



St. John's Parish Mitcham

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PALM SUNDAY

Sunday 29 March —Year A

**He was not crucified alone,
and he is not crucified alone today.**

We're all part of Jesus,
he has no body now but ours,
he suffers today in his people,
and he suffers in you.

**He was not crucified alone,
and he is not crucified alone today.**

Are you ill? He suffers in your illness.
Are you lonely? He suffers in your loneliness.
Are you homeless? He suffers in your homelessness.
Have you been neglected? He suffers in your neglect.
Have you been abused? He suffers in your abuse.
Have you been despairing? He suffers in your despair.
Are you victimised by greed? He suffers with you.

He has no body now on earth but yours.

He was consoled by the look of Mary—his mother,
by the touch of Veronica—his consoler,
by the helping hand of Simon—his cross-carrier,
by the quiet presence of John—his friend.

You are Jesus.

And you are Mary, Veronica, Simon, John,
his helpers on the way of the Cross.

You are the body of Christ.

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and he is not crucified alone today.**

St John the Evangelist Parish acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people of the wider Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of this land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

"St John's Parish community, is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards & acknowledges that Child Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility."



Parish Information

Normal Weekend Mass Times

St John's: Sat Vigil, 6pm, Sun 8.30am, 9.45am, 11.15am, 5pm

Our Lady's: Sat Vigil 5pm, Sun 9.30am

Parish Office Hours (Parish Office is closed on Mondays):

Tuesday-Friday 9am-3.30pm

Parish Secretary: Manuela Brambilla

Bereavement Ministry: Jenny Kearney 0413 826 468

Pastoral Care: Loredana Iacobucci 0423 313 336

Christian Meditation Group: Chris Ryan

House of Books (house next door to the Church): 9401 6306

RE for Government Schools: Trish Chaston trish.chaston@cam.org.au

Safeguarding Committee Co-ordinator: Manuela Brambilla

Visitation and Communion to the Sick & Housebound:

Co-ordinator: Cath Brindle

Parish Priest Fr Dispin John

Supported by Fr Michael Kelly, CSSR and Fr Maurie Cooney

St John's School

494 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 9874 1575

Principal: Mrs Verona Gridley

vgridley@sjmitcham.catholic.edu.au

St James School

51 Centre Road, Vermont, 9874 1830

Principal: Mr Dave Mutimer

principal@sjvermont.catholic.edu.au

Services:

St Vincent De Paul:

Shop 2/82 Maroondah Hwy Ringwood 9870 9124

Welfare Assistance 1800 305 330

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE
ON 9401 6366 OR VIA EMAIL MITCHAM@CAM.ORG.AU
TO ACCESS ANY OF THESE PEOPLE OR SERVICES

Parish Information & Daily Readings

Scripture Readings for week

Mon: Isaiah 42:1-7	Jn 12:1-11
Tue: Isaiah 49:1-6	Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed: Isaiah 50:4-9	Mt 26:14-25
Thu: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14	Jn 13:1-15
Fri: Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12	Jn 18:1 – 19:42
Sat: Romans 6:3-11	Mt 28:1-10

EASTER SUNDAY

Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

Weekday Masses

	St John's	Our Lady's
Tue	10am Mass	6pm Mass
Wed	10am Mass	
Thur	7.30pm Mass	6pm Mass
Fri	3pm Mass	3pm Mass



Today, we wave our palms, and remember Jesus's grand entrance into Jerusalem. If Christ is our priority every day, how can we go out of our way to celebrate our hope in him?

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for those who have died recently especially **Peter Paul, Fr Albert Leopoldo Bernal, SSP, Ben Martin and Roslyn Chirackal** and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time including **Luigi Gino Della Gatta, Marilyn Bulseco, Ricardo Bulseco, George Arulanandam, Iluminada Santiago, Angiolina Del ondo, Janice Graham and Christine Kelly**



Tuesday Mass for healing of the sick



Prayers are offered and are followed by a **Novena of Saint Mary MacKillop**. If you know of someone who might need our special prayers or to be added to the Novena List please email the parish office mitcham@cam.org.au and leave a message for those you wish to be prayed for **by Monday afternoons**. Keeping you in our prayers. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to keep the name/s of your loved one, as we are updating the current list."

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

Plaques for this pastoral project may be ordered at any time for any deceased person who either was a parishioner at St John's or who was buried from St John's Church. The forms are in the Newsstands. **These forms now include the Interment of Ashes at St. John's.** The completed forms can be handed into the Parish Office.
Enquiries: Parish Office 9401 6366



	St John's 7.30pm	St John's 8.30am	St. John's 9.45am	St John's 11.15am	St John's 5.00pm
C'Tator Lectors	G Rodrigues S Rodrigues	A Buchanan C Ryan	N Vernal H Wursthorn	D Kennedy J Kiekebosch	K Harvey M Lambert
Eucharist	M Webb M Pinto Y Martin	M Coghlan R Smith G Smith	T Harkin A Martonyi H Wursthorn	M Battagello C Brindle A Glenn C Lowry	M Kristan S Partridge M Campbell
Laptop operator Children Liturgist	T Tan	C Almeida	L Wursthorn Aidan	A Jose Jenny	

Share the Joy of the Risen Lord!
 You are invited to the
Easter Lunch
 at **St John's**
 on **Sunday 5 April at 12.30pm**

If you are spending Easter by yourself or if you simply want to share the joy of the Risen Lord with other people please join us at the Easter lunch that will be held at St John's in the Coghlan centre.

The food will be offered by the Parish and you are invited to bring a sweet plate that you normally love to eat at Easter to share.

If anyone feels to give a donation for the lunch please contact the parish office and we thank you in advance for your generosity.

RSVP by Thursday 2nd April at the Parish office by phone 9401 6366 or by email

mitcham@cam.org.au

Acts of the Apostles
Scripture Study
Part 1: Chapters 1-15

During the coming Easter season, read about the beginning of the early church, as the Apostles spread the Gospel from Jerusalem to the world.

Beginning Tuesday **April 14th** for six weeks

Mornings: 10.45am – 12.15pm

St John's Church

Evenings: 7.30 – 9pm

Home in Patrick Court, Mitcham

(Zoom option available)

- For Bible 'beginners' as well as those with more experience
- Personal study between sessions (1-2 hours)
- Weekly group meeting and discussion
- Wrap-up video lecture that develops and clarifies the themes of the session

Cost: \$30 for the course book

Facilitator: Lorraine McCarthy

More information and registration:

Email: raine613@bigpond.com

Link: <https://forms.gle/ob3u44hs9AcW2ToXA>



ST VINCENT DE PAUL— APRIL—FOOD

Donations can now be left in the plastic tub in the **Narthex**. We are currently requesting: **coffee, rice, tinned vegetables long life milk. All Enquiries to Danny Rafferty 0437 498 877**



National Walk for Truth 2026, April 19-May 27th

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander: Truth and Justice

The Walk for Truth is a national journey led by Travis Lovett, an Aboriginal - Kerrupmara Gunditjmarra - man, and former Deputy Chair and Commissioner, of Victoria's Truth Telling / **Yoorrook Justice Commission**. Travis is currently the Executive Director of the Centre for Truth Telling and Dialogue, University of Melbourne calling for truth-telling, healing and meaningful change. All are invited to take part in the **National Walk for Truth**, travelling from Victorian Parliament in Melbourne/ Naarm to Parliament House in Canberra on Ngunnawal and Ngambri Country. The walk begins at Victorian Parliament House, where the first Walk for Truth (2025) concluded, and continues to Parliament House in Canberra, where participants will call for national truth-telling, healing and meaningful change. The *National* Walk for Truth calls on the Federal Government to commit to a national truth-telling process developed in genuine partnership with First Nations peoples. Will you join us? The walk begins on Sunday 19 April and concludes in Canberra on Wednesday 27 May, during National Reconciliation Week. Expected dates for each leg of the walk are listed [here/](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/national-walk-for-truth-tickets-1984591691172) at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/national-walk-for-truth-tickets-1984591691172> You are invited to **"Walk with us"**. And, or please show your support by signing the open letter to the Prime Minister calling for a national truth-telling commission [here](https://www.walkfortruth.com/). For more information go to <https://www.walkfortruth.com/>. To join us on part of the walk contact Georgina / Michael Gartland on 0412 396 388 or 0480 111/255

✦ **ST JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP** ✦

1st Sunday of Every Month
5PM-8PM

Next gathering will be held on Sunday 3rd May

We start at **5PM Mass**

Then head to the Zebedee Room for:

- 🍕 Pizza 🗨 Real conversations
- 📖 Bible reflections (Sunday readings)
- 🎮 Games + good vibes

A place to belong, to grow and to have fun.

Bring a friend & come through!

For more info please contact the Parish Office at 9401 6366 or mitcham@cam.org.au

HOUSE OF BOOKS

Monday—Friday 10am - 4pm

Saturday 10am-1pm

Closed Sundays & Public Holidays.



The shop has a great range of good quality second hand books at very low prices. Proceeds support St John's and St Vincent de Paul. Phone: 9401 6306

HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE PARISH

The QR Code is unique to St John's Church and will give parishioners direct access to our account. To make a payment, parishioners simply scan our QR code with their mobile phone and follow a few easy steps.



Thank you for your continued support

If you would like to support our Parish via **TAP and GO** please use the terminals located in the narthex and in the church. All you need to do is to select the amount displayed and tap the terminal with your credit card / debit card / smart phone or smart watch—your contribution will go straight into our Church account.

If you would like to **contribute to the support of our Priests** here are the Bank details:

Account name: St Johns Presbytery Account
BSB 083347
ACCT NO. 459 634 437