



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

July 30

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

Liturgy of the Word & Communion

Wednesday 9:15 am
Friday 9:15 am

Confessions

Thursday 9:45 am

Baptism

Please contact the office.

Weddings

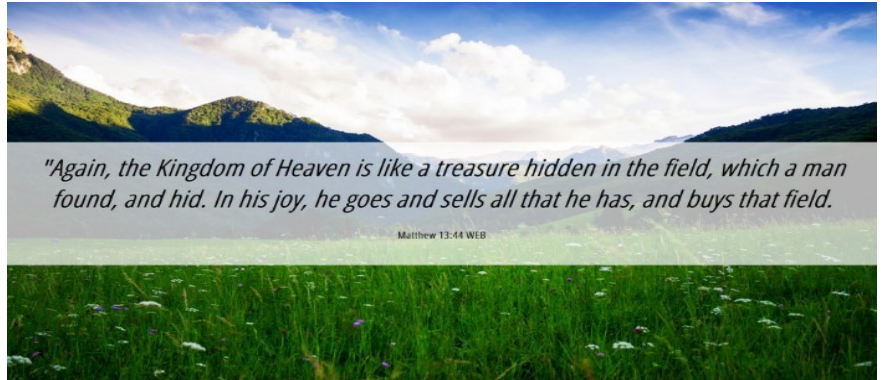
Please contact the office.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

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Matthew 13:44-52 (shorter form: Matthew 13:44-46)

Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven.



"Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found, and hid. In his joy, he goes and sells all that he has, and buys that field."

Matthew 13:44 WEB

Finding a Treasure

A treasure is not something we earn but something we find. We can spend a lot of our lives wishing and hoping that some treasure will come our way. We can forget that we already possess wonderful treasure in our loved ones and the gift of life itself. And the greatest treasure of all is the kingdom of heaven which Jesus freely offers to us. May we have the wisdom to seek out the treasure in God, and not in the glittering goods of the passing world.

Family Connection

Like the person who found the buried treasure and the merchant who acquired the pearl of great price, we seek to find the signs of the kingdom of heaven in our lives. In fact, we even work to bring about God's kingdom in our actions and in our words. We pray that our family values reflect our pursuit of the kingdom of heaven.

As you gather as a family, talk about what your family values. Make a list together of those things that your family considers most important, such as family, friends, faith, trust, and love. In these parables, Jesus teaches us that it is worth giving up even valuable things in order to possess the kingdom of heaven. Look at the list your family made and talk about how these things are important to the kingdom of heaven. What has your family given up to make these values important in your life? Pray together for God's kingdom by praying the Lord's Prayer.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/17th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-a-sunday-connection/>

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: Nancy Isabell Stafford.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Arthur & Ida Azavedo

Readings next Week

Transfiguration of the Lord

Dan 7:9-10, 13-14

Ps 96: 1-2, 5-6, 9

2 Pet 1:16-19

Mt 17:1-9

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 July 29/30

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm John Norona
Sunday 9:30 am Allan Jones

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00pm Laptop: Maureen Platt
Sunday 9:30 am Zomi Choir
Laptop: Zomi Choir

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 contact 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—August 6

Polish Mass 8:00am
Zomi Community 12:00pm

4th Sunday of the Month—July 23

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.

August 6—Team 1
August 20—Team 2



Healing Mass

The "Healing Mass" first Thursday of the month at 9:15.

100 Year Booklet

Booklet will be available @\$5 at the Piety Stall or the Parish Office. Cash only, sorry.

100th Anniversary Video

If anyone would like to obtain a copy of the video that is running on the TV in the narthex, then please bring a USB stick with 3.4GB free. After Mass, take it to the PowerPoint operator who will copy it from the laptop to your USB.

Renovation Fundraising Update

We are about half way there, with \$49633 in funds raised. (See chart on the doors.) There are boxes in the narthex for donations or contribute by Direct Debit to our **Repair and Maintenance Account: BSB 083 347 Account 534233044** use surname as reference. Envelopes are available if you would like to contribute by cash/cheque.

Polish Community Cake Stall—6 August

All funds go towards the Church renovations

Trivia Night - Saturday 26 August

Come one, come all and enjoy quizzes, games and fun. 6:30pm for a 7pm start in the Parish Hall. Tickets \$10 each, children under 10 free.

Our Lady's Fete 2023

The 2023 Our Lady's Fete is only three months away and we are still seeking a Stall Coordinator to run the Rides and Chips stalls. If you are able to assist, please contact Midge Phillips, our Stallholder Coordinator to discuss.

Do you own a business or know a of business who may be interested in sponsorship for our upcoming Fete? The Fete Committee are seeking sponsorship to assist with the running of our annual Fete. Attached is our sponsorship flyer, please feel free to offer this to any business you feel comfortable to contact. Any additional support we can secure prior to the running of our Fete greatly assists us in the attractions we can provide on the day and the funds we can return to our School and Parish after the event.

St John Bosco Relic

St John Bosco founded the Salesians who are celebrating 100 years in Australia. As part of the celebrations they have a relic of the Saint that is touring the country. The relic will be at Ringwood on Sunday August 6th . This has been arranged by the Myanmar Catholic Community. Mass will be in Burmese.

Tutor Required

Student or Adult needed to assist a year 11 young lady in the subjects of Maths and English. Payment will be given. Please ring Sr Carmel 0420905566

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.

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.

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

Melbourne Catholic Book Club

Are you interested in reading and discussing Catholic books and writers?

*We invite you to join the **Melbourne Catholic Book Club**.*

Founded in 2008, we meet on the last Friday of each month at 7 pm; currently via Zoom.

Membership is free.

The book club analyses and discusses Catholic literature - fiction and non-fiction - broadly defined; from the perspective of established Church teaching. We do not proselytize.

We read widely - from cosy mysteries like "A Morbid Taste for Bones" by Ellis Peters, to classics like "The Ball and the Cross" by Chesterton; from biographies like "Setting the World on Fire: The Brief Astonishing life of Catherine of Siena" to books about contemporary issues like "Why Catholics Can't Sing: The Culture of Catholicism and the Triumph of Bad Taste" by Thomas May.

For more detail, or to join, please email us at melbournecatholicbookclub@gmail.com or brianglendubois@outlook.com

Funeral notice:

Nancy Isabell Stafford

Wednesday 2 August

at 12:00pm



Are you interested in the study of Scripture?

If you are interested, you are invited to join the Scripture Study Group at the Divine Word Missionaries Janssen Spirituality Centre, 22 Woodvale Rd, Boronia. The Group meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 10:00am to 11:30am.

We are beginning a new study, the Letters of St Paul, using the New Collegeville Bible Commentary Series, starting in August. No prior experience needed!

Enquiries: Peter Cowan (Group Facilitator) – 0438 662 095 or 9736 1763

Fr Sunil Nagothu SVD (Director of JSC) 9762 6625

World Youth Day—Lisbon Portugal August 2-6

Just because you're not going to World Youth Day (WYD) doesn't mean you can't go on a little pilgrimage of your own right here in Melbourne. A number of sacred shrines around Melbourne provide the opportunity to spiritually refresh ourselves and pray for Melbourne's WYD pilgrims.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/shrines-to-visit-in-melbourne-for-stay-at-home-pilgrims-this-wyd>

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.

God's Children

We are God's children, and He made us unique and individual.

Lord, You have made us with Your hands and Your heart.

Father, we thank You for the life we have and everyday we live. Amen

(St John's anonymous parishioner)

Stewardship Corner

"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." - Romans 8:28

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

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 link 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

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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 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 CASH ONLY

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.

Eastern Emergency Relief Centre.

This centre has been of great assistance when we need to ask for furniture, washing machines, fridges, beds and mattresses, etc. It is run by volunteers, and will accept the above, so long as it is in good condition. They have more access truck wise to picking up good quality donations.

Please consider them when you want to clear your home or downsize. Contact them on this No. 9874 8433

Many refugees have their homes filled from cutlery, dishes, furniture, all that is needed. Mattresses of all sizes are accepted as long as they are stain-free. They are also helping the environment.