



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

8 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

admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au

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Mother's Day Prayer!

Loving God, we ask you to bless all Mothers today. May they feel the joys of motherhood everyday. In all their struggle giving us a livelihood, may your love and compassion be with them for good. May every mother feel today, the pride and beauty of the family they bear. Through all pain and sorrow Lord deliver them- In your strength and grace may they always stay. Amen!

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 especially John Heavey

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Readings Next Week

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27

Ps 144:8-13

Rev 21:1-5

Jn 13:31-35

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

May 7/8

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm Diane Wood
Christian Gunawan
Sunday 9:30 am Vincent Cassidy
Frances Cassidy

Special Ministers

Saturday 5:00 pm Gary Crozier
Sunday 9:30 am Peter Cleary
Breda Cleary

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm Laptop: Royal Castellino
Sunday 9:30 am Our Lady's 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 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.

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!.

SVDP—Meeting Tuesday 10 May at 10:00am in the Meeting Room

Carpark

Ron, the school's handy man, has been very busy making sure that the carpark signage is very clear. I'm sure you have noticed the repainting of the disability car park spaces, the areas that need to be kept clear, the clearly defined parking spaces and the direction we need to travel through the space. Please also observe the speed limit of 5kms especially when entering the carpark as this ensures the safety of everyone particularly those using the disabled parks.

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

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?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.

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/>

Special Collection—Catholic Mission May 21/22 (Envelopes will be available next week)

[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—May 8

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis tells us: There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

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/>

'Call of Guadalupe'- an Australian-grown Catholic Musical!

AUDITIONS NOW OPEN! COG Theatre Musicals have gone around Australia & overseas. We invite you to be involved in this splendid, uplifting and life-affirming Show on stage in November, 2022! A great opportunity to DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS in the Performing Arts. Learn how to act, sing or help backstage with FREE Drama & Singing Classes in the Burwood & Chelsea area. For more info: www.cogtheatre.org For audition details: contact cogtheatregroup@gmail.com or Von 0423 886 984 or Geraldine 0413398528

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month

BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

Malnutrition is a challenge many families face in Ethiopia, especially those with babies and young children. In two weeks' time, you will learn about Neela* and her son Ajani*, and how families like theirs can be supported through a new Church-run community program.

This is an opportunity to partner with a life-giving mission program – your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can even begin.

This is also a great way to commit to being witnesses of Jesus Christ, as He has called us to be in Acts 1:8.

*Name altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia



Stewardship Corner

“The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” (ACTS 13:52)

The disciples heard Our Lord’s call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to!

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

Phone: 03 9401 6366 or 0402 330 128

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.

Exploring the Word

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The Latin word for shepherd is pastor. It is from this word that we derive many of the terms used in the Church for people with a special role: pastor or priest, pastoral care, pastoral associate, pastoral council. These roles always imply a duty of love and care towards those for whom one is responsible.
- The Shepherd King was an ancient image of God used by the Hebrew people.
- In this gospel text, John is addressing one of the issues that confronted his community: the heretical voices of those who sought to lead people away from—rather than towards—God.

Making connections- Opportunities for personal prayer

- What are the things about the Church and your particular community that make you feel like you belong?
- These words from Jesus are spoken with the utmost confidence in their truth! How confident are you feeling that you know Jesus and that he will give you eternal life?
- What are the things that may ‘steal you away’ from listening to the voice of Jesus?
- In your life, in what ways are you called on to act as a ‘shepherd’—a leader, provider, protector?
- Who are the people who act as a shepherd to you? In what ways do they carry out this role for you?
- Attend very carefully to the needs of those people who are in your care this week.