



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) September 17

Parish Information

Parish Priest

Fr Dispin John

Assisted by

Fr Michael Kelly CSsR

Fr Len Size (retired)

Parish Catechist

Kaye Clancy

Pastoral Care Worker

Loredana Iacobucci

Parish Secretary

Janine Meades

Office hours

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

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9:30am

Week Day Masses

Tuesday 6:00pm Mass and Novena

Thursday 9:15 am

First Thursday—Healing Mass

Confessions

Thursday 9:45 am

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

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17 September 2023



Social Services Sunday

A day to reflect and give thanks



Loving God, we praise and thank you for those without fear who speak, advocate, and create for the peace of our world.

We rejoice in seeing Catholic Social Services Victoria and its member organisations bring together structures of change to build hope and healing.

May we all be engaged agents of positive change, opening our hearts and minds to possibilities and growth.

May your unconditional love for all inspire our hearts to humbly serve in a spirit of charity and justice for most disadvantaged, marginalised and vulnerable brothers and sisters.

May the changes we make be based on the common good and may we be gracious and patient in accepting that sometimes change takes time.

We pray for those who serve in social services, who hear the cry of the abandoned, who dress the wounds of those frayed by life's journey and speak with those who are silenced and exploited.

As we seek your face and strive to do your will, fill our hearts with the peace and hope that only you can give so that we can share that with the those in our care, in our families and in our communities.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Please pray...

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

For those who have died recently:

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Adrian David Palmer, Candido Anciano

Readings next Week

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

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 September 16/17

Lectors

Saturday 5:00 pm Frances Cassidy

Sunday 9:30 am Angela Lacey
Kerry Peterson

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00 pm Margaret Roper

Sunday 9:30 am Kath McCrae

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00pm Piano -Christian Gunawan
Laptop: Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30 am Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

Dear Parishioners,
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 on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au .
God bless Loredana

Parish Catechist- Kaye Clancy

For sacramental preparations for those not attending the Parish School, please contact Kaye via email Kaye.clancy@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—October 1

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—September 24

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm.

Filipino Mass: 4:00pm

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.

September 17—Team 4
October 1—Team 1



The funeral of Brian Coghlan will be held on Tuesday 19 September at 11:30 a.m.

Renovation Fundraising Update

Thank you for the continued generosity, we are over half way there, with **\$57254** in funds raised. (There are boxes in the narthex for donations.)

Contribute by Direct Debit to our **Repair and Maintenance Account: BSB 083 347 Account 534233044** and put your surname in reference line OR Envelopes are available if you would like to contribute by cash/cheque.

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.

New to the Parish?

Please fill out a parish census card available in the Narthex and return to the office. Also you might like to consider participating in the Stewardship Program—forms available.

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

Social Services Sunday—17 September

On this day we give thanks to the dedicated work of the thousands of staff and volunteers who serve the poor, disadvantaged and marginalised. We acknowledge with gratitude Catholic Social Service Victoria's 40 member organisations, their 8,000 staff and 17,000 volunteers, who work together to serve and support over 211,000 people. Catholic social services hold a unique position in social services because they serve and are part of an established, connected community of people sharing in the social mission of the Church. We thank parishes for often being at the forefront of providing services to members of their community in need. In this challenging time of a cost of living and housing crisis, the Gospel message of love, care and welcome is needed more than ever. On this day we consider how we all have a role to play. How might we be more involved in achieving justice in our own communities? How can we advocate for structural changes to build a more equitable society where no one is pushed to the margins, and all can prosper?

Pews for Sale—All gone!



OLPH Fete 2023 Raffle tickets.

Could all parishioners grab their 2023 Raffle Books from the Narthex and have them returned to school office by Friday October 13th.

Parish and School Fete Bookstall Reminder

Fellow parishioners,

Five weeks to go until our Fete.

Thank you to all those who have donated to our bookstall already.

Our Lady's School will be closed for two weeks during the school holidays. So this is the time to do your spring cleaning and discover those books, CDs and DVDs you forgot you had, and don't need to keep. Then when the school reopens on 2 October, you can bring them in to the school office.

Fete Cake Stall

Fete cake stall donation packs are available in the narthex to take. Bake something delicious to be sold at the fete.



Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals – Morocco / Libya

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water and medical assistance. Please support Caritas Australia's emergency appeals.

[Donate at www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Come and See

Find out about this journey of faith and discovery. See what the RCIA program can offer you.

Do you ever ponder:

What is the Meaning of Life?

What do you seek?

Why a God?

What's our Story?

Who is Jesus?

Why a Church?

And Much More...

IS THIS FOR YOU?

[Click here to see a short video](#)



Contact Jenny Kearney for details

Come by yourself, or bring a friend or family member.

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St John's Mitcham & Our Lady's Ringwood

[Click here to see the short video](#)

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.

"Speak to God"

Speak to God and let Him be part of your life because He loves you.

Speak To God and let Him how you feel because He is there for you.

Speak to God and tell him what's on your mind.

Speak to God our Father, praise and worship our loving Father.

MARCH FOR THE BABIES 2023

Come join thousands in our peaceful walk through Melbourne's CBD, to protest against the horrors of full-term abortion in Victoria. Help us speak out against this law and celebrate all life!

OCTOBER 7TH, 1PM START

Meeting at Treasury Gardens, corner of Spring Street and Wellington Parade



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.

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. The 'Presbytery Offering' along with 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 CDFPAY and choose how you wish to support the parish.

to support our parish click [HERE](#).

Please nominate where you wish your support to go.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month
Parish Finance Council:
Safeguarding Committee: Third Wednesday of Month
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>

EXCITING NEWS—WE ARE STARTING A PLAYGROUP

Come along on the 3rd Thursday of the Month at 11am to the St John's Parish Playgroup.

Location: St John's Church narthex

When: **21st September at 11am**

Children aged 0-5 with their care providers for one hour of play, fun and connection.

Please register your interest in attending with the parish office at 9401 6366 or mitcham@cam.org.au by Tuesday the 19th of September.

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.

St Vincent de Paul

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

Piety Stall 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

Eastern Emergency Relief Centre.

This centre has been of great assistance when we need to ask for furniture, washing machines, fridges, beds and mattresses, etc. It is run by volunteers, and will accept the above, so long as it is in good condition. They have more access truck wise to picking up good quality donations.

Please consider them when you want to clear your home or downsize. Contact them on this No. 9874 8433

Many refugees have their homes filled from cutlery, dishes, furniture, all that is needed. Mattresses of all sizes are accepted as long as they are stain-free. They are also helping the environment.