



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

26 July 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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TREASURES IN OUR MIDST

“The love and wisdom of older generations are gifts to be treasured.”

Have you ever stopped to think about how much our grandparents and older people in general have to offer? They have lived through many highs and lows, and each experience has given them something valuable to share. Their stories can make us smile, teach us important lessons and help us see life from a different perspective.

Many of them have spent years caring for their families, working hard and putting others first. Now, something as simple as sitting down for a chat, sharing a cup of tea or making a quick phone call can mean the world to them.

Our grandparents especially help us stay connected to our family's history. They pass on traditions, values and memories that remind us where we come from. Every moment spent with them is an opportunity to learn something new and create memories that will stay with us for years to come.

So, if you have an older person in your life, take the time to be with them. Listen to their stories, enjoy their company and let them know they are loved. Your time and kindness may seem like a small gesture, but to them it can bring great joy and remind them that they are cherished and an important part of our lives.



“Heavenly Father, bless our grandparents and all the elderly with health and happiness.

**May their wisdom guide us and their love surround us.
Grant them peace and joy, and may we honour and cherish them
always. 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

July 25/26

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Matt Giuliano, Jennifer Tolcher

Eucharist: Cheryl Tay, Margaret Roper,
Brian DuBois

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

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Jim Fuller, Samantha David

Eucharist: Tess Repalust, Evelyn Randrup,
Breedia Cleary

Music: Our Lady's Singers

Laptop: Danae Villani

Children's Liturgy: Tess Repalust

Morning Tea: Joyce Dean & Sarah

August 1/2

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Prudence Graf, Brian Dubois

Eucharist: Jennifer & Martin de Korte,
Brian Du Bois

Music: **Laptop:**

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Frances Cassidy, Marianne Magsalin.

Eucharist: Glynis Misquita, Bob Munro, Shiny Kurian

Music: **Laptop:**

Children's Liturgy: Jennifer Tolcher

Morning Tea: Danae & Rod Allison

Flowers

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

Week 3— Jasmine

Week 4 — Tung and Friends

Week 5—Glynis & Pol (Filipino Community)

Linen: July — Pat Smith

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—**July 26** (No mass August)

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm—**July 19**

Filipino Mass 5:00pm —**July 26**

Please pray...

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



For those who have died recently:

For those whose we remember or whose anniversaries occur at this time

Children's Liturgy

It's great to see so many children attending Children's Liturgy each Sunday. Please remember this is for school aged children.

Melbourne Synod 2026 – Theme Paper Release

The Synod theme papers are an important step in our journey of listening and discernment as we prepare for the Melbourne Synod. The papers aim to foster a spirit of hope and imagination—trusting that, as we walk together, God is calling us into a future marked by faithfulness, renewal, and deeper communion. The suggested reflection process is a 'Conversation in the Spirit' or a Spiritual Conversation. This method is based in prayer and allows people to come together to both speak and to listen. Different from a discussion, it is an attentive listening process that aims to discern where the Holy Spirit is leading us. At the conclusion of each theme paper, there are prompt questions for reflection. [Melbourne Synod 2026 | Melbourne Catholic](#).

We pray for the Melbourne Synod

That our preparations will be marked by wisdom in decision-making, courage in leadership, and humility in listening to one another.

May the Spirit guide our every conversation and action. Amen.

Catholic Digest

The latest edition is available in the narthex. Feel free to take one home for a read!

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.

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.olringwood.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.

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.**

You are invited to: *Acts of the Apostles Scripture Study* *Part Two: Chapters 15-28*

The Acts of the Apostles, Part Two (15:36–28:31) continues the story of the early church as it spreads the Gospel across the Roman Empire. Paul, a model of courage and missionary spirit, becomes our primary guide as we read of his long and at times perilous missionary journeys.

Beginning Tuesday August 4th for four weeks

Mornings: 10.30am – 12.00pm St John's Church Chapel

Evenings: 7.30 – 9pm Home in Patrick Court, Mitcham

This study is self-contained and does not presume you studied "Part One".

Newcomers, especially Bible 'beginners', are welcome.

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:

lorraine613@bigpond.com

Link: <https://forms.gle/ZdZzpfv1s1FpLSMo7>

QR Code:



The 5 Love Languages- The Secret to Love that Lasts: Enrichment Day for Couples

9 am-5 pm, Sat, 15 August 2026 @ St Eugene's Retreat & Conference Centre, 45 John Field Drive, Newborough (Gippsland) VIC 3825 For more information see flyer on noticeboard.

Scripture Readings Next Weekend

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12

Ps 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Rom 8:28-30

Mt 13:44-52

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 loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au.

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 joy



When people are invited to participate meaningfully, joy increases. A synodal Church is not weighed down by bureaucracy but energised by shared mission.

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

Bookshelf in the Narthex

It's good to see people borrowing books from, and donating books to, the bookshelf in the Narthex. If you are donating books, please remember they must be Christian books.

If you wish to donate any other kind of books, please hold on to them until our fete in October.



Stewardship Corner

"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." - ROMANS 8:28

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

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

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

Venue hire— St Johns

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

Supporting the Parish/Church Donate using:

Direct credit/debit

QR Code

Click [HERE](#)

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.

AN EVENING WITH

This time it is 'An evening with ST PAUL:

What sort of a person was he? What was the world of his day like? What influenced the way he wrote and travelled? Why has he had so much influence across the Christian story?

Led by Fr Brendan Byrne, renowned student and teacher of 'the Pauline story'.

Monday 27th July 7-9pm,

Coghlan Centre—St John's Hall

Drinks and nibbles. **EVERYONE** welcome

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.

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.