



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

17 March 2024

Parish Information

Parish Priest

Fr Dispin John

Assisted by

Fr Michael Kelly CSsR

Fr Len Size (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

2 Wilana Street, Ringwood

98707227

John 12:20-33

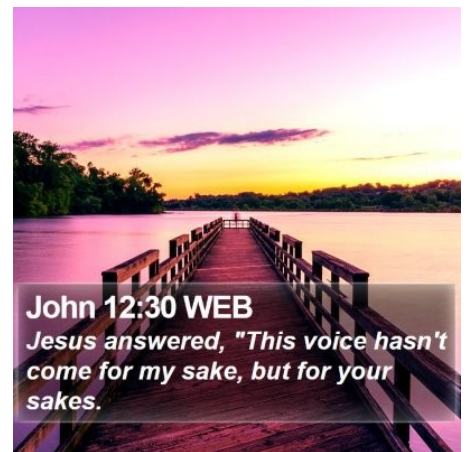
Jesus teaches his disciples about the way in which he will be glorified by God, and a voice from heaven is heard to affirm this teaching.

Family Connection

Family life is often a balancing act in which we prioritize and attend to a variety of competing needs. We learn the value of putting others' needs ahead of our own. In family life we also learn that when we make personal sacrifices to serve others, we gain so much more than we may have lost.

As you gather as a family, talk about how important it is to your family life to gladly serve one another. Ask each person to consider the last time that another family member asked for help. What was your response? Did you cheerfully try to honour the request, or did you ask "Why me?" Read today's Gospel, John 12:20-33. How do you think Jesus would want us to respond when someone in our family asks for help? Invite each family member to make a commitment for the next week to try to respond cheerfully to requests for help. Pray together, asking God's help with this commitment.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>



John 12:30 WEB
Jesus answered, "This voice hasn't come for my sake, but for your sakes."

Please pray...

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

For those who have died recently: For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Brian Wood

Readings next Week

Palm Sunday

Entrance: Mk 11:1-10
Is 50:4-7

Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Mk 14:1-15:47

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

Parish Ministries March 16/17

Lectors

Saturday 5:00pm Frances Cassidy
Amelia Mitchell

Sunday 9:30am Kerry Peterson
Angela Lacey

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00pm Carmel Risson
Margaret Roper

Sunday 9:30am Evelyn Randrup
Paula Corcoran
Jim Corcoran

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00pm Christian Gunawan
Laptop: Bob Munro

Sunday 9:30am Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Children's Liturgy

Ingrid Scott

Flowers

Week 1 & 3—Polish Community
Week 2 & 4— Zomi Community
Week 5—

Linen:

Children's Liturgy—Sunday 9:30am Mass

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

Parish Sacramental Program

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

1st Sunday of the Month—April 7

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—24 March

Zomi Community Mass—2:00pm
Filipino Mass: 5:00pm

Morning Tea

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

March 17—Team 3



Link for Readings of the Day

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

SVDP Easter Raffle

Tickets on sale from this weekend @ \$2.00 a ticket. There are 3 Prizes

Volunteers for Washing of the Feet Holy Thursday

If you are interested in being part of the ceremony please add your name to the clipboard in the narthex.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

If you are available to serve as Extraordinary minister of the Eucharist on Palm Sunday or for the Holy Week and Easter ceremonies, will you please fill in your name on the sheet on the clipboard in the narthex. Thank you.

Lenten Reconciliation Services

Our Lady's: 22 March @ 7:00pm

St Johns: 21 March @ 7:00pm

Stewardship Envelopes

The current set of envelopes finishes this weekend. The new sets are available in the narthex. This set is for a 12 month period. With most people giving via credit card or direct debit, the number of sets of envelopes ordered has been reduced. Therefore some parishioners will notice a change of envelope number. These have also been changed in the system.

Our Lady's Time Out

Time Out is celebrating its 30th birthday in April. This social group is made up of parishioners who are still very active in the parish. We started as an over 50 group but we have aged as we welcomed new members. We meet for a shared lunch on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Come along and discover other activities. The parish office has our contact numbers.

Laptop Operators—More Volunteers Needed

Happy to run the PowerPoint on the laptop during Mass? Here is your chance to volunteer. Training will be provided if necessary. Call Bob Munro on 0424 212 420

Altar Servers Needed

If you are interested in being an altar server please speak to Fr Dispin or Ron Prendergast after Mass.

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.

Renovation Fundraising Update

Thank you for the continued generosity, **\$66474.45** in funds raised. (Contribute by Direct Debit to our **Repair and Maintenance Account: BSB 083 347 Account 534233044** use your surname in reference line OR Envelopes are available if you would like to contribute by cash/cheque.

Child Safety

The Child Safety Officers (in high-vis vests) should be a 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

Kid's Corner

Toys are available for children to play with in the "crying room" or the Narthex, located in the Narthex near the front door. Children should be supervised by an adult.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School Tours

School tours are being held on the following dates. Please call the school office (9870 7227) to book a tour.

Term 1

Friday 15 March

Term 2

Monday 22 April

Thursday 2 May

Friday 10 May

Dance Lumiere

Bring dance to your Wednesday nights! Our Intro to dance class will start you on your dance journey, in a fun supportive environment, teaching you the basics of Ballroom and Latin styles. No previous experience or partner required.

Wednesdays @7:45PM Our Lady's Hall

First class \$5 when booking online (use code FIRSTFOR5).

To Book: www.dancelumiere.com.au phone 0452072092, email: Info@dancelumiere.com.au

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY @ OUR LADY'S

"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18

"Pray for one another, that you may be healed" James 5:16

For prayer requests, please call Loredana 0423 313 336 or contact the Parish Office.

Father of love, source of all blessings,
help me to pass from my old life of sin
to the new life of grace.

Prepare me for the glory of Your Kingdom.
I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
Who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.



Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Our Lady's

Holy Thursday 6:00pm — Mass of the Last Supper

Good Friday 11:00am — Stations of the Cross

Good Friday 3:00 pm — Commemoration of the Cross

Holy Saturday 5:00pm — Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday 8:00am — Polish Mass

Easter Sunday 9:30am — Easter Mass

St John's

Holy Thursday 7:30pm — Mass of the Last Supper

Good Friday 9:30 am — Stations of the Cross

Good Friday 3:00 pm — Commemoration of the Cross

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Easter Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30am — Easter Masses



Fifth Sunday of Lent 16 & 17 March



The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2024.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Stewardship Corner

"I will be their God and they shall be my people."-
Jeremiah 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbours and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

Supporting the Parish

Through the Stewardship Program, parishioners are asked to pledge a weekly/monthly amount to the upkeep of the parish. This allows the parish to pay utility bills, insurance premiums, Archdiocese levies, purchase church supplies and pay staff wages. This amount is given as the "Thanksgiving Offering" and placed in the appropriate envelope or given as a direct debit. Any loose cash contributes to the support of the Parish Priest. A percentage of the Presbytery collection is also required to be sent quarterly to the Archdiocese. Become part of the Stewardship Program, please contact the office for further information on how this can be done or click the link below to take you to the 'donate' page on the parish website and choose how you wish to support the parish.

to support our parish click [HERE](#).
Please choose where you wish your
support to go.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month
Parish Finance Council:
Safeguarding Committee: 7:30pm 17 April
Time Out : Third Wednesday of Month 12 noon

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

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>

Stations of the Cross: Friday 9:15 am during Lent.

Journey through loss—April 10

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.

Christian Meditation 7:30 Monday 25

We meditate fortnightly. You are most welcome to join us. Lockdown can sorely test our endurance and spirits. If you are interested in deepening your spirituality, or want to know what God wants of you at present, you must try this.

To indicate your interest or for any enquiries: Chris Ryan at the Parish Office, 9401 6366. Or simply turn up on the night. Looking forward to seeing you! No experience or Biblical knowledge needed.

House of Books

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. The Bookshop is open from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Women's Retreat Weekend May 17-19 May

You are warmly invited to come to our 2024 Women's Retreat Weekend. Flyers are available in the Narthex. You can book using the link on the flyer, or [here](#). Please share this with whoever you think may be interested.