

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

10 April 2022—Year C

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**

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

Normal Weekend Mass Times Saturday Vigil 5pm Sunday 9:30am

Week Day Masses

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

Acting Principal: Lis Thompson admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au 2 Wilana Street, Ringwood 98707227

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper is reported in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke but not in John. In John (6:1–15), the setting is the multiplication miracle of the loaves. Instead, in John's Gospel, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper (13:1–11) in an act of service.
- All four gospels report the trials of Jesus before the Sanhedrin or governing council of the Jews and before Pilate, but only Luke tells of Jesus being sent to Herod.
- Luke's Gospel emphasises the mercy and forgiveness of the Lord towards those who repent. Even on the cross, Jesus continues in this. He assures the repentant thief of his place in paradise. This incident is only reported in Luke's Gospel.
- Jesus is crucified at Calvary, a Latin translation of the Semitic word Golgotha, which means 'skull'.
- Since the fourth century, the site now marked by the Church of the Holy Sepulchre has been revered as the site of Calvary.

Making connections- Opportunities for personal prayer

- 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' Are you ready for this commitment? What will it mean for your life in the future?
- In our society, the idea of being 'selfless' is constantly challenged. Our culture of individualism emphasises the 'I' rather than the 'other'. But it is in self-giving and self-emptying that we find life. Discuss this dichotomy. How does individualism manifest itself? How can we live selflessly in our daily lives?
- Die with Christ a little this week. Fast from food, TV or entertainment. Try to be less distracted as you prepare for Easter.
- 'Lord, into your hands I commit my spirit.' Reflect on these words and what they mean for you as you prepare for the Easter sacraments this week.

Symbols and images

Two symbols dominate the celebration of Christ's Passion: the palms and the cross. The palms symbolise Christ's triumph, and the cross is the means by which that triumph is achieved.

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families and loved ones who care for them: Nicholas King, Ron Snell

For those who have died recently.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Readings Next Week Easter Sunday Acts 10:34, 37-43 Ps 117: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3: 1-4 Jn 20: 1-9

Should you need immediate/emergency assistance from a Priest please call Dispin on 0413 683 153 otherwise Janine on 0468 589 039

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

April 9/10
Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm As Notified

Sunday 9:30 am As Notified

Special Ministers

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Sunday 9:30 am Peter Cleary Brenda Cleary

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm	Laptop: Royal Castellino
Sunday 9:30 am	Pol & Singers Laptop: Bob Munro

Children's Liturgy—Sunday 9:30am Mass

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

St Vincent de Paul

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

Piety Stall

Opened after 5pm Mass Saturday night and after 9.30 am Mass Sunday.

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

Parish Catechist- Kaye Clancy

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

Fr Kamil will be saying a Polish Mass at 8:00am on the 1st Sunday of each month.

Zomi Community Mass is held on the 4th Sunday of each month at 2:00pm.

No Service at Our Lady's on Good Friday Morning

Project Compassion Boxes

As is the Tradition at Our Lady's the Project Compassion Boxes can be brought up at the Offertory at the Holy Thursday Mass.

Stewardship Envelopes

If you haven't done so already, please collect your sets of envelopes from the Narthex.

Flowers for Easter



We would love those with flowers to add to our Easter altar, to bring them on Holy Thursday morning at 9:30. There should be some one there to receive them, if not they will be there to pick them up shortly.

Sacramental Preparation 2022

Enrolments for first Reconciliation are now open for children who are in Year 3 or higher. Classes will be on Tuesdays 4:00 - 5:15 p.m. starting on 24 May.

Enrolments for Confirmation also are now open for children in Year 6 or higher and who have already celebrated Reconciliaition and first Holy Communion. Classes will be on Wednesdays 4:00 –5:15 p.m. starting on 10 May. Please email Kaye for enrolment forms.

Easter Liturgies

In planning for Easter Liturgies we are looking for people to take part as; singers, readers, special ministers, singers and more singers! Please see Deacon Phil if you are interested in helping.

SVDP: Request for donated food.

With food items rising in price, families are struggling. Please donate the following: Cereal, tins of soup, pasta sauce, rice, tins of fruit, tea or coffee, tuna, beans, any non-perishable food is gratefully accepted. With your donations of food, you are helping SVDP to distribute food to the needy and we thank you for that.

Vinnies Bin

Now that the SVDP bin has been removed, please do NOT leave clothing in the Narthex, but drop off at Vinnies store.

Laptop Operators—Volunteers Required

Here is another opportunity to have greater involvement in the Liturgy. We need people who would be happy to run the PowerPoint on the laptop during Mass. Training will be provided if necessary. Call Bob Munro on 0424 212 420

Readers Needed—Saturday Vigil

Be an active part of the Liturgy, join the roster of readers. Please see Merle Smith, Phil King or contact the office.

Our Lady's Table Tennis

Feel like a game of table tennis? Then the Time Out group is just what you need. Come along to the Church Hall each Monday from 10-12. Wear appropriate footwear and bring your vaccine certificate. We provide equipment and a cuppa. You give us \$3 and energy. New players welcome.

Lectio Divina

Lectio is on each Monday and repeated the following Tuesday morning. All gatherings are on Zoom. Any questions phone Frances 0404 054 425 or Vincent 0400 808 545 or email <u>francescassidy7@hotmail.com</u> Join the meeting by computer using this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87454569315? pwd=NWZxTHo1Y2IGdldPSk55MHJsSWgzQT09 Meeting ID: 874 5456 9315 Password. 692882

Working With Children Check

All volunteers are required to have an up-to-date Working With Children Check that is registered with the parish. If your WWCC has expired then you must renew it before undertaking any volunteer activities.

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.

Appeals Commended by the Archbishop

Flood Appeal– Society of St Vincent de Paul https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/ Flood_appeal/ or by calling QLD (07) 30101000 or NSW (02) 9569 0262

Caritas Australia—Ukraine Emergency Appeal https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ ukraine/ Or contact 1800 024 413

Catholic Theological College - Engaging Your Faith

Series of short sessions: online via Zoom Choose one, choose all, choose what interests you and all for just \$25 per session, running 3 to 28 May 2022 Booking, payment and further information: ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

Something to make you smile!



After a long and devoted life as a parish priest Father O'Reilly died and went to heaven. When he arrived St Peter gave him a wooden staff, a plain cotton gown and sent him down to the back of heaven. The next person who arrived in heaven was an airline pilot and St Peter issued him with a bejewelled staff, a golden robe and escorted him right up the front! Poor Father O'Reilly couldn't work out why he was not more favoured after his long life serving his parishioners, so he asked St Peter.

St Peter said, "Well Father, we work on results here. When you stood up to give a homily, most of your parishioners fell asleep. When that pilot climbed into the cockpit to take off, all his passenger prayed!

Project Compassion



Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19 has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with

the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

It's through the generous support of people like you, even amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, that we are able to continue to help lift vulnerable communities out of poverty – support that is needed now more than ever. Thousands of schools and Parishes in Australia have supported Project Compassion over the past year alone.

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting <u>lent.caritas.org.au</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month Parish Finance Council: Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month

Stewardship Corner

"...I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (LUKE 22:34) How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

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.

To 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 <u>HERE</u>. Please nominate where you wish your sup-

port to go.



Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham

Phone: 03 9401 6366 or 0402 330 128 Email: <u>Mitcham@cam.org.au</u> Website: <u>www.stjohnsmitcham.com.au</u>

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! The next Parish meditation gathering in the church will be at 7.30pm on .

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.

Holy Week and Easter Timetable

Wednesday 6 April 7:30pm Lenten Penitential Celebration (St John's Mitcham) Holy Thursday 14 April 7:30 pm — Mass of the Last Supper

Our Lady's

Good Friday 15 April 3:00 pm — Commemoration of the Cross

Holy Saturday 16 April 5:00 pm — Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday 17 April 8:00am—Polish Mass

Easter Sunday 17 April 9:30 am — Easter Mass

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