



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood



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Sunday of the Resurrection

17 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

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2 Wilana Street, Ringwood

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Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter! The Lord is Risen, alleluia!

Christ our light in moments of darkness! The people of different parishes throughout the world will gather around a brand new fire that has begun to burn, and a new paschal candle will be lit for the first time. The priest will lead the people who are gathered there with him to the darkened, empty church. A new Easter candle will burn brightly, leading the procession of the people of God.

Jesus destroyed sin by destroying the consequences of sin which is death. Death loses in the Resurrection! Jesus' Resurrection takes away the effects of all sin for those who cling to Him. Easter is a time when we must do just that. We must "cling" to our resurrected Lord! We must cling to Jesus who is alive and always there for us. We must cling to His Resurrection and strive to share in it. Know that God wants you and your families to experience the joy of Easter in your life. Let Him fill you with hope and with the joy that only the Resurrection can bring. God wants Easter to begin now in our lives!

Easter is a joyful time to continue to give thanks to God for the many blessings we receive every day. It is made even more joyful as we welcome three new people into St John's parish communities through our RCIA and to the table of Eucharist for the first time. We pray for them, and with them, as they consecrate their lives to Jesus Christ. It is a very holy and unifying experience to attend the Easter Vigil Mass with them and their families.

We also pay respects to those serving in our Armed Forces past and current and those who have sacrificed their lives for the freedoms we continue to enjoy as a nation as we celebrate ANZAC Day next weekend. Let us continue to pray for them and teach our children the importance of remembering and recognising the role of the ANZACs in our nation's history. Lest we forget!

Hope you are doing well.

Thinking of you and your families. Take care.

God bless,

Dispin and parish team



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: Peter Glennie

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Readings Next Week

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts: 12-16

Ps 117: 2-4, 22-27

Rev 1: 9-13, 17-19 Jn 20:

19-31

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 16/17

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm	As Notified
Sunday 9:30 am	Angela Lacey Kerry Peterson

Special Ministers

Saturday 5:00 pm	Margaret Roper Adrian Scutt
Sunday 9:30 am	Kath McCrae

Music Ministry

Thursday 7:30 pm	Pol & Singers Laptop: Bob Munro
Friday 3:00 pm	Rohan Smith Laptop: Bob Munro
Saturday 5:00 pm	Christian & Singers Laptop: Bob Munro
Sunday 9:30 am	Ingrid & Maureen Laptop: Dean Scott

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 contact 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.

N.B. No Service at Our Lady's on Good Friday Morning

Easter Vigil Service—Come Early

As the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening starts with the new fire in the carpark, the Wilana Street entrance will be closed to cars at 4:45 pm.

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.

Time Out.

A reminder the meeting will be next week 20th April at the new time 11.30. With school holidays we will have access to the ramp by parking in the school quadrangle. Spread the news.

Stewardship Envelopes

If you haven't done so already, please collect your sets of envelopes from the Narthex. These will be removed after Easter.

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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 Reconciliation 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.

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.

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 Power-Point 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.

Next Lectio Divina—April 25/26

Lectio is on each Monday and repeated the following Tuesday morning. Any questions phone Frances 0404 054 425 or Vincent 0400 808 545 or email francescassidy7@hotmail.com

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.

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/



Project Compassion

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

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.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2022 Lenten appeal.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month
Parish Finance Council: April 28
Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- At the time of Jesus, women were not considered to be reliable witnesses in a court of law.
- The burial practices of the time required that the body be anointed with spices, but Jesus had been buried in haste before the Sabbath, so the women are now returning at the first opportunity to complete the process of his burial rites.
- The Jewish Sabbath runs from sunset on Friday night to sunset on Saturday night, so the dawn of Sunday morning (the first day of the week) was when this action could take place.
- The first witnesses to the resurrection are women. This echoes the faith demonstrated by Mary at the beginning of Luke's Gospel, when she says 'yes' to God's plan for her.

Making connections- Opportunities for personal prayer

- It is the women who first give witness to the risen Christ. What was it that first led you on the journey that has culminated in today's events?
- How will you give witness to this event?
- Are you 'amazed at what had happened'?
- Reflect together on all that has happened in the last three days. Identify the most powerful moment for you. Why was it so meaningful? Congratulate each other. Celebrate.
- Follow the example of the women by telling your story to others this week. Celebrate your birth into new life in Christ.
- Use the first memorial acclamation this week: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Symbols and images

The first day of the week, Sunday, has a special significance for Christians because of the resurrection of Jesus. It is known as the Lord's Day and was set aside from earliest times as the day for the community of believers to gather for the Lord's Supper or Eucharist.

Stewardship Corner

“...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.” (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, “we are made for greatness.” Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

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 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.

Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham

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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.



Holy Week and Easter Timetable

Our Lady's

Wednesday 6 April 7:30pm

Lenten Penitential Celebration (St John's Mitcham)

Holy Thursday 14 April 7:30 pm —Mass of the Last Supper

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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