

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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# Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 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

- In the biblical material, the term leper probably referred to people who were suffering from a variety of skin disorders.
- Under Jewish Law, lepers were ostracized and forced to live outside the city limits.
   It was thought that they would contaminate others in both a physical and religious sense.
- Leprosy was seen as a punishment for sin, so lepers were moral outcasts as well as physical outcasts.
- When a leper was 'cured', certain purification rites were performed by the priests (Leviticus 14). It was only after purification that lepers could again come into contact with friends and relations and once again take part in the religious life of Israel.
- There was an ancient animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans dating back to the period after the reign of King Solomon, when his death resulted in civil war and the splintering of the kingdom into two. The break-away northern kingdom of Samaria built a new temple on Mount Gerizim, rejecting the temple in Jerusalem. The Samaritans were considered apostates by those of the southern kingdom of Judah.

# Making connections- Opportunities for personal prayer

- Have you ever had the experience of being an 'outcast' through no fault of your own?
- 'Master! Take pity on us.' Have there been times when you have been moved by pity or compassion to do something for another?
- What reasons do you have to give thanks to God?
- The action of Jesus in this text would have completely turned around the lives of the lepers. Share stories of a time when your life reached a significant turning point. What was its impact on you and those close to you?
- Be inclusive of people who are sometimes treated as 'outcasts' in our society. Say thank you to someone who has done something for you.

### Symbols and images

Today's gospel is another example of Jesus being recognised by an outsider—in this case, both a leper and a Samaritan—while those who should know who he is, his own compatriots, do not respond appropriately. We often witness 'acts of faith' from surprising quarters!

#### 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

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Catherine and Lawrence Fitzpatrick

# Readings 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13 Ps 120 2 Tim 3:14—4:2 Lk 18:1-8

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 8/9

#### 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

**Brenda Cleray** 

# **Music Ministry**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Laptop: Maureen Platt

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 <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 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.

October Dates: **2nd** (Team 3) & **16th** (Team 4)

#### Funeral—Bishop Hilton Deakin

On behalf of Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, you are invited to the Pontifical Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Bishop Emeritus, Hilton Forrest Deakin AM DD at St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne on Thursday 13 October, 2022 at 10:30am.

A vigil for Bishop Deakin will be held on the **Tuesday, 11 October at 7:30pm**, St Thomas More's Church - 313 Canadian Bay Rd, Mt Eliza commencing at 7:30pm. All are also most welcomed to attend.

Please keep Bishop Deakin, his family, and all the communities he worked so tirelessly for in his many years of ministry in your prayers.

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



# **Fete Helpers Urgently Needed**

This event cannot be run without the help from our wonderful Our Lady's School and Parish Communities please consider adding your name to the roster in the Narthex.

# Raffle Tickets—Stewardship Givers

Raffle tickets are now on sale for the OLPH Twilight Fair on October 22nd. Your books are awaiting pick up in the Narthex. Tickets are \$2 each. The prizes are 1st Prize \$1000 voucher, 2nd Prize \$700 and 3rd Prize \$300 voucher for Bunnings, Woolworths or Coles Myer. Please return your sold or unsold tickets to the school office or drop them into the wooden locked box at the back of the church. The Fair committee really appreciate your support in selling the tickets to raise funds for our school and parish.

# Our Lady's Twilight Fair - Cake Stall Donation

With the Parish celebrating 100 years this year, the 2022 Twilight Fair is sure to be a wonderful community event and fundraiser. Should you wish to contribute homemade cakes/slices/biscuits for the Cake Stall at the Twilight Fair, please feel free to take home a Cake Stall Donation Kit located in the Narthex. Extra cake kits and packaging are available from the OLPH school office. Thank you for your contribution and should you have any questions, please contact Leahe on 0418 106 931.

# Saturday Vigil—cancelled 22 October

Please note that as the Fete will be a twilight one, Fr Dispin has decided that the 5:00pm Vigil Mass at Our Lady's will not take place on 22 October.

#### **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 udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd

# 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> 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 125<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### Car Park

Please note changed arrow directions in newly surfaced car park.

# **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.

# **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.

#### This week on the Journey (Ep 479)

On the Journey this week: Deacon James Arblaster's Gospel reflection on faith and gratitude. Mother Hilda on the African philosophy of Ubuntu which translated means I am because you are. A faith testimony from Dominic Beltrame (NET member from Vancouver). Plus, Fr Mike Delaney on his daily highs and lows and seeing the power of God working in his life and inn the lives of others, Deacon Josh Clayton looking at the impact water has on us and the life that it brings, 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. Got friends or family who you'd like to hear this show ever week? All you've got to do is send them this email and they can subscribe by clicking here.

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# 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

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

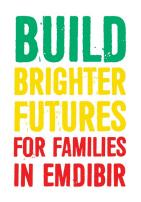
# God is speaking to us

A particular Bible verse keeps coming back to us.

Have we ever experienced being reminded of the same verse again and again? If a certain Bible verse keeps appearing in front of us wherever we go, consider it as a sign. The Lord may be using that verse as a reminder or warning about our current situation.

If we keep getting the same verse, pray and ask God to open our eyes to what He wants to show us. Meditate on the verse and find out how it applies to our circumstance. We can also ask a spiritual leader to explain the verse to us.

# Catholic Mission Appeal - Sunday 23 October



In two weeks' time, in celebration of World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will share with us the life-changing work of Fr Habte, the Church and community as they work to expand the current Deberety Farm to include a goat rearing centre, providing agricultural training and employment for the local community.

In walking with his community and experiencing their challenges, he is compelled to respond and invites us to join him in that mission.

We hope you will join us in supporting this life-changing program.



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





# Stewardship Corner

"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Luke 17:18

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

# **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

# **OLPH GAMES AFTERNOON!**

First Sunday of every month 1:30 – 4:00pm

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





Bring a small plate to share for afternoon

# **Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham**

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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

# October is "Seniors' Month" and various events will be held across St Johns community.

Bookings via Mitcham Parish office 9401 6366

# Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

Bus outing to St Patrick Cathedral tour, walk to Fitzroy Garden and lunch out. Departure from St John's @ 10:30am

Cost: meals between \$15 and \$25

Booking: required, please note for legal requirements, everyone must be able to get on and off the bus independently

# Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Café @ St John's please come, enjoy a cuppa & chat with friends. Following the 10am Mass

Time: 10:30am to 11:30am Venue: Church Narthex

# 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.