



St. John's Parish Mitcham

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday 8 June 2025 —Year C

Renew—refresh



Holy Spirit,
Refresh the face of the earth;
refresh like the cool wind through humid air,
refresh like cooling rain in stagnant water,
refresh like greenery in the burnt desert -
and refresh tired hopes,
dull love,
broken trust,
with gentle confidence
with new visions of each other,
with a belief in goodness,
refresh and renew us.

Refresh our country
with compassion in politics,
with peace based on justice,
with respect for the dignity of all,
and a genuine care for those in need,
and politics to end inequality.

Refresh families with tolerance,
communities with openness,
whole neighbourhoods with involvement.

Refresh our prayer with your love,
our sorrow with your forgiveness,
our generosity with your call.

Refresh us,
renew us,
renew the face of the earth.



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 Maurice 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: Genesis 3:9-15. 20

Mt 5:1-12

Tue: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Mt 5:13-16

Wed: Acts of the Apostles 11:21-26; 13:1-3

Mt 5:17-19

Thu: 2 Corinthians 3:15 – 4:1, 3-6

Mt 5:20-26

Fri: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15

Mt 5:27-32

Sat: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Mt 5:33-37

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Proverbs 8:22-31

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

Weekday Masses

	St John's	Our Lady's
Tue	10am Mass	6pm Mass
Wed	10am Mass	
Thur	No Mass	9.15am Mass
Fri	9am Mass SJV 10am Mass SJM	

Before Ezekiel witnessed the valley of dry bones coming to life, he had to walk among them and experience the desolation. Sometimes God leads us into a place of death and dryness, perhaps so that we perceive just how desperate we are for life.

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for those who have died recently and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time including **Daryl Eldridge, Patrick John Downward, Mary Monica Gomez, Josefa Lentejas Torres, Dennis Choo, William Tan, Anna Choo, Jim Coghlan, Zita O'Kane and Estelle Chapman**



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."

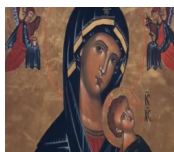
ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

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**



June 14/15	St John's 6.00pm	St John's 8.30am	St. John's 9.45am	St John's 11.15am	St John's 5.00pm
C'Tator Lectors	S Rodrigues G Rodrigues	C Ryan A Buchanan	N Vernal H Wursthorn	J Kiekebosh D Kennedy	
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 A Jose	M Kristan M Campbell S Partridge
Laptop operator	T Tan	C Almeida	L Wursthorn		
Children Liturgist			N Christina	M Hendrianto	

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
RINGWOOD NEWS**



Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 5pm
Sunday at 9.30am

Weekday service

6.00pm Tue: Mass and Novena
9.15am Thurs: Mass

Ringwood Parish website:

<http://pol.org.au/ringwood/Home.aspx>

Phone: 0468 589 039



LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY

Come and pray the Holy Rosary at St John's on the first Friday of the month at 9.30am.

MORNING TEA

Every Sunday after the **8.30am and 9.45am** Mass you are invited to share a cuppa and a chat in the narthex with other parishioners.

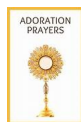


**Children's Liturgy at St John's
Every Sunday at 9.45 and 11.15am
during school term**



Children will move to the Narthex of Church for their own Liturgy of the Word.
All ages welcome.

PRAISE AND ADORATION NIGHT



Join us for
PRAISE AND ADORATION
on Friday **13th June at 7.30pm**
at St John's Church

*Unite in praise through contemporary song
Followed by contemplative Eucharistic adoration.
A moment to reconnect, to be renewed
and to rest in His grace.*

Music by Genevieve Bryant

HOUSE OF BOOKS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

2025 marks the 25th year of operation of St John's House of Books. The bookshop has contributed greatly to the life of the Parish and to St Vincent de Paul.

A celebration marking the 25th birthday of the shop will be held on this **Sunday 8th June** after the 11.15 am Mass at St John's. All volunteers and supporters, past and present are welcome to attend.



BAPTISM

Today we welcome

**Gabriel Ballestrin, Lucas Ballestrin,
Sofia Marshall Luongo, Avery Austin,
Joseph Andrew Kay**

*into the life of the Catholic Church
through the Community of St John's*

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION FOR 2025

"Come and See"

John said, "Look, there is the lamb of God"... The disciples asked "Where do you live?"... "Come and see", Jesus replied. Jn 1:36-39



Our next gathering will be on Monday evening, **June 16th** at 7.30pm. Consistent meditation is known to help 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. Free of charge. All welcome. All enquiries Chris Ryan at the Parish Office, 9401 6366 - or simply turn up on the night. Looking forward to seeing you!

JOURNEY THROUGH LOSS

When we lose a loved one, the emotions can be overwhelming, grieving can take many forms.

Our friendly and informal gathering gives an opportunity to support each other as we journey through grief and loss.

Please join us:

**Every second Wednesday of the month at
10:30am**

St John's Parish Office

*"But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength".
2 Timothy 4:17*

Gold coin donation welcome

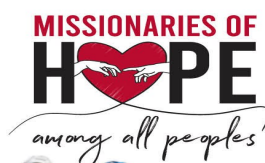
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

Do you have project management experience and would you like to work on your leadership skills? Do you already have these skills? Have you thought about volunteering to help you along?



The Fete Committee requires a new chairperson to run its meetings and to keep a great group of generous and skilled volunteers on track. Mentoring is available.

For more information please contact the Parish office.



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely.

The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to be 'Missionaries of hope among all peoples', and we invite you to extend Christ's love to those in need in Zambia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mission, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



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



**TO ALL THE PAST & PRESENT
ST JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL DADS**

Join us for a PIE NIGHT

As winter rolls in, what better way to wind down the weekend than with some footy, a hot meat pie and good company.

Bring your stories –
and maybe even a drink to share.

SUNDAY 15th JUNE – 3PM till 7PM

Where: Zebedee Area @ St Johns
BYO: Your drinks

RSVP

Rohan Sutton 0403 199 100

Nick McKay 0417 032 833

By Thursday 12 June.

Hope to see you there and have a great yarn!

ST JOHN'S DINNER DANCE '25

Dance the night away with...

Summer Breeze

Guest Performance—**Genevieve Bryant**



Saturday 5 July 2025

from 7pm to 12 midnight

St John's Parish Hall,
494 Whitehorse Rd, Mitcham

Donation: **\$50 per person**

Sumptuous buffet dinner by

Sanni 18—BYO drinks

Proceeds to assist St John's Parish

Contact

Max—0478 323 037

Anton—0408 950 334

Parish Office—9401 6366

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

ST JOHN'S CAFE

Please come, enjoy a cuppa & chat with friends in the Narthex following the 10am Mass.

All are welcome

When: Friday 27 June

Time: 10:30am to 11:30am

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

Next Sunday we will be having the Annual St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. There will be a leaving collection at all Masses. Donations envelopes will also be available at the Church doorways for those who wish to receive a receipt or donate via a credit card. It would be appreciated if these could be returned to the Church via the Collections, handed in at the parish Office or posted to St Vincent de Paul Society Address as shown on the envelopes.

In the last financial year in Victoria alone, St Vincent de Paul Society members provided over \$20.5 million in assistance. This is \$1.2 million more than the previous year. As you can see, the need is growing and we would greatly appreciate your assistance with raising funds to enable us to continue our good works.

We are so grateful for your previous support of our appeals, and I would like to express our sincere gratitude on behalf of those we assist. This is an essential lifeline to people experiencing poverty and difficulty in our local communities.

CARE CONNECT GROUP

Are you a carer? Do you feel a bit overwhelmed at times? Maybe you might like to come along to the Carer Connect Group!

When: Every second Saturday of the month, 10:00-11:30 am

Where: 8a Surrey St, Ringwood

Who: For anyone in a caring role - whether you are a parent looking after a child with special needs, somebody caring for an elderly relative, a partner, or working in the caring professions.

What: A time to chat, share our wins and struggles, connect with God during a gentle meditation, and share our self care tips so you can carry on being the amazing carer you are!

Call or message Alys on 0400896542 if you would like to come along.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL— JUNE—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**



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