

# PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP,

# RINGWOOD

1920 - 2020

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS** 

**Entrusting our celebrations to the Patronage of Our Lady of Perpetual Help** On the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – the Parish Celebrations of the Solemnity of Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Fr Tony presented to the Parish our new icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. In blessing this new icon, he named it *Our Lady of Perpetual Help of Ringwood*. The icon was written by Geoffrey Horgan SC.

In presenting and blessing this icon, all of our Centenary celebrations were entrusted to the patronage of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.



#### Major Events 2019 - 2020

#### Sunday 15th December 2019

Launch of Centenary Celebrations & Celebration of Fr Tony Doran's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday

> 11.00am Mass 12.00pm BBQ Lunch

#### Sunday 29th March 2020

Mass at "St Jumbo's": Heathmont Preschool and Kindergarten

#### May 2020

Month of May, Month of Marian Spirituality

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020 OLPH 100 Centenary Mass

Principal Celebration: Most Reverend Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne

#### Friday 4th – Friday 25th September 2020

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan & Israel With Optional Aegean Cruise & Ephesus Extension

> October 2020 Month of October, Month of the Rosary

#### Sunday 13th December 2020

Close of Centenary Celebrations

11.00am Mass 12.00pm BBQ Lunch

#### Mass at "St Jumbo's": Sunday 29th March @ 2.30pm

For a number of years in the 1970s and 1980s, regular Parish Masses were celebrated on Sundays at Heathmont Preschool and Kindergarten, affectionately known as "St Jumbo's", from the picture of the elephant which was on the wall behind the altar.

Many parishioners from the Heathmont part of the Parish celebrated significant family occasions such as Baptisms and First Holy Communions at St Jumbo's.

The President and Committee of Heathmont Preschool and Kindergarten have kindly allowed us to celebrate a special Mass at St Jumbo's as part of our Centenary Celebrations.

Afternoon Tea will follow at the conclusion of Mass.



May 2020: Month of May, Month of Mary

#### Marian Spirituality: Evening Prayer Lecture Series

A year of Centenary celebrations is an opportunity for us to deepen our love of Mary, our Mother of Perpetual Help. To help us do this, we have decided to dedicate the two months traditionally associated with Mary – May and October – as our Months of Marian Spirituality.

In Our Month of Marian Spirituality in May, we will have an Evening Prayer Lecture Series, focussing on different aspects of Marian spirituality. The format of the evenings will be:

•	7.00pm	Evening Prayer
•	7.30pm	Lecture
•	8.15pm	Supper
•	8.30pm	Night Prayer

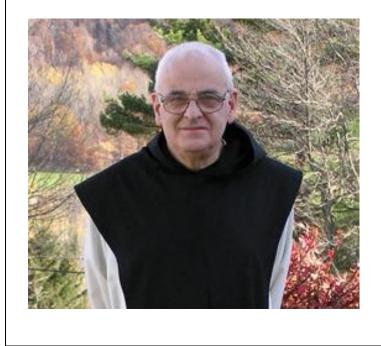
The programme of lectures and speakers is as follows:

#### Tuesday 5th May – Mary in East and West



**Dr Birute Arendarcikas** is a religious of the Sisters of Mercy (RSM). She is a lecturer and Head of Department in Systematic Theology at Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity, in Melbourne, and is the Pastoral Associate at the Russian Byzantine Catholic Church in St Kilda East, Melbourne

#### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Mary: One of Us



Michael Casey was born at *The Pines* Ringwood, while the family was living in Warrandyte. After schooling with the Marist Brothers, he entered the Monastery Cistercian of Tarrawarra in 1960, and was ordained in 1968. He did further studies at Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven (Belgium) and at Melbourne College of Divinity. Since that time, he has been occupied in giving courses and writing with over a dozen books and more than 100 articles He published. is also the monastery tailor.

#### Tuesday 19th May – The Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Ringwood



Geoffrey Horgan was a criminal barrister until he retired several years ago. He has had a life-long interest in early Church and Byzantine painting. He has painted icons and murals over the years in a number of Catholic and Orthodox churches in Melbourne, country Victoria and interstate. Several years ago, he studied in England and Bethlehem – under well-known masters - various techniques in iconography and has travelled extensively pursuing his Prominent amongst interest. Geoffrey's work are the two large panels on either side of the western entrance of St. Patrick's Cathedral. Recent examples of his work will be found in parish churches in Bulleen and Surrey Hills. All Geoffrey's work is in the egg tempera technique applied to plaster known as "gesso", the universal painting technique used until the 1500s.

#### Tuesday 19th May – Love Beyond All Telling: Mary in the Liturgy



Anthony Doran is priest of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, and the current Parish Priest of Ringwood. Prior to entering the seminary, Anthony was a secondary school teacher, teaching in country and suburban schools in Victoria. Ordained in 2003, he has held various appointments in suburban and country parishes. He completed further studies in Liturgy, focussing on the Rite of Dedication of a Church. He has written for Liturgy News, The Summit and The Australian Journal of Liturgy. He is the immediate Past President of the Australian Academy of Liturgy, and a member of Societas Liturgica, the international society for liturgical study and renewal.



#### **Centenary Mass**

We will celebrate a special Centenary Mass on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020. This is the Sunday closest to the feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help (27<sup>th</sup> June). It will be an opportunity to give thanks to God for the last 100 years of life in our Parish, and an opportunity to give thanks for those women and men who built our Parish in the beginning and those who call Our Lady's home in this day.

The Principal Celebrant of the Mass will be the Archbishop of Melbourne, the Most Reverend Peter A Comensoli.



#### Friday 4<sup>th</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan & Israel *With Optional Aegean Cruise & Ephesus Extension*

In 2020, the Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Ringwood celebrates 100 years of being a living witness to our faith. As part of our Centenary celebrations, you are invited to join our pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan & Israel. You will have the chance to walk the roads, visit the villages and see the countryside seen by Jesus and his first disciples, in company with his mother Mary. We'll visit and pray in the places so familiar to us from the pages of Sacred Scripture: Bethlehem, Calvary, Galilee, Nazareth, Cana, Caesarea Philippi, Emmaus, the Mount of Olives, Jerusalem. We'll pray in the places where Jesus prayed, we'll celebrate Mass at places as diverse as the Mount of the Beatitudes and the Church of the Annunciation. At Cana, there'll be an opportunity to renew wedding vows. We'll see the archaeological wonders of Petra, Qumran, and the Dead Sea. Please consider extending as we set sail across the Aegean in St Paul's Footsteps to see Ephesus, Patmos, Corinth and Ancient Athens. *Come and join us as we walk this pilgrimage of faith with Jesus and Mary!* 

The pilgrimage package has been prepared by Steven Green of Olive Tree Travel. Steven is a specialist in this field of work and has done a superb job in preparing an itinerary which we will find both enriching and spiritually nourishing.

There are still some places left! You are warmly invited to join Fr Tony and other parishioners of Ringwood on this unique experience of prayer and pilgrimage. For a detailed itinerary and registration form, please contact Fr Tony 9870 6056 or Michelle at Olive Tree Travel <u>michelle@olivetreetravel.com.au</u>



#### October 2020 Month of October, Month of the Rosary Marian Spirituality & Scripture Study

In our Month of Marian Spirituality in October, we will focus on the Rosary.

Building on the solid foundations we have established in studying scripture in the last year, there will be an opportunity for parishioners to focus on the Scriptural backgrounds to the Mysteries of the Rosary, using the programme *Holy Mary, Holy Bible: Sacred Scripture and the Mysteries of the Rosary*, part of the Little Rock Scripture Study series from the Diocese of Little Rock, Arkansas.

#### Programme:

• Week 1	beginning Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	The Joyful Mysteries
• Week 2	beginning Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	The Mysteries of Light
• Week 3	beginning Mon 19th	The Sorrowful Mysteries
• Week 4	beginning Mon 26th	The Glorious Mysteries



### **Further Information**

Further information on all of these events can be obtained by contacting the Parish Office.

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## Collect from the Mass of Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Lord Jesus Christ, you have given us your own Mother Mary, whose wonderful image we venerate, to be our Mother ever ready to help us.

Grant, we beseech you, that we who continually seek her motherly aid may be found worthy to enjoy unceasingly the fruit of your redemption.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.