



The Parish of Our Lady and St Therese, Essendon

6 July 2025: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

Responsorial Psalm: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12. 17-20 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Your peace will rest upon him.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

INTERCESSIONS

Brothers and sisters, with peace in our hearts, let us offer our prayers before the Lord.

That the Church will labour in God's vineyard with courage and perseverance.

For those who serve in positions of leadership: May they govern with courage, humility, and deep respect for every culture and all of God's creation, and make informed decisions that will bear fruit not just today, but for generations to come.

We pray God will continue to guide us to bridge the gap in cultural understanding with our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

For our Catholic Communities in Australia and around the world: That we may grow like the mighty tree — roots deep in faith, branches wide in welcome, sheltering all with strength, vision, and hope.

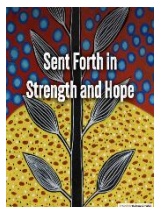
For those whose strength is challenged or failing: Help us be the healing hands and feet of Christ, walking gently beside them, offering hope where there is hurt, and light where there is fear.

We pray for those who are ill.

We pray for those who have died recently especially: Mary Hannabery, Brian Delaney, Alicia Assman and Francesco Pulitano. And for those whom we remember at this time, especially: William Fogarty, Teresa Conforti, John Conlan, Maureen Pearson, Antonio & Teresa Barbaro, Frank Quattrone and Maria Rosa Norello.

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

WHICH PRIEST WHERE This weekend Fr John will preside at all Masses at OLN as well as the 9:00am Mass on Sunday at St Therese's. Fr Tony will preside at Saturday 6:00pm and Sunday 10:30am Mass at St Therese's. Next weekend Fr John will preside at St Therese's Masses and Fr Tony will preside at OLN Masses.



ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY On the first Sunday of July each year, the Catholic Church in Australia observes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. On this day we gather as one to honour and celebrate the rich cultural heritage, spirituality and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our Church. This year's artwork is by PollyAnne Carter; "The seeds that fall on good ground are the people who hear and understand The Holy Spirit is located in the centre of the painting. It is the Spirit working in all of our communities. Creating this painting helped to make us strong in the Spirit."

NAIDOC WEEK celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories. This year's NAIDOC Week theme of 'The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy' directs us to celebrating not only the achievements of the past but the bright future ahead, empowered by the strength of our young leaders, the vision of our communities, and the legacy of our ancestors. <https://www.naidoc.org.au>

REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER We encourage all who participate in the worship, mission, and ministry of our parish community to officially register as a parishioner. Parish Registration forms are available on church entrance tables.

JOIN THE PARISH SUPPORT OFFERING PROGRAMME If you'd like to join in the Parish Support Programme with regular automatic payments, Parish Direct Debit Forms are available on church entrance tables.

CONTRIBUTE TO THE OLN SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE Generous parishioners have already donated \$3600 to the \$31,000 project and we'd be grateful for further financial contributions. If you would like to donate you can send cheques or make credit card payments via the parish office or make EFT payments to the parish account. **Account name:** The Parish of Our Lady and St Therese Essendon **BSB:** 083-347 **Account Number:** 67640 1701 and use the reference "OLN Sound" and your last name.

THINKING ABOUT VOLUNTEERING? We need to ensure that the right people volunteer and support vulnerable members of our congregation. We ensure this by requesting:

- a current and valid volunteer Victorian Working with Children check,
- completion of the Safeguarding Essentials online training every three years, and,
- reading and understanding the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Framework including signing the Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS Are made from wheat starch and water with a gluten content of 6.2 parts per million.

| APPEALS CALENDAR FOR REMAINDER OF 2025 | |
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| DATE | APPEAL/ OBSERVANCE |
| Postponed – new date TBC | Opening the Doors Foundation Appeal |
| 19 & 20 July | Propagation of the Faith: Catholic Mission Appeal |
| 17-31 August (3 weekends) | The Archbishop's Campaign |
| 4 & 5 October | Jubilee of Migrants: Refugee and Asylum Seeker Appeal |
| 1 st weekend in December | Christmas Appeal: St Vincent de Paul Society |

| MINISTRY ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 5 & 6 JULY (WEEK 1) | | |
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| MASS | READERS | EUCARIST |
| OLN 5:00pm | Georgina Kucera & John Harris | Kathy Ferguson |
| OLN 10:00am | Gerald Mullen | Mark Donahoo |
| St T's 6.00pm | John O'Connor | Tony Proctor |
| St T's 9.00am | Lynette Russo | Tony Belcastro & David Gloury |
| St T's 10.30am | Lucy Angelico | Rosa Pierorazio & Marg Moore |
| Adults: https://sundayreadingsathomeyearc.weebly.com/h1sks0t1.html | | |
| Children: https://www.childrensliturgyofthewordc.com/ych3rwjcm2.html | | |

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST THERESE
SAFEGUARDING
Volunteers must:

- Hold a current Working With Children Check and must list the parish as a place you volunteer
- Complete the CAM Safeguarding Essentials Training Certification every three years
- Acknowledge The Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct every three years

DOES THIS APPLY TO YOU?

YES

SCAN FOR DETAILS

Church Cleaning ~ Collector ~ Counter
 Data Projector Operator ~ Eucharistic Minister
 Finance Committee ~ Gardening ~ Kids at Mass
 Lector ~ Liturgy Team
 Maintenance ~ Men's Choir ~ Music Ministry
 Parish Leadership Team ~ Pastoral Visitation
 Play Group Leader (Tiny T's)
 Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Group
 Sacristan ~ Senior Friendship Group
 Special Projects ~ Wedding Helper ~ Welcoming Team

DO THE SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO YOU?
NO MATTER HOW YOU VOLUNTEER IN THE PARISH
THE ANSWER IS YES

To maintain accurate records ALL volunteers must be registered parishioners



**THE NEXT
GENERATION:
STRENGTH,
VISION &
LEGACY**
6-13 JULY 2025

Ancestral Lines by Jeremy Morgan Worrall

This artwork is a visual representation of the generational lines that carry through my mob, when I think of the next generation, I think towards my ancestors—my strength, from Wangi, Maria Wright—through to my Nanna Audie and my Mother Vanessa. Looking back gives me the strength and vision to look forward. Each figure in the painting is tied to family lines, like songlines, reflecting what they knew and what they passed on. The first represents love, hunting, and tracking. The second reflects care, weaving, and love. The third shows the two combined, while the final two carry unfinished elements—symbols of knowledge and care in motion. Above them sits the essence of Country—swirling skies and a giant moon over Innisfree. It is by the fire, under these cool skies where the next generation finds their strength, vision, and legacy.

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NAIDOC Week Mass Sunday 13 July 2025 at 11:00am
St Francis' Church, 326 Lonsdale St, Melbourne

Senior Friendship Group Morning Tea

PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS OF
OUR PARISH ARE INVITED TO

**A Mass of Anointing
Thursday 17 July**

at 10:00am

St Therese's Church

followed by

Morning Tea

in PACE Function Room

All welcome

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS GROUP

The Parish of Our Lady and St Therese

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.

**PACE is located at
48a Lincoln Rd, Essendon**

PARISH GARDENING GROUP PRUNING DAY

Saturday 26 July

9:00am

St Therese's

*It's the season for
PRUNING!*

*Join the gardening group at
St Therese's for a morning of
pruning and tidying up*

BYO gardening tools


*All welcome, especially green
thumbs!*

Morning tea provided



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| PARISH DIARY | Saturday 5 July | Men's Choir singing at OLN church | 5:00pm |
| | Sunday 6 July | Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday | |
| | Monday 7 July | Statue of Our Lady moves to the Stazko family | |
| | Tuesday 8 July | Requiem Mass for Mary Hannabery at St Therese's | 11:30am |
| | Wednesday 9 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Requiem Mass for Alicia Assmann at St Therese's | 9:00am 11:00am |
| | Thursday 10 July | Gospel Reflections in PACE Meeting Room Requiem Mass for Francesco Pulitano at St Therese's SVDP Regional Council meeting in PACE | 10:30am 11:00am 7:00pm |
| | Monday 14 July | Statue of Our Lady moves to the Rosario family | |
| | Tuesday 15 July | Liturgy of the Word replaces morning Mass at St Therese's | 10:00am |
| | Wednesday 16 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex Men's Coffee Group at Lincoln Food Store | 9:00am 10:45am |
| | Thursday 17 July | Mass of Anointing at St Therese's Senior Friendship Group morning tea in PACE | 10:00am 10:45am |
| | Weekend 19 & 20 July | Propagation of the Faith Appeal (Catholic Mission) | All Masses |
| | Sunday 20 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 | 10:30am |
| | Monday 21 July | First day of school term 3 SVDP Essendon Conference meeting in PACE | 7:00pm |
| | Tuesday 22 July | Mass at Ryman Raelene Boyle Village | 11:00am |
| | Wednesday 23 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex | 9:00am |
| | Thursday 24 July | Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel Reflections in PACE Meeting Room Mass at Arcadia Aged Care | 9:30am 10:30am 11:00am |
| | Friday 25 July | OLN school Mass for Grandparents | 9:00am |
| | Saturday 26 July | St Therese's Gardening Group Pruning morning | 9:00am |
| | Sunday 27 July | Parish Baptisms at St Therese's | 12:00pm |
| | Wednesday 30 July | Italian Prayer Group Meet in St Therese's Annex | 9:00am |
| | Thursday 31 July | Tiny Ts Playgroup in PACE Function Room Gospel Reflections in PACE Meeting Room | 9:30am 10:30am |
| | Saturday 2 August | Kids at Mass at St Therese's | 6:00pm |
| | Tuesday 5 August | Sharing Memories Group morning tea in the Annex | 10:30am |

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| MASSES | ST THERESE'S CHURCH 48a Lincoln Rd, Essendon Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am Weekend Masses: Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 9:00am & 10:30am Reconciliation: Saturday 5:45pm | OUR LADY OF THE NATIVITY CHURCH 31 Fawkner St, Aberfeldie Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am Reconciliation: Saturday 4:45pm |
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| PARISH CONTACTS | <p align="center">PARISH PRIEST Fr John Hannon</p> <p align="center">Office phone: 9401 6330 Office address: 48a Lincoln Rd, Essendon</p> <p align="center">Office email: essendon@cam.org.au Website: www.essendoncatholic.org.au</p> <p align="center">Office hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm</p> <p align="center">After-Hours phone: 0490 956 610 (answering service)</p> <p align="center">St Vincent de Paul Helpline: 1800 305 330 WEEKDAYS 10:00am–3:00pm</p> <p align="center">To subscribe to our newsletter go to the link below or use the QR code: https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/subscription?id=0012w00000LOj4wAAD&req=subscribe</p> <p align="center"><i>Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.</i></p> <p align="center"><i>We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land of the Kulin Nation who have walked upon and cared for this country for thousands of years. We pay our respect to them and their cultures and to Elders past, present and emerging.</i></p> |  |
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