



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood



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Fourth Sunday of Advent

19 December 2021—Year C

Parish Information

Parish Priest

Fr Dispin John

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

Deacon

Phil King

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

Reconciliation

TBA

Baptism

Please contact the office.

Weddings

Please contact the office.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

Principal: Adrian Scutt
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Prayer for Families at Christmas

Loving God,

During this holy season of Christmas,
we ask for your blessing on all families.
Let Mary's openness to your wondrous

ways

be an inspiration to place all trust in you.

Let Joseph's courage provide hope
during times of anxiety and uncertainty.

Let Jesus' life ignite all families
with a spirit of light and love.

May the grace that encircles the Holy
Family

widen to embrace all families.

For this we pray.

Amen.

<https://majellan.media/majellan-family-prayers-page/?utm>

Readings Next Week

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

1 Sam: 1:20-22, 24-28

Ps 83: 2-3, 5-6, 9-10

1 Jn 3: 1-2, 21-24

Lk 2: 41-52

For your Prayers

Please pray for those who are sick and suffering serious illness and their families and loved ones who care for them.

For those who have died recently, especially **Thelma Ward** and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Should you need immediate/emergency assistance from the Parish Priest please call Dispin on: 0413 683 153

Parish Catechist—Kaye Clancy

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

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

December 18/19

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm	Vincent Cassidy Frances Cassidy
Sunday 9:30 am	John Noronha

Special Ministers

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

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm	Laptop: Royle
Sunday 9:30 am	Laptop: Maureen

Christmas Ministries

Lectors

Christmas Eve 5:00pm:	John Noronha Lyn Crane
Christmas Eve 8:00pm:	Kerry Peterson Diane Wood
Christmas Day 9:30am:	Cathie Munro Ursula Harris

Special Ministers

Christmas Eve 5:00pm:	Jim Fuller Gary Crozier Francis Cassidy
Christmas Eve 8:00pm:	Paula Corcoran Jim Corcoran Lyn Bolton
Christmas Day 9:30am:	Margaret Smith Laurie Brick

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

Weekend Mass Times

St John's Mitcham: Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun 8:30am,
9:45am, 11:15am, 5pm (No vaccination status)

Parish Notices

Funeral Notice

The funeral of Thelma ward will be held at Our Lady's Ringwood on Thursday 23rd December at 1:30pm .

Flowers for Christmas



We would love to have flowers from your garden for the church over Christmas. Bring them to the Church at 10am on Friday Christmas Eve. Thank you

We need some volunteers to help decorate the church with flowers, especially for Christmas. No previous experience required. Contact the office either by email or phone.

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

All children are invited to come dressed as angels, shepherds, kings or queens to take part in Our Lady's Parish 5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass.



Safe Return to Mass—updated

No bookings are needed and there is no limit on numbers. Wearing face masks is optional. We still have to register every time with the QR code. Vaccination status not required. Save Our Lady's as a favourite to cut out the need to scan.

St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal

Many thanks for the generous support for our Christmas appeal. If you still have a box at home please return it this week at the latest.

Christmas Raffle

Look out for ticket sellers after Mass this weekend. Tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 each with first prize being a basket/hamper of goodies and second prize a bottle of Red and White wines. Drawn after 9:30 Mass on 19th December. Good Luck!

Lectio Divina

Lectio is on each Monday with a repeat on the following Tuesday morning. All gatherings are on Zoom. Any questions phone Frances 0404 054 425 or Vincent 0400 808 545 or email francescassidy7@hotmail.com

Join the meeting either:

- By phone (no computer required). Dial (03) 7018 2005 and enter meeting ID 874 5456 9315 when prompted. When you are asked for a passcode take the second option, and wait for the meeting host to let you in.

- By computer, use this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87454569315?pwd=NWZxTHo1Y2lGdldPSk55MHJsSWgzQT09>

Meeting ID: 874 5456 9315

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.

Phone calls & Office Hours

Please note parish phone is unattended outside the office hours of Mon, Tues & Fri 9:30-2:30. Leave a message, and Janine will get back to you at the earliest convenience. If immediate attention is required ring Fr Dispin. Details in bulletin

Christmas/New Year Office Hours

Please note the Parish office will be closed from 24 December to 14 January inclusive. If immediate attention is required ring Fr Dispin directly.

Child Safety

As part of our ongoing efforts to enhance the safety of all children in our Parish, you may notice Child Safety Officers in high-vis vests at masses from now on. These CSOs will 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.

Stewardship Corner

“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.” (LUKE 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Or, do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

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.

Remember to support our parish by clicking [HERE](#).

Please nominate where you wish your support to go.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council
Parish Finance Council
Parish Safeguarding Committee

Immaculata Mission School 2022

You are invited to spend the first 9 days of 2022 with us as we discover what it means to Be A Saint! Program includes talks on the faith, praise & worship, daily Mass, Adoration & the Rosary, recreation, community & friendship. Families welcome and children's ministry available! Come and join us for an amazing time to grow in faith, and love for God and to make new friends!

When: 1-9th January, 2022 (Children's ministry available 4th-9th)

Where: New England Girls' School, Armadale, NSW

Cost: \$450 - includes accommodation, food, speakers, talks and activities.

For family rates, additional information and TO REGISTER see:

<http://www.sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims>

Link for the promo video is here: <https://youtu.be/iBWqtF-0lBc>

Melbourne Catholic—Carols Special

We warmly invite you to join us in celebrating the joy of Christmas with our Archdiocesan Carols Special, *Jesus is Christmas*, to be broadcast **Monday 20 December at 7.30pm** on Community TV Channel C31 (Channel 44 on digital TV) and streamed live on the [Archdiocesan YouTube channel](#).

Presented in partnership with [Mercy Health](#) and [VMCH](#), the one-hour carols special will feature Christmas favourites such as *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* by the celebrated opera tenor Michael Petrucelli and *O Holy Night* by Wiradjuri soprano Shauntai Batzke and the Mia Sorella Trio. Other carols include the English medieval Christmas classic, *Sing we to this merry company*, and a special treat from our Filipino Chaplaincy Choir singing traditional Christmas hymns such as *Noche Buena* ('Christmas Eve') and *Kumukutikutitap* ('sparkling lights').

Christmas Mass Times



Christmas Eve 24 Dec

Our Lady's Ringwood	St John's Mitcham
5:00 pm	4:30 pm
8:00 pm	6:00 pm
	8:30 pm
	11:00pm

Christmas Day 25 December

Our Lady's Ringwood	St John's Mitcham
9:30 am	8:30 am
	10:30 am

Sunday 26 December

Our Lady's Ringwood	St John's Mitcham
9:30 am	8:30 am
	9:45 am
	11:15 am