



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Third Sunday of Easter (Year A)

19 April 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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A LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCE

*"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves
those crushed in spirit."*

~ Psalm 34:18 ~

Life-changing experiences often arrive unexpectedly, reshaping the path we once felt certain about. These may include the loss of a loved one, a serious health diagnosis, losing a job, moving away from familiar surroundings or a breakdown in a relationship. Even positive changes, like becoming a parent, beginning a new relationship or discovering a new purpose, can stretch us in ways we did not anticipate.

In these moments, it is important to remember that within you lies a quiet strength, ready to carry you through. You may not feel it immediately, but it is there, growing as you take each step forward. Give yourself permission to pause, reflect and care for your well-being. Healing is not something to rush; it unfolds gradually as you process your emotions and begin to regain your footing.

You do not have to face these challenges alone. Support from loved ones, along with professional guidance when needed, can help you navigate uncertain times with greater clarity and courage. With patience, compassion and a willingness to move forward, hope can gently re-emerge and a renewed sense of direction can begin to take shape.



*"Dear Lord, be close to all who are facing change and uncertainty.
Bring them peace, strength and hope for the days ahead. Amen."*

Sourced from www.majellan.media

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

**18/19 April
Saturday 5:00**

Lectors: Maria Cruz, Frances Cassidy

Eucharist: Kate & Andy Coombs

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

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Angela Lacey, Kerry Peterson

Eucharist: Paula & Jim Corcoran,

Music: Christian Gunawan

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Morning Tea: Glynis Misquitta & Christine O'Leary

25/26 April

Lectors: Matt Giuliano, Jennifer Tolcher

Eucharist: Cheryl Tay, Margaret Roper,
Brian Du Bois

Music: Christian Gunawan **Laptop:** Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Jim Fuller, John Noronha

Eucharist: Tess Repalust, Evelyn Randrup,

Music: Our Lady's Singers **Laptop:** Bob Munro

Children's Liturgy: Tess Rapalust

Morning Tea: Joyce Dean & Sarah

Flowers

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

Week 3 & 4 — Margaret (Zomi Community)

Week 5—Glynis & Pol (Filipino Community)

April linen: — Marie Woodward

Link for Readings of the Day

<https://universalis.com/australia.melbourne/20240301/mass.htm>

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.

1st Sunday of the Month—May 3

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—April 26

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm

Filipino Mass 5:00pm

Please pray...

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

For those who have died recently: Vasilika Tasevski

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Angela Passmore, Oscar Estrada



Scripture Readings Next Weekend

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 36-41

Ps 22:1-6

1 Pet 2:20-25

Jn 10:1-10

Focus on Ministry

Memorial Garden

Volunteer Apprentice Required

Tasks: Attach plaques to wall when required (maybe 1-5 times a year), light gardening, general maintenance. On the job training given—apply at the parish office.



St V de P Food Donations

St Vincent de Paul in Ringwood is in need of food donations for our Ringwood companions.

Pantry staples such as; tea, coffee, cereal, pasta and pasta sauce, soup cans/packs, baked beans, tinned fruit & veg and biscuits would be appreciated. No soft drink, lollies, chips or popcorn please

Let's get together for a perfumed afternoon.

Dried lavender is waiting to be made into beautiful lavender bags.

These will be sold on Mother's Day and the money will go to the Parish. Come along. Afternoon tea is part of the deal.

Where: 18 Pinewood Ave Ringwood East

When: Wednesday 29th April

Time: 1.30 or when you arrive

Welcome to all, Lyn Bolton



Good Shepherd Sunday – Next Weekend

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week. You might know of a young person in the parish, in your family or an acquaintance whom you think would make a good priest or religious. Why not pray for them by name on a regular basis. Sometimes the Lord uses us as his instruments to encourage vocations.

Stewardship Envelopes

If you donate using envelopes the new packs for 2026/2027 are available in the narthex this weekend. Please note money placed in these envelopes is designated for the parish not the presbytery.

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.

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.**

Safeguarding Compliance for Volunteers

If you undertake any volunteer role within the parish you are required to:

- Have undergone a Working With Children (WWC) Check
- Signed the Code of Conduct
- Undertaken the online training session.

If you are a lector, special minister, sing in the choir, a musician, arrange the flowers, assist with the garden, wash the church linen, take children's liturgy, serve morning tea, visitations, etc. the above must be undertaken for compliance to the Archdiocese Safeguarding Policy. Please check you have done all listed. Call the office if you need assistance.

Your role as a volunteer is very much appreciated by the parish.

Permanent Diaconate Information Session 2 May 2026

The annual May Information session has been scheduled. The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and the 50s, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. It is an ordained ministry of service. The information session is open to **everyone interested in learning more about the permanent diaconate**. If you have attended any previous session, you are also welcome to attend this session. It is an opportunity to further discern your vocation. Wives most welcome.

The session will be on Saturday morning, 2nd May **10.00am–11.30am** and will be in person. If you are interested email Deacon Kevin Pattison Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au with full name and parish, but **if you forget, then just turn up** on Saturday morning. All are welcome.

Venue Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne

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.

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

If you or someone you know would like to have a chat or a visit, please call Loredana on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au.

Synod Corner

Who participates in a Synod?

A Synod involves the whole People of God: bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and lay faithful. Each has a distinct role, but all share responsibility for the Church's mission. Synodality does not blur roles—it helps each vocation flourish in service of the Gospel.



Time Out Gathering -15 April

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

OPEN DAY DATES

Tours at 9:30am & 1pm

TERM 1

Thursday 19th February
Friday 27th February
Thursday 12th March
Wednesday 25th March
Monday 30th March

TERM 2

Tuesday 21st April
Wednesday 6th May
Thursday 21st May
Friday 29th May

Our Lady's is a nurturing and inclusive Catholic school. Our students are provided with a high quality education where the wellbeing of each child is paramount.



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

Stewardship Corner

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" LUKE 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

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

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Please choose where you wish
your
support to go.



Supporting the Parish/Church Donate using:

Direct credit/debit
QR Code above
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

St Vincent de Paul Piety Stall CASH ONLY—Sorry.

The piety stall has available items for Sacraments: **stoles, cards, gifts.** **Opened:** After 5:00pm Mass Saturday and 9:30 am Mass Sunday. For welfare enquiries please call Vinnies on 1800 305 330 Mon-Fri 10am–3pm

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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.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month
Parish Finance Council:
Safeguarding Committee: 7:30pm
Time Out: Third Wednesday of Month 12 noon

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

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.

A place to grow.

A place to have fun.

Bring a friend & come through!

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

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. *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.