

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

23 October 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 lacobucci

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 2 Wilana Street, Ringwood 98707227

Exploring the Word

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- It is always important to look at who the characters are in the parables of Jesus.
- Pharisees were deeply religious laymen who observed the law very closely and met together regularly for prayer and table fellowship.
- Tax collectors were despised because their job gave them opportunity
 to cheat and defraud the people and also because they cooperated
 with the Roman oppressors. Their contact with the gentiles made them
 ritually unclean. No wonder this tax collector 'stood some distance
 away'. The Pharisees would have believed he had no right to be in the
 temple at all.

Making connections - Opportunities for personal prayer

- Are there times when you pass judgment on others or consider yourself as 'better' than certain people?
- How difficult do you find it to recognise your own shortcomings?
- Do you find it challenging to look beyond the shortcomings of others?
- Have you ever been in a situation when you were made to feel small or embarrassed by someone who exulted themselves at your expense? Have you ever 'put someone down' by your actions or words? Notice occasions this week when it may be easy to judge someone badly. Do something positive to favour someone to whom you may feel in some way superior.
- The humble prayer of the tax collector makes a suitable prayer for you this week: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Symbols and images

This gospel really asks us to think about what constitutes right worship. Is God impressed by words and outward show alone when the human heart is harbouring thoughts of hatred or vengeance? This parable would indicate that God is more impressed by humility and recognition of our own need for healing.

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: Brenda Corrigan

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mary Scicluna

Readings

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 11:22-12:2 Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14 2 Thess 1:11-2:2 Lk 19:1-10

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

October 23 Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am Angela Lacey

Kerry Peterson

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am Kath McCrae

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00 pm

Laptop:

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—November 6th

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—October 23rd

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:

6th (Team 1) & **20**th (Team 2)



Funeral Service

The funeral of Brenda Corrigan will be held at Our Lady's on Monday 24 October at 10:00am

Mass for all Souls at Our Lady's will be celebrated on Wednesday 2nd November at 6:30pm.



Catholic Mission Appeal - Sunday 23 October

This week Catholic Mission will share the continued vision of Fr Habte and how, through the Goat Rearing Centre, many other families living in poverty are able to access agricultural training and employment that they would otherwise be unable to.

As shared by Fr Habte, when established, the Centre will not only provide nutritious milk but job creation and agricultural training for farmers and community members.

Please give generously this weekend to help continue this program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/families or by scanning the QR code below. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

World Youth Day

Upcoming World Youth Day Information Sessions in October. A life-changing trip to Lisbon, Portugal: Join 500 other young Catholics from around Melbourne on an epic journey to World Youth Day in 2023. Find out more at https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd

125th Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm**. This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our

Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

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.

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.

Public conversation on the topic: The future of humanity passes by way of the family. You are invited to attend a public conversation hosted by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, internationally renowned speaker and author Mary Eberstadt discussing the topic: The future of humanity passes by way of the family. The conversation will be held on Tuesday 25 October, 12.30-2pm at the Catholic Leadership Centre in East Melbourne. Tickets are free; however, bookings are essential with a light lunch provided. Tickets can be booked via: www.trybooking.com/CDKKN or 9926 5612.

Have your say

To view the draft functional design, find out more about the project and provide your feedback, visit the Your Say Maroondah webpage yoursay.maroondah.vic.gov.au/ bedford-road-bicycle-path

Consultation closes Friday 11 November 2022.

If you have any questions in relation to the project, please refer to the Frequently asked questions located on the Your Say Maroondah webpage or contact our Project Engineer on 1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4598. You can also email us at maroondah@maroondah.vic.gov.au.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Do you ever ponder: What is the meaning of life?

What do you seek?

Why a God?
Who is Jesus?
Why a Church?

... and much more ...

Come and See ... Find out about this journey of faith and discovery.

Starting in November

Come and see what the RCIA program can offer you.

If this is for you or someone you know, contact Father Dispin or Deacon Phil for details.

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

We feel uneasy about something, leading us to prayer.

We have the Holy Spirit inside us, therefore expect supernatural convictions at times. It is one way God can communicate with us. For example, He can warn us about an impending danger by making us feel uneasy about something.

The sudden uneasiness we feel should lead us to ask God for wisdom. We must resort to fervent prayer, asking the Lord to reveal His will in that situation. Or, if we suddenly feel afraid or worried about a particular person, maybe God wants us to pray for them.

OLPH GAMES AFTERNOON! First Sunday of every month

1:30 - 4:00pm

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

All ages Welcome—Make it a family event

Bring a small plate to share for afternoon tea.



Stewardship Corner

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted. "Luke 18:14 Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

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

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.

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.

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



The **Gen Bryant Team** and St John's Parish, Mitcham would like to invite your Grade 6 students to "**Send Us Out**", an event inspired by this year's Confirmation season. This engaging event aims to give students a unique opportunity to continue their journey in faith through music, games, engaging speakers, and to also make connections with other students from surrounding primary schools in Melbourne's East

Send Us Out -A Grade 6 Event

You're invited to a night of live music, games, inspiring speakers, and an opportunity to connect with Grade 6's from surrounding schools.

Thursday 1st December, 6pm - 8pm St John's Coghlan Centre - 494 Whitehorse Rd Mitcham

Pizza from 6pm \$10 entry Register by November 25 via

https://www.trybooking.com/CDMFC

Need something to read? Visit HOUSE OF BOOKS—Mitcham

The House of Books is open: Monday—Friday 10am - 4pm Saturday 10am-1pm Closed Sundays & Public Holidays.

