



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

13 September 2026

Parish Information

Parish Priest

Fr Dispin John

Assisted by

Fr Michael Kelly CSsR

Fr Len Size (retired)

Fr Maurie Cooney (retired)

Parish Catechist

Trish Chaston

Pastoral Care Worker

Loredana Iacobucci

Parish Secretary

Janine Meades

Office hours

Mon, Tues, Fri 9:30-2:30

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Week Day Masses

Tuesday 6:00p.m. Mass and Novena

Thursday 9:15 a.m.

First Thursday—Healing Mass

Confessions

Thursday 9:45 a.m.

Baptism

Please contact the office.

Weddings

Please contact the office.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

Principal: Jenny Rohan

admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au

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SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2026: 'LOVE AND PROTECT'

Catholics around Australia will mark Safeguarding Sunday on September 13. The 2026 theme "Love Protects" recognises that safeguarding is a practical expression of Christian love.

When communities prioritise the safety, dignity, and wellbeing of children, young people and vulnerable adults, they embody the love and care that is at the heart of the Gospel.

"'Love Protects' reminds us that genuine love is demonstrated through action," said chair of the Bishops Commission for Professional Standards and Safeguarding, Bishop Greg Bennet. "Safeguarding is an essential part of our mission and ministry. It calls each of us to be attentive, accountable and committed to ensuring that every person can participate in the life of the Church safely and with confidence."

Safeguarding Sunday also provides an opportunity to acknowledge the work of clergy, staff, volunteers and safeguarding leaders who work to foster cultures of safety and trust throughout church communities.

Their dedication strengthens the Church's commitment to preventing harm, responding appropriately to concerns and promoting the dignity of every person.

As faith communities gather to mark Safeguarding Sunday, we are encouraged to reflect on the example of Jesus, who welcomed and protected the vulnerable and marginalised. His ministry inspires the Church's commitment to care, respect, and justice.

"Love protects when we listen. Love protects when we act. Love protects when we place the wellbeing of others at the centre of our decisions and our ministry," Bishop Bennet said. "Together, we can build communities where every person is valued, respected and safe."

May this parish be a true sanctuary, safe for the smallest among us, attentive to the most vulnerable, honest with the truth, and faithful to the God whose love always protects.



<https://easy-peasy.ai/ai-image-generator/images/watercolor-painting-divine-love-compassion>

The Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Ringwood is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Parish Ministries

September 12/13

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Carla Jansen, Christian Gunawan

Eucharist: Angela Truillo, Frances Cassidy,
Carmel Risson

Music: Guitar Group **Laptop:** Elsa Castellino

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Evelyn Randrup, Emily Thomas

Eucharist: Breeda Cleary, Shiny Kurian,
Samantha David

Music: Our Lady's Singers

Laptop: Bob Munro

Children's Liturgy: Ingrid Scott

Morning Tea: PJ & Mel Gigli

Vacuuming: Frank Mount

September 19/20

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Maria Cruz, Noah Berketa

Eucharist: Margaret Ryan, Kate & Andy Coombs

Music: Alys Cavanagh

Laptop: Joshua Berketa

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Angela Lacey, Kerry Peterson

Eucharist: Paula & Jim Corcoran, Rob Zaar

Music: Christian Gunawan

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Morning Tea: Glynis Misquitta & Christine O'Leary

Vacuuming: Jerome Naiht

Flowers

Week 1 & 2—Elizabeth & Regina (Polish Community)

Week 3— Jasmine

Week 4 — Tung and Friends

Week 5—Glynis & Pol (Filipino Community)

Linen: September—Marie Woodward

Parish Sacramental Program

For those not attending the Parish School, email
trish.chaston@cam.org.au

Children's Liturgy—Sunday 9:30am Mass

Each Sunday during the school term. All school
age children are welcome to attend.

Community Masses

Polish Mass 8:00am—**October 4**

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm—**September 27**

Filipino Mass 5:00pm —**September 27**

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families
and loved ones who care for them: Marg Roper

For those who have died recently: Maurie Moore

For those whose memories are sacred to us:



Our Lady's Fete—Getting Involved

There are many fun ways to get involved or help:

- Pre-loved clothes only: please start sorting through your wardrobes! - Donations will be accepted at the school office or church next term
- Pre-loved Books: we'll be accepting donations (see notice below)
- We would love to hear from anyone who can volunteer to help at the fete: set up, pack up or on the day.
- If you're good with plants, please grow us some!
- Sponsors & Silent Auction Donations: Goods or services that people can bid for - please contact olringwoodfete@gmail.com

We will also be looking for people to:

- make cakes, baked goods and other home-made treats for the cake stall
- bake scones for the Devonshire teas stall
- sell raffle tickets.

More info from school or parish office, or Midge Philips 0439218447

Fete Book Stall

Once again, it's almost time for our Parish Fete and its popular Book Stall. And once again, we need your donations. So it is time for the big Spring Clean. Our most popular sellers are Children's Books and Adult Fiction. But our patrons enjoy books on Gardening, Cooking, Arts & Craft, Travel and Hobbies. We also sell CDs, DVDs and Records.

During the upcoming school holidays, please do your spring cleaning. Then, after the school holidays, please drop off your donations at Our Lady's School or the Parish Office.

Lost Property/Found Items

Occasionally there may be small items such as eyeglasses, earplugs etc left in the church. If found please hand to the Sacristan or Father who will place them in the basket provided. People will often call looking for their left items.

Funerals this Week

Tuesday 15 September 12:00 pm —Janina Rozmeij

Friday 18th September 11:30—Maurie Moore

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. We provide equipment and a cuppa. You give us \$3 and energy. New players welcome.

ENROLMENTS are now OPEN for Our Lady's School

HAVE YOU ENROLLED YOUR CHILD FOR PREP 2027?

If you have a child ready for Prep 2027, we encourage you to: **ENROL NOW:**

click on this link <https://www.olingwood.catholic.edu.au/apply-now/> Please share this link with your friends and families to embrace the beautiful culture of Our Lady's in Ringwood.

Prayer Service of Lament—4:00pm 15 September 2026

This Service, held in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral, is an occasion to humbly stand alongside those who have suffered abuse, and all who continue to carry its lasting effects.



Caritas Australia: Nepal Floods Appeal

Caritas Australia is working with Caritas Nepal and local partners to provide lifesaving assistance, including emergency shelter, food, safe drinking water, healthcare and protection support for affected families.

Together, we can provide urgent relief and hope to families rebuilding their lives in Nepal.

To donate to the Caritas Australia Nepal Floods Appeal, visit www.caritas.org.au/nepal or call 1800 024 413.

Spirituality Dinner

The next Spirituality Dinner at the Janssen Spirituality Centre (JSC), Boronia, is on Friday 18th September, 5:30-8:30pm. The topic is 'Understanding Interculturality in the Biblical Context'. The Presenter is Fr. Christopher Monaghan, a Passionist priest and respected Scripture scholar, who has taught both New and Old Testaments at Yarra Theological Union (YTU), part of the University of Divinity, since 1987, and has served as President of YTU. The evening includes a 3-course dinner. Suggested donation \$35 pp. Booking: RSVP by Monday 14th Tel. 9762 6625; Mobile: 0432 261 194 (Fr. Thien) Email: enquiries@janssencentre.au Web: www.janssencentre.au Bank Acc. Name: Divine Word Missionaries BSB: 063108; Ac. No.: 1050 6541 Under Description: Your Name All are welcome!

Outer Eastern Treaty Education & Solidarity Night, September 22nd 7pm

Learn about Australia's first Treaty and how we got here. Last year the State of Victoria signed the first Treaty with Victoria's First Peoples Assembly.

Treaty is something for all Victorians to be proud of. But did you know that right now, Treaty is under threat. After a decade in the making, it is so important that the Statewide Treaty be upheld. Treaty is good news for all. Treaty brings much hope, healing and unity.

Assembly Members from Gellung Warl and Together for Treaty will be speaking. We all agree Treaty should be above party politics and this is why Treaty education, and these respectful conversations are so important. Registrations necessary. For more information or to register <https://events.humanitix.com/eastern-treaty-education-solidarity-night>

Scripture Readings Next Weekend

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Phil 1:20-24, 27

Mt 20:1-16

Daily Readings

There is a link on the parish website to the Readings of the Day. It can be found using the dropdown menu under Services tab located in the top right hand corner.

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/ringwood>

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

If you or someone you know would like to have a chat, a visit or receive communion at home please call Loredana on 0423 313 336 or e-mail

Morning Tea

Why not stay awhile after 9:30 Mass for a cuppa and find someone you haven't met yet? A good way to grow our community.



Synod Corner

Synodality and the Holy Spirit



At the heart of synodality is trust in the Holy Spirit. Without prayer, synodality becomes mere strategy. With prayer, it becomes a path of grace.

Time Out Gathering

A great opportunity for older members of the parish to get together.

We meet and share a lunch in the narthex at 12 noon on the 3rd Wednesday of the month

On the 1st Wed. we gather to Dine Out at a local venue. (contact Alan/ Maree 0467 683 051)

Morning melodies (Contact Barbara Cosgriff 0412 522 865)

More information call Lyn Bolton 0478787480 or Margaret O'Loughlin 0400 984 647

Child Safety

The Child Safety Officers identified by a name tag should be the 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.**

Stewardship Corner

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's."

– ROMANS 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.

<https://resources.archstl.org/article/717499/weekly-bible-reflections>

Supporting the Parish/Church Donate using:

Direct credit/debit

QR Code

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Envelopes placed in collection

Tap and Go Machines



Supporting the Priest/Presbytery

Loose cash in the collection.

Direct Debit /credit card

Direct deposit: Account name: St Johns Presbytery Account

BSB 083347 ACCT NO. 459 634 437

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: 7:30pm

Time Out: Third Wednesday of Month 12 noon

ST VINCENT de PAUL

RINGWOOD CONFERENCE DONATION OPTION

If you wish to donate directly, our Bank Account details are:

A/C Name: SVDP Vic-Conf Gift Account

BSB: 063003 A/C No: 10081787 Ref: Ringwood Conf 447
behalf of the Conference thank you for your donation.

St Vincent de Paul

For welfare enquiries please call Vinnies on 1800 305 330
Mon-Fri 10am –3pm

**The piety stall has available items for Sacraments:
stoles, cards, gifts.**

Opened: After 5:00pm Mass Saturday night and after 9:30 am
Mass Sunday.

If we do not have what you are looking for, please advise, we
are more than happy to order requests. Please note we will no
longer be opened on the afternoon of the fourth Sunday of the
month.

CASH ONLY—Sorry.

Sharing from St. John's Parish Mitcham

Phone: 03 9401 6366 or 0402 330 128

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

Venue hire— St Johns

Call Manuela at St John's Parish Office for more
information. <https://stjohnsmitcham.com.au/venue-hire>

ST JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP ✦

1st Sunday of Every Month 5PM–8PM

We start at **5PM Mass** then head to the Zebedee Room

For more info please contact the Parish Office at

9401 6366 or mitcham@cam.org.au

Journey through loss—2nd Wednesday of the Month

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. *Gold coin* donation welcome.

House of Books

Monday—Friday 10am - 4pm Saturday 10am-1pm

Closed Sundays & Public Holidays.

Finished your 'to be read pile'? Looking for a good book to
read? Visit the House of Books, located at 508 Whitehorse
Rd, Mitcham, next to St. John's Church. All books, CD's and
DVD's have been donated and there are books for every
taste, including fiction and non-fiction and an extensive
children's section. Prices generally range from \$1-\$5.

**COME & TRY**

FREE TRAINING - TERM 4!



WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS
HE Parker, Heathmont Road, Heathmont

Jump on court and join our training
program for FREE! Every Wednesday
throughout Term 4 (excluding 29 Oct).

4pm - 5pm: Under 9 - Under 15 players
5pm - 6pm: Under 17 players

CALL OR EMAIL TODAY!

MORE INFO:
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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri People as the traditional custodians of this land and pay respects to their Elders past and present. We acknowledge that this land continues to be sacred to them.