



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary (Year C)

5 October 2025

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

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TEACHING TODAY - TRANSFORMING TOMORROW

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

~ Nelson Mandela ~

World Teacher's Day – October 5

Teachers do more than share knowledge – they shape hearts, inspire dreams and spark curiosity that can last a lifetime. On this day, we celebrate those who patiently guide, encourage and challenge us to be our best selves. Every lesson, every word of encouragement, every moment of care contributes to a foundation that reaches far beyond the classroom.

Great teachers recognise the potential in each student, even when the students themselves cannot see it. They nurture confidence, resilience and a love of learning. They listen, they challenge, they motivate and they remind us that mistakes are not failures, but steps toward growth.

The impact of a teacher often goes unseen, yet it endures quietly in the lives they touch. A single word of encouragement can ignite a lifelong passion; a simple act of kindness can transform a difficult day. Teachers show us that learning is more than absorbing facts, it is about discovering who we are, what we can achieve and how we can make a difference.

Today, we honour teachers everywhere, not only for what they teach, but for the hope, inspiration and courage they awaken in us all.

Dear Lord, we thank You for teachers who dedicate themselves to helping others learn and grow. Bless them with insight, patience and compassion. May their words uplift, their guidance empower and their example inspire those they teach.

Amen.

Sourced from www.majellan.media

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 : Joan Plunkett

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Maria Lau

Readings next Week

28th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

2 Kg 5:14-17

Ps 97:1-4

2 Tim 2:8-13

Lk 17:11-19

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

4/5 October

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Val Prendergast, Prudence Graf

Eucharist: Jennifer & Martin de Korte,
Brian Dubois

Music: Alys Cavanagh

Laptop: Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Jim Fuller, Maria Cruz

Eucharist: Jim Fuller, Bob Munro, Shiny Kurian

Music: Rohan Smith

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Morning Tea: Danae & Rod Allison

11/12 October

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Carla Jansen, Brian Dubois

Eucharist: Carmel Risson, Frances Cassidy,
Glynis Misquitta

Music: Christian Gunawan **Laptop:** Joshua Berketa

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Evelyn Randrup, Kate/Andy Coombs

Eucharist: Peter & Breeda Cleary, Shiny Kurian

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

Children's Liturgy: Ingrid Scott

Morning Tea: Max Lennox & Evelyn Randrup

Linen: October—Frances Cassidy

Flowers

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

Week 3 & 4 — Margaret & Friend (Zomi Community)

Week 5—Glynis & Pol (Filipino Community)

Link for Readings of the Day

<https://universalis.com/>

australia.melbourne/20240301/mass.htm

1st Sunday of the Month—October 5

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—September 28

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm

Filipino Mass 5:00pm

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.



Our Lady's Community Fete is soon! Saturday 25th October - **3 weeks to go!**

Dean and Ingrid will provide regular updates on how to help. Contact:

dean_ingrid@yahoo.com

Thank you, those who have started bringing in your **Pre-loved clothes**

and/ or **Pre-loved Books:** Donations can be dropped off at the school office or the church.

We would love to hear from you if you can **volunteer to help** at the fete for a couple of hours. Let us know if you have a favourite stall you'd like to help on. We will find which stalls are short of helpers and get you together.

If you're growing **plants** for the plant stall, Thank you! We will let you know where they can be dropped off in the days before fete.

Silent Auction donations please contact olringwoodfete@gmail.com

Can you bake scones? I need some for the Devonshire Teas!

Please contact Ingrid

Any questions, or to arrange pick-up of large items, contact: **Dean (0490 384314) and Ingrid (0401 864388)** dean_ingrid@yahoo.com

Please note there will no 5pm mass at Our Lady's on fete day—25th October

Fete Book Stall

Everyone loves a good story. It may be a Romance, Mystery, Thriller or Suspense novel, Horror, Fantasy, Science Fiction, Historical Fiction or even a Western (ask your grandad). So, please feel free to donate all the novels you have already read.

And then stock up on all those novels you have not yet read but have been meaning to, at our book stall.

They are always cheap and in good condition.

Please drop off your donations at the school office or the Parish office.



Fete Cake Stall



Time to start thinking about what you can contribute to the Fete Cake Stall. Kits are now available in the narthex with suggestions for delicious goodies to bake. Grab one this weekend! Extra bags, labels and ribbons will be available at the school office if required.

Morning Tea

You're invited to stay after 9:30 Mass for a cuppa and chat with fellow parishioners; a good way to grow our community.

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 can be identified by a name tag. They 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.

Lost Property

There are occasions when people may inadvertently leave their possessions in the Church. Could any 'found' property be handed to a Sacristan, into the office or placed on the table next to the newsletters.

Catholic Theological College

- * **Knox Public Lecture by Prof. Myriam Wijlens**
Wednesday 15 October at 7.30pm For more information: ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture/
- * **October 2025 Engaging Your Faith online presentations** from \$25 per session. For more information: ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

Renovation Fundraising Update

Donations are still trickling in with \$91194 raised.



Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

Pastoral care is available @ Our Lady's, if you or someone you know would like to have a chat, please don't hesitate to call me (Loredana) on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au.

Everyday Comfort Reflections

Jesus, help me to simplify my life by learning what you want me to be - and becoming that person.

~St. Thérèse of Lisieux

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
On behalf of the Conference thank you for your donation.

TIME OUT—DON'T BE LONELY

Come and join our Time-out Group: a few laughs and good company. We meet on the **3rd Wednesdays** of the month for luncheon/meeting at 12 noon in the Narthex. Bring a plate to share and a gold coin donation.

Also join us on:

The **1st Wednesdays**: a dine out lunch at one of the eateries in the area. Phone Allan Jones or Maree to book on 98704831 or 046783051.

The **4th Wednesdays**: "Morning Melodies" at the Dorset Gardens Hotel, Croydon. Meet at 10:00am in the Foyer. \$15 includes morning tea and the show. Contact Lyn Crane on 0438021143

There are two Book Clubs in the area held on the **1st Fridays**: call Merle Smith on 98703517 for details.

A poster for 'Spirit Driven Life' on 11-12 October 2025 at Ss Peter & Paul, 23 Leeds St, Doncaster East VIC 3109. It features a dove with a halo and the text '2 DAY PROGRAM'. The program includes registration, a healing mass, and adoration. It also lists speakers Fr. Joseph Kizosorus CM and Sr. Theodora P. Karm. A QR code is provided for registration, and contact information for enquiries is listed at the bottom.

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

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." 2 Timothy 1:7
Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party or at work or out shopping, would your words and actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

<https://resources.archstl.org/article/359120/stewardship-bulletin-inserts>

Supporting the Parish

Through the Stewardship Program, parishioners are asked to pledge a regular 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.

To 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.

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.

Any loose cash contributes to the support of the Parish Priest.

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

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month

Parish Finance Council:

Safeguarding Committee: 7:30pm

Time Out: Third Wednesday of Month 12 noon

to support our parish click

[HERE](#) or use the QR Code

Please choose where you wish

your

support to go.



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

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>

Journey through loss—October 8

Please join us: Every second Wednesday of the month at 10:30am St John's Parish Office. Gold coin donation welcome.



Faith Formation Night with Fr Maurie Cooney

During the month of October 3 sessions on formation and faith will be held by Fr Maurie Cooney

in the **Narthex**

Gideon (Old Testament Book of Judges) was a believer... and wanted GOD to be clearer about 'being present and active' in life. This is about having a sacramental perspective on life: which is a basic characteristic of our Catholic tradition. Let's explore that in the next in our series of 'Formation in faith. **Monday 6th, 13th and 20th October** from **7pm till 8.30pm** plus 'wind down' and social. All are welcome!

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.

RCIA – St John's and Our Lady's A Journey in Faith

Find out about this journey of faith and discovery. See what the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program can offer you.

Do you ever ponder:

Who is Jesus?

Why a Church?

What do you seek?

The Parish RCIA program will commence mid October. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the program please contact the Office on 9401 6366 email: mitcham@cam.org.au.