

THE AFFILIATED PARISHES OF ST TERESA OF KOLKATA PARISH and KEW PARISH

Third Sunday of Lent – Year A | 8 March 2026

Kew Parish Office: G2/1 Princess Street, Kew
Office Hours: Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm
Thursday & Friday 9:30am – 2:30pm
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Churches of St Teresa of Kolkata Parish:

St Anne's – Cnr Beresford St & Windella Ave, Kew East
St Joachim's – Cnr Barnard Grove & Peel St, Kew North
St Bede's – 1 Severn Street, Balwyn North
St Bridget's – 48 Sweyn Street, Greythorn

Sacred Heart Parish:

Sacred Heart – 116 Cotham Road, Kew

Safety of Children & all Vulnerable People: We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish. The Parish Statement of Commitment and Reporting Process are on display in all churches and all Parish Policies are available on the website.

Please remember in your prayer:

Death Anniversary: Margaret Pereira

Unwell: James May, Stephanie Purra, Michael Tymms, Albert Leung, Sam Siracusa, Rosa Cimino
Names submitted for prayers for the sick must have the approval of the person named.



Working Bee
Saturday, 28 March from 11AM

Our church home is a place of worship, laughter, and community—and it's time for a little TLC! Whether you're super with a shammy or a wizard with a weed-whacker, we need your hands!

Bring along your favourite gardening gloves or just yourself!
All ages welcome!

And we're firing up the BBQ for a sausage sizzle!

Please wear sturdy shoes and sun protection.
Some tools and equipment will be provided, but please feel free to bring your own!

(We need a tall ladder if anyone has one please 😊)
Let's Make Our House Shine!

Project Compassion

This Lent, we are called to *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion.

Your generosity this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need.



Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code.

Or online at:

www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* this Lent.

MASS AND LITURGY TIMES THIS WEEK: 10 MARCH – 15 MARCH 2026

	Tuesday 10 Mar	Wednesday 11 Mar	Thursday 12 Mar	Friday 13 Mar	Saturday 14 Mar	Sunday 15 Mar
St Anne					<i>Reconciliation:</i> 4:30pm Vigil: 5:00pm	9:30am
St Bede	No Morning Mass		9:15am	9:15am	<i>Reconciliation:</i> 5:00pm Vigil: 5:30pm	9am 11:00am
St Bridget						10.30am
St Joachim		9:15am				
Sacred Heart	9:15am			9:15am	9:00am <i>Reconciliation:</i> 9:30am Vigil: 6:00pm	9:30am

On TUESDAY 10th MARCH there will be NO ACCESS to St Bede's Church due to work in church. There will be NO MORNING MASS on this day.

READINGS : 8 MARCH 2026

First Sunday of Lent – Year A



First Reading: Exodus 17: 3-7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 94: 1-2, 6-9

R/Sung: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8

Gospel Acclamation: Jn 4: 42,15

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;
Give me living water, that I shall never thirst again.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: John 4: 5-42

Melbourne Synod 2026

On the third Sunday of Lent, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will formally convoke a Synod for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The synod calls the Melbourne Church to journey together in communion, participation and mission, echoing Pope Francis' vision of a 'listening Church' (Evangelii Gaudium, §31). Informed by Vatican II's teaching, the Church is 'a people made one with the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit' (Lumen Gentium, §4).

There are three themes about which the church of Melbourne is being invited to discern:

- young discipleship
- missionary leadership
- formation and participation.

The synod assembly will be held across the weekend of 4–6 December 2026. Over these next months, a range of opportunities will be available for Melbourne Catholics to be part of the consultation process toward the synod.

In the meantime, further information can be accessed at melbournecatholic.org/synod2026.

In the synodal Church 'the whole community, in the free and rich diversity of its members, is called together to pray, listen, analyse, dialogue, discern and offer advice on taking pastoral decisions (ITC 68) for mission' (Final Document, §87).