

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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# **Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

30 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 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 2 Wilana Street, Ringwood 98707227

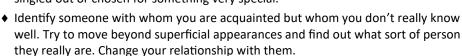
## **Exploring the Word**

### **Points of interest and Catholic lore**

- ♦ The name Zacchaeus means 'pure' but the actions of this wealthy tax collector belied such a name and earnt him the title of 'sinner'.
- ♦ Jesus addresses Zacchaeus as 'son of Abraham', a title usually reserved for the holy or pious ones. Jesus is clearly indicating that Zacchaeus is as good as anyone else.
- ♦ Jericho lies in the Jordan Valley, just 6 miles north of the Dead Sea, and so has a milder climate than the surrounding barren hills. Herod built a lavish winter palace here
- ♦ The journey of Jesus to Jerusalem is almost complete. Jericho is the last town to be passed through before the steep ascent to Jerusalem.

# Making connections - Opportunities for personal prayer

- ♦ Are you anxious to discover Jesus?
- ♦ To what lengths would you go?
- ♦ How do you welcome Jesus joyfully?
- Recall an experience of being overlooked or feeling left out. Alternatively, share an experience of being singled out or chosen for something very special.



- ♦ At each Eucharist we pray:
  - Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
  - but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## Symbols and images

Zacchaeus' encounter with Jesus led him to reassess the way he lived in the world and the way he related to those around him. He repented his past wrongs, made restitution and entered into a new way of being. This same journey is the one to which baptism into the Church calls all believers.



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 For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Nazzario Di Rocco Readings 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary

Time
Mal 3:19-20
Ps 97:5-9
2 Thess 3:7-12
Lk 21:5-19

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 29/30 Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am Allan Jones

Kathy Munro

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:30 am

#### **Music Ministry**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Laptop: Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30 am Zomi Choir

Laptop: Zomi Choir

## **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 <a href="mailto:loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au">loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au</a>. 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 6

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:**

6<sup>th</sup> (Team 1) & **20**<sup>th</sup> (Team 2)



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

## Catholic Mission Appeal - Thank you

On behalf of Fr Habte, the community and church members in Emdibir, Ethiopia, thank you so much for your generous support through last week's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Your gift is helping to ensure that many families have the opportunity to access skills training and employment. Your generosity is also supporting many other mission programs for children and communities around the world. To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also signup for our regular newsletter.

## **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.

## St V De Paul—Piety Stall

How fast is the year passing? Time to think of Christmas and 2023.

Now available for purchase:

Incarnate Advent & Christmas Daily reflections 2022 (Woolongong Diocese) - \$5.00

2023 Columban Calendars—\$10.00
Divine Mercy Calendars—\$14.00
Christmas cards—Price to be advised.





What an AMAZING day we had last Saturday! Our Twilight Fair was clearly exactly what the doctor had ordered as we emerged from the Pandemic. Whilst the

morning started a little shaky with rivers of water flowing down the quadrangle and a quick brush with the local Fire Brigade and Police, the combined efforts of many in our community saw an afternoon of laughter, fun, sunshine, community engagement and a sea of smiles as far as the eye could see. The fun factor had been amped to the max!

When the Fete Committee convened at the beginning of 2022, there were so many uncertainties. We were certain the Pandemic's impacts would still be felt in October 2022 but what would they look like. Would there be density limits and how would we manage that. Not to mention the sizeable increase in 'running costs' to now host such an event – some attractions now doubled in their cost. One thing was for certain, we wished to host an event that welcomed the community back and reminded us of some of the loves we had prior to the Pandemic's intrusion. And I think that we nailed it, if I can be that bold!! It was so warming to see both Parish and School reunite on a sunny afternoon having fun and enjoyment.

We wish to thank all the generous volunteers for their time and effort in set up, pack down and on the day. An awesome day such as Saturday can not begin to look that good without the countless hours of donated time and effort.

To the Fete Committee. THANK YOU from all in our community. You hosted a super day for all to enjoy and create memories to last a lifetime.

To the future, we are not sure what this will hold, what we do know is that our cups are now filled our feet are sore and it's time for a rest! Thank you for coming and sharing the day and helping to make it a day to remember in 2022!

Rachel Livingstone

On behalf of the Fete Committee 2022

## **Congratulations to our Major Raffle Draw winners**

1st Prize (\$1000 gift voucher) – Thomas Family 2nd Prize (\$700 gift voucher) – Mr V Date 3rd Prize (\$300 voucher) – Ms K Thatcher

## 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

He speaks through His church.

The church serves as Christ's body (as He is the head). Therefore, we should not take for granted the fellowship with other believers. Being surrounded by mature Christians will not only help us in our spiritual growth. It can also help us be more discerning about God's will in our life to avoid sinning or mistakes.

For this reason, it is vital to have accountability partners in church. They can be our spiritual leaders, ministry colleagues, or other parishioners. Whenever we have a problem or are confused about some things, we can tell them. Then, as they pray with us, we have no idea how God gives them the wisdom to counsel us in our situation.

# **OLPH GAMES AFTERNOON!**

# First Sunday of every month—Nov 6

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 afternoon tea.



## Stewardship Corner

"But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if Phone: 03 9401 6366 or 0402 330 128 I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over. 'LUKE 19:8

We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the gifts we have been given. This means: everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but everyone is called to give equal sacrifice. Open your heart and talk to God about how you use your money. How is God calling you to be more generous with your financial resources and possessions?

## **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.

### **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

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



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

## 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.

