## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 25(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

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## Pastoral Care Worker Loredana Jacobucci

## **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

## 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**

Principal: Jenny Rohan
<a href="mailto:admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au">admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au</a>
2 Wilana Street, Ringwood
98707227

# The icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help represents the Christian mystery of Redemption.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help is a Byzantine icon that is believed to have its origin sometime during the 13th -15th century. The image is also known as "Our Lady of Perpetual Succour." The icon is known for being miraculous; over the centuries countless healings and special graces have been attributed to it, so much so that the image has been honoured and venerated by many Popes.

The miraculous icon is painted on wood and measures about 20" in height (54 x 41.5 centimetres) and depicts the Virgin Mary, under the title "Mother of God," holding the Child Jesus.

The Archangels Michael and Gabriel, hovering in the upper corners, hold the instruments of the Passion. St. Michael (in the left corner) holds the spear, the wine-soaked sponge, and the crown of thorns. St. Gabriel (in the right corner) holds the cross and the nails.

The intent of the artist was to portray the Child Jesus contemplating the vision of His future Passion. Frightened by the vision, he runs to his mother for consolation. The anguish He feels is shown by the loss of one of His sandals as he quickly flees into the arms of his Mother.

Despite a foreboding vision of suffering, the icon also conveys the triumph of Christ over sin and death, symbolized by the golden background as a sign of the glory of the resurrection. The royal crowns on the heads of Jesus and Mary also symbolize their triumph as the King of Kings with his Queen Mother.

In a very beautiful way, the Child Jesus grasps the hand of the Blessed Mother. He seeks comfort from His mother as He sees the instruments of His passion. The position of Mary's hands – both holding the Child Jesus (who seems like a small adult) and at the same time presenting Him to us – convey the reality of our Lord's incarnation, that He is true God who became also true man.

https://www.catholiccompany.com/the-meaning-behind-the-our-lady-of-perpetual-help-icon/

### Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families and loved ones who care for them: Peter Harris, Diane Wood, Jenine Foster, Kevin Nix

For those who have died recently

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Desmond Moylan, Desmond Fennell, Bertram Clottie, Doris De Silva

## **Readings next Week**

# 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16 Ps 88:2-3, 16-19 Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

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

#### Parish Ministries June 24/25

#### Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm Jennifer Tolcher

Matthew Giuliano

Sunday 9:30 am Lyn Crane

Jim Fuller

#### **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**

Saturday 5:00 pm Margaret Roper

Sunday 9:30 am Jim Corcoran

Paula Corcoran Tess Repalust

#### **Music Ministry**

Saturday 5:00pm

Laptop: Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30 am Our Lady's Singers

Laptop: Bob Munro

## **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 <a href="mailto:loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au">loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au</a>. 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—July 2

Polish Mass 8:00am

## 4th Sunday of the Month—June 25

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.

July 2—Team 3 July 16—Team 4

## Celebrating Our Lady's Feast Day in the Parish

Our Lady's Feast Day falls on the 27th June and we are celebrating in church on the weekend after (1st and 2nd July). Expect to linger after 9.30 Mass have a cuppa, purchase something delicious from the cake stall being held to raise funds towards the renovation fund and enjoy watching a visual expo of the history of the Parish. Watch out! You may see yourself.

The 100 year booklet will be available @\$5. Cash only. Sorry. It would be lovely to see you and your families there.

#### **Office Hours**

Janine will be out of the office from 27 June for knee surgery. She will then be working from home until further notice

## **Piety Stall**

At this stage the Piety Stall does not have access to Eftpos so is only accepting cash payments

## **Tea-Trolly Request**

The piety stall is looking for a tea trolly if anyone has one lying around they would like to donate. Speak to the people in the piety stall.

## **Renovation Fundraising Update**

I think everybody agrees the church looks a lot better. Thank you to everybody who has contributed so far. We are about a third of the way there. Thanks to a generous donation of \$7000 we have raised \$45217. (See chart on the doors.) There are boxes in the narthex for donations. More fundraising opportunities are coming up and ideas are welcome! Ingrid & Parish Council

Contribute by Direct Debit to our **Repair and Maintenance Account: BSB 083 347 Account 534233044** and put your surname in reference line OR Envelopes are available if you would like to contribute by cash/cheque.

## **SVDP WINTER APPEAL 2023**

This month of June, SVDP are appealing for your help: please, donate whatever you can afford. A message from our State President reported that at the BOX HILL Call Centre the phones are running off the hook. The desperation in the community seems to be growing weekly for those in need. We have all been affected by price rises in food, rent, petrol, etc. And now the rise in homeless families is growing across the state. Thank you for your generosity in past years, you have always supported SVDP and our Conference in Ringwood.

#### Special Collection This Weekend—Peter's Pence

The Peter's Pence Collection is traditionally taken up throughout Catholic parishes around the world either on 29 June, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, or on the Sunday closest to this Solemnity. This collection helps provide the Holy Father with funds for emergency assistance to those in need. The proceeds enable Pope Francis to assist the most disadvantaged in emergency situations including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Thank you for your generosity.

## **Our Lady's Table Tennis**

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. We provide equipment and a cuppa. You give us \$3 and energy. New players welcome.

#### **Pews for Sale**

As planning for the Our Lady's Ringwood continues, we are offering 20 pews for sale (6' 3") and will be sold for \$300. If you would like to put in a request for one, please contact the Parish Office ringwood@cam.org.au Sale of pews adds to the renovation fund.

## New to the Parish?

Please fill out a parish census card available in the Narthex and return to the office. Also you might like to consider participating in the Stewardship Program—forms available.

#### The Janssen Spirituality Centre

Offer Prayer and meditation programs based on interfaith sharing, Christian meditation, adult formation and contemplative spirituality. For more information visit:

https://www.janssencentre.org/about-jsc email enquiries@janssencentre.org or phone 9762 6625.

## **Child Safety**

The Child Safety Officers (in high-vis vests) should be a first point of contact for any concerns regarding child safety. Remember we ask that children be accompanied by a parent or older sibling when they leave the church to go to the toilet in the Narthex

## Dates to remember

Child Protection Week (Safeguarding Sunday): 5–11

September

Children's Week: 21-29 October

## **Eastern Food Rescue Ringwood**

Eastern Food Rescue has moved from Mitcham to Ringwood and is now in the Salvation Army grounds off Wantirna Road (entry City Road). There is an abundance of food; bread, fruit and vegetables, eggs etc. Every day there are fresh deliveries from suppliers that would normally be sent to landfill. Thanks to the many volunteers who work hard to avoid this happening and ensure that the food goes to people in need. This is a non-denominational service with the Salvation Army kindly providing the grounds. There is off street parking, the food is free: a gold coin donation would be appreciated but wont be asked for.

Open 7days a week from 11:30 and 5 nights (not open Saturday or Sunday evenings).

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Oceans are the friendliest bodies of water. They always greet you with a wave.

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Two wind turbines sit in the ocean.

One turns to the other and asks, "What music do you listen to?"

The second one says. "I'm a massive heavy metal fan."

#### 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.

#### Lord You are my rock

Lord You are my rock, the hand that has created the world we live in.

Lord You are my rock, the God who loves all His children in the world.

Lord You are my rock, the God who is love, glory and mercy.

Lord You are my rock, I praise and worship Your holy name.

Lord You are my rock, I pray to You, my Lord. Amen
(Anonymous St John's parishioner)



## **Stewardship Corner**

"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." MATTHEW 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

## **Supporting the Parish**

Through the Stewardship Program, parishioners are asked to pledge a weekly/monthly amount to the upkeep of the parish. This allows the parish to pay utility bills, insurance premiums, Archdiocese levies, purchase church supplies and pay staff wages. This amount is given as the "Thanksgiving Offering" and placed in the appropriate envelope or given as a direct debit. The 'Presbytery Offering' along with any loose cash contributes to the support of the Parish Priest. A percentage of the Presbytery collection is also required to be sent quarterly to the Archdiocese. Become part of the Stewardship Program, please contact the office for further information on how this can be done or click the clink below to take you to CDFPAY and choose how you wish to support the parish.

## to support our parish click HERE.

Please nominate where you wish your support to go.

## **Parish Meetings**

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month Time Out: Third Wednesday of Month 12 noon

## **Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham**

Phone: 03 9401 6366 or 0402 330 128

Email: Mitcham@cam.org.au

Website: www.stjohnsmitcham.com.au

## **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 Meditation**

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.

## **CASH ONLY**

Eastern Emergency Relief Centre: 9877 0066.