Good morning!

Last Monday we set up the Reflection Prayer Space in the area around the front of the church at Meldrum. If you have managed to visit, I hope you found it worthwhile. It will be there until further notice, so please do take the opportunity to walk up and spend some time there.

Yesterday was the summer solstice - the longest day of the year, so I suppose I would be correct in commenting 'the nights are drawing in'! Hopefully it will be a while before we notice the days starting to get shorter. By then we will, I pray, have enjoyed a summer of warm weather and managed to get to see family and friends again in a more normal way.

Today is also Father's Day. The day of the year when we each think of our own father. Thankfully, for most people these thoughts will be loving and the memories good. If you will have the joy of seeing your father today then perhaps there will be presents and cards, although possibly not a hug this year. If your father is no longer with us, then I pray you find space in the day to think about him and cherish his memory. However, I also understand that for others the thought of celebrating or being thankful for a father who has not been there, or has been abusive or controlling, is just not possible. For them Father's Day might simply remind them of what they missed. But we do all share one perfect Father. Our Heavenly Father who loves each one of us, His precious children. Talking to Him, and thanking Him for his goodness is hopefully something we do every day, and not just once a year. However you will be thinking of your own father today, whether with happiness or sorrow, with love or with indifference, know that God your Father loves you and is with you today, tomorrow and forever.

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