

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, Christmas

25 December 2022—Year A

Parish Information Parish Priest

Fr Dispin John
Assisted by
Fr Michael Kelly CSsR
Fr Len Size (retired)

Deacon

Rev. Phil King Philip.King@cam.org.au

> Parish Catechist Kaye Clancy

Pastoral Care Worker

Loredana Iacobucci

Parish Secretary

Janine Meades Office hours Mon, Tues, Fri 9:30-2:30

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5pm Sunday 9:30am

Week Day Masses

Tuesday 6:00pm Mass and Novena Thursday 9:15 am First Thursday of the Month 11:00 Anointing &Healing Mass

Liturgy of the Word & Communion

Wednesday 9:15 am Friday 9:15 am

Confessions

Thursday 9:45 am

Baptism

Please contact the office.

Weddings

Please contact the office.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

Acting Principal: Lis Thompson admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au 2 Wilana Street, Ringwood

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In the darkness, a light shines.

An angel appears, the glory of the Lord shines around the shepherds and finally the message awaited for centuries is heard:

"To you is born this day a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord"

... That is the sign: a child, a baby lying in the dire poverty of a manger.

No more bright lights or choirs of angels.

Only a child. Nothing else, even as Isaiah had foretold: "unto us a child is born".

HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS, St Peter's Basilica, Friday, 24 December 2021

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families, and loved ones who care for them: Peter Harris, Carmel Vandersman

For those who have died recently

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time

For those who are in our thoughts at this time: Cyril Antao

No weekday masses between Christmas –New Year and first week of January

The Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Ringwood is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY @ OUR LADY'S

"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18

"Pray for one another, that you may be healed" (James 5:16).

For prayer requests, please call Loredana 0423 313 336 or contact the Parish Office.

Almighty God, who has poured upon us the new light of Your Incarnate Word;
Grant that the same light enkindled in our hearts may shine forth in our lives through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

1 Our Father 3 Hail Mary 1 Glory

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

Dear Parishioners,

Pastoral care is available @ Our Lady's, if you or someone you know would like to have a chat, please don't hesitate to call me on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au. God bless Loredana

Parish Catechist- Kaye Clancy

For sacramental preparations for those not attending the Parish School, please contract Kaye via email Kaye.clancy@cam.org.au

Children's Liturgy—Sunday 9:30am Mass

Each Sunday during the school term. All school age children are welcome to attend.

1st Sunday of the Month

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—January 22

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm Filipino Mass: 4:00pm

Morning Tea

Why not stay awhile and find someone you haven't met yet? A good way to grow our community after 9:30 mass.

Morning tea will resume in 2023

24/25 December 2022

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, Christmas

Stewardship Corner

"And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us..."John 1:14

God made us to be in relationship with Him. He loves each of us individually. Through sin, our relationship with God was broken. He gave us Jesus to restore our relationship. Being a disciple of Jesus we are given the model to obtain eternal life in Heaven. Christmas isn't about the material gifts we receive, it's about the love that God, Our Father, gave us by giving us His Son, Jesus – the best gift we could ever receive.

Parish Ministries

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm Jennifer Tolcher

Matt Giuliano

Sunday 9:30 am Lyn Crane

Jim Fuller

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm Diane Wood

Margaret Roper

Sunday 9:30 am Jim Corcoran

Paula Corcoran Tess Repalust

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm Guitar Group

Laptop: Blade Platt

Saturday 8:00pm Christian Gunawan & Singers

Laptop: Matt Giuliana

Sunday 9:30 am Our Lady's Singers

Laptop: Bob Munro

SVDP Christmas Appeal—Thank you!

Our conference has ended the year on a high note, we have distributed over 80 boxes, and around 50 Christmas bags for children, with every item donated. The response to our appeal was amazing: the support from Deacon Phil and Fr. Dispin acknowledging what we do and asking all Parishioners to donate and open their hearts to the needy. Our Grateful thanks.

We received money, some of which went towards filling Christmas boxes. Our biggest concern was for children of single mothers. We have used all food vouchers from SVDP to add to the gifts which totaled \$5,000.

I would like to thank Our Lady's School, especially Lis Thompson, Ringwood Junior High School, (Kathryn Mahoney) Aquinas College for toys



and gift vouchers, Officeworks, Michael Sukkar for a hamper, Philip Webb for 5 hampers of food, and to all our members, our families, and especially those who delivered the gifts.

Raffle results:

1st Prize Margaret Ryan.

2nd Prize Regina Nedza

3rd Prize Marie Snell

May Christmas fill your hearts and home with love and joy, now and throughout the coming year.

Rosemary. SVDP Ringwood Our Lady's Conference

31 Dec/1 January 2023

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Readings

Num 6:22-27 Ps 66: 2-3, 5, 6, Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

Stewardship Corner

"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." LUKE 2:19

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. She heard God's message, and immediately said "yes." Mary teaches us to live with joy and gratitude for the many blessings God has given us. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world. We do this through lives of gratitude and generosity.

Parish Ministries

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am Frank O'Connor

Julie Zaar

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm Jennifer de Korte

Sunday 9:30 am Jim Fuller

Bob Munro

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm Laptop: Maureen Platt

Sunday 9:30 am Rohan Smith

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

7/8 January 2023

Epiphany of the Lord

Readings

Is 60:1-6
Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Eph 3:2-3, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

Stewardship Corner

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

Parish Ministries

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm Diane Wood Christian Gunawan

Sunday 9:30 am

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm Carmel Risson

Sunday 9:30 am Peter Cleary

Breeda Cleary

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm Laptop: Matt Giuliano Sunday 9:30 am Our Lady's Singers Laptop: Bob Munro

Morning services and weekday Masses resume second week of January

Our Lady's Table Tennis Resumes Monday 9 January

Feel like a game of table tennis? Come along by yourself or bring a friend or two and join in the fun on Monday 10-12 in the Parish Hall. Wear appropriate footwear and bring your vaccine certificate. We provide equipment and a cuppa. You give us \$3 and energy. New players welcome.

14/15 January 2023

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Is 49: 3, 5-6 Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34

Stewardship Corner

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." Isaiah 49:5

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be. Parish Ministries

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am Angela Lacey

Kerry Peterson

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm Margaret Roper

Sunday 9:30 am Kath McCrae

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm Piano- Christian Gunawan

Laptop: Bob Munro

Sunday 9:30 am

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Readings Next Week 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23-9:3 Ps 26:1, 4, 13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4: 12-23

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month

Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham

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Weekday Masses

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00a.m.

Weekend Mass Times

Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun 8:30am, 9:45am, 11:15am, 5pm

Venue hire-St Johns

Call Manuela at St John's Parish Office for more information.

https://stjohnsmitcham.com.au/venue-hire

Christian Meditatio

We meditate fortnightly. You are most welcome to join us. No experience needed. Free of charge. If you are interested in deepening your spirituality, or want to strengthen your connection to God, you must try this. To indicate your interest or for any enquiries: Chris Ryan at the Parish Office, 9401 6366. Or simply turn up on the night. Looking forward to seeing you!

House of Books

Finished your 'to be read pile'! Looking for a good book to read? Visit the House of Books, located at 508 Whitehorse Rd, Mitcham, next to St. John's Church.

All books, CD's and DVD's have been donated and there are books for every taste, including fiction and non-fiction and an extensive children's section. Prices generally range from \$1-\$5.

The Bookshop is open from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 1pm on Saturdays.

St Vincent de Paul

For welfare enquiries please call Vinnies on 1800 305 330 Mon-Fri 10am –3pm

Piety Stall Opened:

After 5:00pm Mass Saturday night and after 9:30 am Mass Sunday.

Before and after the Zomi and Filipino Masses held on 4th Sunday of the Month.

If we do not have what you are looking for, please advise, we are more than happy to order requests.