

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Pentecost Sunday

5 June 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

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Exploring the Word

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- Pentecost was originally a Jewish harvest festival, celebrated fifty days after the
 Passover. It was one of the great pilgrimage festivals of the Jews, and this is why
 so many pilgrims were present in Jerusalem on the day when the Spirit was manifested in the lives of the disciples.
- The Christian feast of Pentecost is fifty days after Easter and is the culmination of the Lent–Easter–Pentecost cycle.
- The Church teaches that the Holy Spirit brings both gifts and fruits to the faithful (see Sharing the Tradition).
- Pentecost Sunday was often known as Whit Sunday or Whitsun, especially in England.

Making connections- Opportunities for personal prayer

- 'If you love me you will keep my commandments.' What are the commandments that Jesus gave? How easy or difficult is it for you to keep them and live them?
- 'The Advocate ... will teach you everything and remind you of all that I said to you.' How open are you to seeing the action of the Holy Spirit in the world around you?
- Recall someone you no longer see but who had a significant influence on shaping
 who you are; someone whose memory is alive for you and whose influence remains strong. Share your recollections of this person. Does this phenomenon give
 insight into the experience of the disciples at Pentecost?
- Spend some time this week thinking about the gifts of the Spirit that you can discern in yourself. Try to recognise and affirm the gifts of others this week, and use one of your own gifts to make life a little easier for someone else.
- Use today's gospel acclamation as your prayer this week: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love.

Symbols and images

Red is the colour that is often associated with the Spirit, and red vestments are worn by the priest on Pentecost Sunday. Red symbolises the intense love or 'fire' of the Holy Spirit. Other symbols of the Spirit are tongues of flame, wind and a white dove. All have their origins in Scripture. Each of these conveys something of the mystery of the Spirit of God, which is beyond human understanding.

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families and loved ones who care for them, and our parishioners who are currently suffering with Covid.

For those who have died recently; Mildred Farrar

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Clotilda & Doris De Silva

Readings Next Week

The Most Holy Trinity

Prov 8:22-31 Ps 8:4-9 Rom 5:1-5 Jn 16:12-15

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 4/5 Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am Frank O'Connor

Julie Zaar

Special Ministers

Saturday 5:00 pm Vincent Cassidy

Francies Cassidy

Jennifer de Korte

Sunday 9:30 am Jim Fuller

Bob Munro

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm

Laptop: Matt Giuliano

Sunday 9:30 am Rohan Smith

Laptop: Bob Munro

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.

First Saturday of the Month—June 4

Devotion to Our Mother Of Perpetual Help

8:45am - Rosary and personal prayers

9:00am - Confession

9:15am - Mass and immediately after

Mass, Novena

1st Sunday of the Month—June 5

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—June 26

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm.

Filipino Mass: 4:00pm

Pentecost Sunday Cuppa.



Why not stop for a cup of tea or coffee after 9.30 Mass Sunday 5th June. An opportunity to make yourself known to some one new.

Funeral Notice

The funeral of Mildred Farrar will be held at Our Lady's on Friday 10 June at 10:30 am.

Police Checks

In accordance with the policy of the Archdiocese, over the coming weeks we will be renewing police checks for some of the parish volunteers. This affects those who visit the vulnerable and those responsible for parish finances. See Deacon Phil if you have any questions.

Church Security

It has been brought to my attention that on occasions the church door has been found unlocked. If you are the last to leave please check the doors to ensure they are locked. Thankyou.

Church Alarm

As the church is now actively alarmed, if you are the first person to open up you need to enter your code and E when you arrive. **Have your code ready as you only have 60 seconds!** Don't forget to ARM it when you leave. Instructions are above the keypad. Janine is happy to take anybody through the process preferably on a Monday or Tuesday.

Have a key but haven't received a code? You need to call Janine in office hours please.

Carpark

Please observe the speed limit of 5kms especially when entering the carpark as this ensures the safety of everyone particularly those using the disabled parks.

Have You Lost Something?

The box for lost property has been placed in the Narthex, please check to see if anything in there belongs to you.

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—More Volunteers Welcome

Happy to run the PowerPoint on the laptop during Mass? Here is your chance to volunteer. Training will be provided if necessary. Call Bob Munro on 0424 212 420

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

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 francescassi-dy7@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

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.

Volunteer Opportunity Assisting Refugee Students

Mercy Connect Melbourne/Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult centre. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. The training day is in July.

Email: somml@bigpond.com (preferred for contact) **Website**: www.mercyworks.org.au **Tel**: 9326 1895

Heart of Life Programs

'Tending Our Winter Heart: Live-in Weekend Retreat', Friday 10 June, 4pm - Sun 12 June, 4pm.

We invite you to a contemplative retreat where you will have the opportunity to spend some personal, quality time with yourself in the quiet and beautiful surrounds of The Holy Name Retreat & Spirituality Centre in Cheltenham VIC. Time is offered for personal space and reflection, within a supportive environment, as well as spiritual direction if you wish. Limited rooms for couples are available. Led by Heart of Life supervisors and spiritual directors, Carole Carmody rsm and Marlene McGrath. Cost \$300 including accommodation and catering. Enquiries to Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral For-

mation, email <u>secretary@heartoflife.melbourne</u>, or tel (03) 9890 1101 or book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne

Spiritual Nourishment for Carers Thursday 16 June & 21 July 2022, 1pm-4pm

(via Zoom or in-person, according to personal circumstances with *Carole Carmody rsm, Cathy Beaton*) \$30 per session.

'Rest and self-care are so important.
When you take time to replenish your spirit, it allows you to serve from the overflow.

You cannot serve from an empty vessel.'

(Eleanor Brown)

Carers live with profound beauty amidst the challenges of daily life. We offer these reflection/retreat days to you, a carer who may need support, a place of welcome and some nurturing. Take some time out for yourself, if you are able, and join us for one or both of these reflection days. Each day is offered as an oasis. You will have the space and time to be silent, reflect, with the opportunity to share if you wish. We invite you to re-energise your mind and replenish your spirit. Depending on the group, a further retreat day can be arranged.

Something to make you smile!

A young couple were thrilled when they learned they were soon to become parents. They decided to attend the local parish support group for mothers-to-be. They had heard other couples could provide some good tips on how to prepare for the new arrival and how to stay healthy during pregnancy.

On the second night of the program the female instructor was explaining how beneficial walking was for pregnant women. Walking could provide all sorts of benefits for both the mum-to-be and the unborn baby. She told the husbands in the group that they should encourage their wives to walk as an exercise.

"Even better. You could accompany your wives on the walks," said the instructor.

There was a moment of silence then one of the men shouted, "Would it be okay if she carries a golf bag while we walk."

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month

Stewardship Corner

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (JOHN 14:26)

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions. What you put in your head, heart and mind affects your actions. Put good things in and good things will come out.

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 **HERE**.

Please nominate where you wish your support to go.

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.

Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham

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Email: Mitcham@cam.org.au

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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 nonfiction 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.

World Meeting of Families | 22 - 26 June 2022

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Every three years since 1994, the Church has

celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness." You can discover local Australian events or explore the resources with your own family by visiting: www.family.catholic.org.au