



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13 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

Pastoral Care Worker

Loredana Iacobucci

Parish Secretary

Janine Meades
Office hours
Mon, Tues, Fri 9:30-2:30

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5pm
Sunday 9:30am

Week Day Masses

Tuesday 6:00pm Mass and Novena
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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Exploring the Word

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The temple in Jerusalem was totally destroyed by the Romans in ad 70. Luke's Gospel was written after this event, so his readers would have known of its annihilation.
- Early Christian communities faced persecution both by the Jews, when they were expelled from the synagogues for their faith in Jesus as Messiah, and by the secular authorities for their refusal to worship the emperor as a god. Luke is clearly aware of the tribulations facing his community and seeks to allay their fears in this text.

Making connections - Opportunities for personal prayer

- Have you had to bear any ridicule or derision because of your decision to seek baptism?
- Describe a time of chaos or turmoil in your life. What sustained you or gave you strength through this difficult time?
- Have you had to face a great challenge that you feared you may not be able to endure?
- This week, accept those things that you cannot change and change for the better those things that you can.
- Use today's communion antiphon this week:

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

Symbols and images

To describe the end of time, this gospel uses a kind of language commonly used in this period and known as 'apocalyptic' language. The language is symbolic and should not be read literally. Ultimately, this text is designed to give faith and hope to those who were suffering persecution. God will protect and sustain them.

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families and loved ones who care for them, Peter Harris

For those who have died recently, Adam Devlin, Paul Gionfriddo

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Readings

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 Sam 5:1-3
Ps 121:1-5
Col 1:12-20
Lk 23:35-43

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 November 12/13

Lectors

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

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm Carmel Risson
Sunday 9:30 am Peter Cleary
Breeda Cleary

Music Ministry

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

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

Dear Parishioners,
Pastoral care is available @ Our Lady's, if you or someone you know would like to have a chat, please don't hesitate to call me on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au.
God bless Loredana

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.

1st Sunday of the Month—December 4

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—November 27

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm.
Filipino Mass: 4:00pm

Morning Tea

Why not stay awhile and find someone you haven't met yet? A good way to grow our community after 9:30 mass.

November Dates:
20th (Team 2)



The funeral service for Paul Gionfriddo will be held at Our Lady's on Friday 18 November at 11:30 am.

Anointing & Healing Mass—8th December

There will be an Anointing and Healing Mass on the first Thursday of each month at 11:00am.

Advent Reflection Groups

Advent starts on 27 November and we are planning to run some Reflection Groups. We will meet once per week to reflect on the gospel, to share our faith with each other and to pray together. We will use the booklet "Incarnate" by the Diocese of Wollongong. There are two choices: a day or an evening session. If you are interested in taking part in one of these groups, please write your name and phone number on the sign-up sheets on the table at the entrance door.



Books are available from the Piety Stall for \$5.00

November Masses

Names of deceased loved ones can be written in the Prayer Book which will be placed by the cross for the month of November. Names can be added throughout the month. Masses throughout November will be offered for the repose of their souls. Envelopes are available if you wish to make an offering.

Fundraising Committee

We are preparing a fundraising campaign to raise money for new carpets in the church. If you would like to be on this committee please see Fr Dispin or Deakin Phil.

New to the Parish?

Please fill out a parish census card available in the Narthex and return to the office. Also you might like to consider participating in the Stewardship Program—forms available.

Special Collection November 12/13 -Catholic Deaf Appeal
Thank you in advance for your generosity. Your donation will:

- Provide support to Deaf families through counselling and social gatherings.
- Assist in maintaining a community centre for all deaf people and their families.
- Assist in offering liturgies, visitation of the sick and sacramental preparation in Auslan.
- Support deaf people whose needs do not conform to Government funding guidelines or disability criteria

Our Lady's Table Tennis

Feel like a game of table tennis? Come along by yourself or bring a friend or two and join in the fun on Monday 10-12 in the Parish Hall. Wear appropriate footwear and bring your vaccine certificate. We provide equipment and a cuppa. You give us \$3 and energy. New players welcome.

Fete News

This week we had our Fete 'Wrap Meeting'. The overall feeling was that the Fair had provided a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together after a couple of very challenging years. We are pleased to report that the Fair made a profit of \$9000 which will be shared between Parish and School.

The Fete Committee would sincerely like to thank all the Volunteers from the Parish for their generous donation of time and assistance to host such an event. A special thank you also to the Ladies of Time Out who baked the most delicious scones for our Devonshire Tea Stall.

We hope to see many more faces join our committee next year in order to continue this wonderful Parish and School event.

Expired Working With Children Check

You do need a current WWCC to conduct any volunteer work in the parish. Please check your Working With Children... it may need to be renewed. If you are having difficulty renewing it online, you're welcome to come to the office and Janine can assist you.

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.

St V De Paul—Piety Stall

How fast is the year passing? Time to think of Christmas and 2023. Now available for purchase:

2023 Columban Calendars—\$10.00

Divine Mercy Calendars—\$14.00

Christmas cards—Price to be advised.

Flood Appeal

The Society of St Vincent de Paul has begun a Flood Appeal for those who have been affected by the floods particularly in the north of Victoria. Contributions can be made by:

1. Calling 13 18 12
2. visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vicflood-appeal-2022>
3. making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase
4. via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

We pray for all who are impacted by the floods as well as the volunteers and emergency workers assisting them in their needs at this challenging time.

Red Wednesday

Red Wednesday is an initiative of the papal charity, *Aid to the Church in Need* dedicated to providing material and spiritual support to the persecuted Church. Two-thirds of the world's population live in countries where there are serious violations of religious freedom. We hear more stories of people bearing witness to their faith in horrific circumstances. Many of those families have found refuge and a new home in our city and surrounds. For further information: www.aidtochurch.org/RedWednesday

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY @ OUR LADY'S

"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18

"Pray for one another, that you may be healed" (James 5:16).

For prayer requests, please call Loredana 0423 313 336 or contact the Parish Office.



God is speaking to us

There is an unexplainable conviction about something.

Most spiritually mature individuals have the gift of discernment. It is the ability to judge a situation wisely, even beyond what can be perceived by the senses. For instance, we can discern if a person is sincere in expressing their feelings for us or not. Or we can discern if a friend is struggling with a problem, even if they try to appear happy before us.

God can convey His message to us through discernment. Through it, He can give us the wisdom we need to decide on a matter correctly. Therefore, whenever we discern something, we have to ask God to help us understand His will completely.

OLPH GAMES AFTERNOON!

First Sunday of every month—Dec 4

1:30 – 4:00pm

Meet in the Narthex for some games of cards, checkers, board games etc.

All ages Welcome—Make it a family event

Bring a small plate to share for



Stewardship Corner

"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us." 2 THESSALONIANS 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their words and actions, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and others desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others may have with our Catholic faith.

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.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month

St Vincent de Paul

For welfare enquiries please call Vinnies on 1800 305 330 Mon -Fri 10am -3pm

Piety Stall Opened:

After 5:00pm Mass Saturday night and after 9:30 am Mass Sunday.

Before and after the Zomi and Filipino Masses held on 4th Sunday of the Month.

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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Weekday Masses

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00a.m.

Weekend Mass Times

Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun 8:30am, 9:45am, 11:15am, 5pm



Imaginative Prayer Advent Retreat

Are you looking to deepen your understanding of
Scripture this Advent season?

Join in a *full-day Advent Retreat*, exploring how the practice of Imaginative Prayer could deepen your understanding of Scripture and strengthen your relationship with the Lord.

Where: **Coghlan Centre @ St John's, Mitcham**

When: **Saturday 26th November**

Time: **9.30am - 4pm**

Cost: **\$30**

(\$20 for Seniors or Concession)

Cost includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Places are limited

Scan the QR code below to book your place
or call the Parish Office on **(03) 94016366**



Facilitated by author, religious educator,
and fellow St John's parishioner
Carlie Anderson

imaginewithscripture.com



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION – "Come and See"

Consistent meditation is known to help with everything from raised blood pressure to depression; even practised occasionally, it helps calm our busy minds. If you are interested in deepening your spirituality, or want to strengthen your connection to God, you can benefit from meditation – even if you are new to it. Put it in your diary now! Our next meditation gathering will be on Monday evening, 14th November at 7.30pm. We gather fortnightly. No experience needed. Free of charge. All welcome. All enquiries Chris Ryan at the Parish Office, 9401 6366.