



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Third Sunday of Easter

1 May 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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Exploring the Word

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The Sea of Galilee is also known as the Sea of Tiberias.
- Jesus' triple repetition of his question to Peter, 'Do you love me?', echoes the three denials of Jesus by Peter on the morning of his execution.
- The Greek word for fish, ichtus, is an acronym of the Greek words for 'Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour'. The fish was an early symbol used by Christians to denote Christ.
- The appearance of Jesus to the disciples in last week's gospel occurred in the upper room in Jerusalem where they had celebrated the Passover feast. Here, the disciples have returned to Galilee in the north.
- Early tradition holds that Peter met his death by being crucified upside down in Rome.

Making connections- Opportunities for personal prayer

- It is the Lord.' What moments of joyful recognition have you experienced in the last two weeks?
- Peter literally 'went overboard' in his effort to reach the risen Lord. Share some recollections of times when you have reacted with extreme enthusiasm to something.
- Do you now have a role in leading others to Christ? If so, how can you act on that this week?
- Pray these words with Peter this week: Lord, you know everything, you know that I love you.

Symbols and images

The image of the boat is an ancient image for the Church. The enormous catch of fish symbolises the success that the disciples will have in becoming 'fishers of men' and leading people to belief in the risen Christ. The reason for the precise number of 153 remains a mystery.

Please pray...

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

For those who have died recently For those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Violet Brooks

Readings Next Week

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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 30/May 1

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am

Special Ministers

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm

Laptop:

Sunday 9:30 am

Laptop:

Devotion to Our Mother Of Perpetual Help

Thanks to Fr Dispin, our Parish will have another opportunity for us to pray together on the first Saturday of each month.

Saturday 7th May

8:45am - Rosary and personal prayers

9:00am - Confession

9:15am - Mass and immediately after Mass, Novena will commence. Lasts approx.; 10-15 min.

After Novena, there will be time to catch up with one another over a cuppa and light snacks. If you wish, you are welcome to bring a plate to share. COME AND JOIN US! ALL WELCOME!.

Mass at 4:10 p.m. on Tuesday 3 May

This Mass is part of the preparation for First Holy Communion which will be celebrated on 14 & 15 May for children not attending Our Lady's school. Parishioners most welcome.

Car Park Courtesy

Please remember that when entering the car park from Wilana Street that you do so at walking pace. The disabled car parks are adjacent to the entrance therefore there could well be pedestrians in the area.

Children's Liturgy—Sunday 9:30am Mass

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

Project Compassion Boxes

Still have a box or envelopes at home? Please return them next week.

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.

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.

Parish Catechist- Kaye Clancy

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

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

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.

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 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?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87454569315?pwd=NWZxTHo1Y2lGdldPSk55MHJsSWgzQT09)
[pwd=NWZxTHo1Y2lGdldPSk55MHJsSWgzQT09](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.

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/

Special Masses in May—St Patrick's Cathedral

As we emerge from COVID, and reflect on the experiences of the past two years, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli invites the community to come together for:

Mass of Thanksgiving for Health & Aged Care Workers— 11am Sunday 1 May

The last two years have impacted all of us, but especially on members of the aged-and health-care service sectors. This Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for their ongoing care and **those working in these sectors are especially invited to attend.**

Mass to Commemorate Those Who Have Died During the Covid Pandemic—Sunday 22 May, 11am

In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21–22 May.

Vocation Sunday

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

Corpus Christi College and Catholic Theological College Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Support the training of priests for tomorrow's Church. Your (tax deductible) donation will support the living arrangements and education for the Corpus Christi College seminarians. Donate via our website: <https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-sunday-appeal/>

This week on the Journey (Ep 456)

On the Journey this week: Fr John Paul Escarlan's Gospel reflection and Sam Clear explains the impact of this gospel on an audience during his walk for Christian Unity. Mother Hilda's distress at the amount of hate in the world and her antidote for it. Trish McCarthy tells how to have the resolution of Jesus, plus Pete Gilmore on confusing a busy life with living life to the full, and more great music! Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email. The Journey is a weekly program developed by the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong and is the only Catholic radio program in Australia aired on general Christian radio.

Parish Meetings

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

Stewardship Corner

"...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'" (JOHN 21:17)

How often do you actually say the words "I love you" to Jesus, to family members, or to friends? We are made to be in relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. You are giving them the gift of yourself. We all crave love. Tell someone you love them every day.

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.

Something to make you smile!



A newly ordained deacon was asked to hold a gravesite service for a parishioner who had just passed away and who had no family or friends.

It was his first official assignment so he readily accepted.

Taking his duties very seriously, the deacon left early the next morning for the cemetery. However, he made several wrong turns and got lost. When he finally arrived he was more than an hour late. The hearse was nowhere to be seen and the two workmen were eating lunch nearby.

The young deacon got out of his car, quickly threw on his vestments and hurried over to the freshly dug grave. Looking down into the hole, he saw that the lid was already in place. With a huge sigh, he took out his prayer book and recited a few chosen words.

After he had departed one of the workmen said to the other, "Maybe we should have told him he just blessed a septic tank."

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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.