00PM MASS



DATES FOR 2024

Saturday 3 August
Saturday 31 August & Saturday 30 November

Tiny Ts Playgroup

Hosted by parents from
OLN & St Therese's Parishes

For children from infant through to primary

Indoor and play

**ON A BREAK FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
BACK ON THURSDAY 18 JULY IN THE ANNEX**



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

Senior Friendship Group Winter Warmer

PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS
OF OUR PARISHES ARE
INVITED TO ATTEND

The Annual Winter Warmer
Thursday 18 July
at 10:30am

in
PACE FUNCTION ROOM

Delicious homemade soup
to warm the body and soul

All welcome

OLN & St Therese's MEN'S COFFEE GROUP

Upcoming Dates

17th July
7th & 21 August
4th & 18th September

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



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday 7 July	NAIDOC week begins Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday	
Monday 8 July	Statue of Our Lady moves to the McDermot family	
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	
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 morning Masses 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
Monday 22 July	Statue of Our Lady moves to the Nguyen family	
Wednesday 24 July	Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Journey Through Sadness Group Morning Tea in PACE	9:00am 10:30am
Thursday 25 July	Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel reflections group in PACE meeting room	9:30am 10:30am
Friday 26 July	School Mass for Grade 2 & 3 at St Therese's	10:00am
Sunday 28 July	World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Parish Baptisms at St Therese's	12:00pm
Monday 29 July	Statue of Our Lady moves to the Rosario family	
Wednesday 31 July	Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex	9:00am
Thursday 1 August	Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel reflections group in PACE meeting room	9:30am 10:30am
Friday 2 August	Grandparents Day school morning paraliturgy at St Therese's	9:05am
Saturday 3 August	Kids at Mass at St Therese's	6:00pm
Monday 5 August	Statue of Our Lady moves to the Grima family	
Tuesday 6 August	The Transfiguration of the Lord	
Wednesday 7 August	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 8 August	St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop) Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel reflections group in PACE meeting room	9:30am 10:30am

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.