



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary (Year C)

19 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

admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au

2 Wilana Street, Ringwood

98707227



Our Fete is next week!

Invite all your friends!

- **Pre-loved clothes** and **Pre-loved Books**: Donations can now be dropped off at the hall to be sorted. Thank you
- Please **volunteer to help** at the fete just for 1 or 2 hours. Some stalls are still short of helpers.
- Any **plants** for the plant stall can be dropped off at the school.
- Cake kits available; bake for the cake stall
- Silent Auction donations please contact [us](#)

Please contact Ingrid if you bake scones: we need some for the Devonshire Teas!

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 on fete day (25th) at Our Lady's
Mass is at 6pm in St John's

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 anniversaries occur at this time: Brett Rasmussen

Readings next Week

30th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

Ps 33:2-3, 17-19, 23

2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18

Lk 18:9-14

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 October

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Maria Cruz, Brian Dubois

Eucharist: Jayke Beckwith, Kate & Andy Coombs

Music: Guitar Group **Laptop:** Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Angela Lacey, Kerry Peterson

Eucharist: Paula & Jim Corcoran, Sean Peterson

Music: Christian Gunawan

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Children's Liturgy: Jennifer Tolcher

Morning Tea: Glynis Misquitta & Christine O'Leary

25/26 October

No Mass—Fete Day

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Jim Fuller, John Noronha

Eucharist: Tess Repalust, Evelyn Randrup,
Kath McCrae

Music: Christian Gunawan

Laptop: Jos Vandersman

Children's Liturgy: Tess Repalust

Morning Tea: Joyce Dean & Sarah

Linen: October—Pat Smith

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](https://universalis.com/australia.melbourne/20240301/mass.htm)

1st Sunday of the Month—November 2

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—October 26

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.

Raffle Tickets

Parishioners on the Stewardship/thanksgiving program have been allocated a book of raffle tickets. Please pick up your addressed envelope today. Sold books can be handed into the school or parish office by midday Friday 24 October otherwise handed in at the Fete on Saturday. . Feel free to 'post' them in the boxes in the narthex before Friday.

Fete Book Stall

It's nearly here! Thank you for your generous donations so far.

We have begun sorting them out.

We could use more donations, - particularly of Children's Books and Adult Fiction. But we will be happy to receive all donations!

We look forward to seeing you on Fete Day. Come by and say hello and buy some books. Remember, "Keep Calm and Read".



Fete Cake Stall—Pick up a Kit Today!



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.

Parish Census— Please complete a Card

Over the next three weeks, we invite each member of our parish to participate in our census process. By completing the census form, which will be made available during Mass from next week, we can register the number of our parish members and better understand the needs of our community. Data from this census will also enable the parish to strategically plan for important events, ministries, and other future endeavours. Your privacy is essential, and all information will be treated with confidentiality. Thank you.

Security Update—Do You Have a Key?

As we are updating security we request that anyone holding a key to the parish, whether it be for church or hall contact the parish office by the end of October before the codes are changed.

Safeguarding Training

Just a reminder that all volunteers should complete the training module every 3 years. Please go to: www.safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org to complete training. If unsure if you need to do this contact the office and speak to Janine.

Our Lady's Table Tennis— cancelled this week

Due to fete preparations there will be no table tennis on Monday October 20 and will resume on Monday 27 October.

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.

World Mission Sunday—October 19

This Sunday, as the universal Church gathers in prayer for World Mission Sunday, we simply say - **thank you**.

Your prayers over these past days have held close the mothers in Zambia walking for days to give birth, and the children journeying long distances to reach the gift of education. It is your spiritual solidarity that makes the mission real.

The Holy Father's short message is available to [Watch](#)

Red November

Throughout November, Catholics in Melbourne and around the world are being called to remember and stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians through the Red November campaign, led by Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), a pontifical charity working for the cause of persecuted Christians globally. The month-long initiative seeks to raise awareness, prayer and support for Christian communities facing severe hardship and violence around the globe.

The climax of the Red November campaign is Red Wednesday, which falls on 19 November in 2025 and is marked by the illumination of churches and public buildings, including St Patrick's Cathedral, in red as a symbol of solidarity.

Renovation Fundraising Update

Donations are still trickling in with \$91282.70 raised.

Piety Stall—Advent/Christmas

Copies of the 2026 Columban Calendars (\$11) and The Promise—Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections (\$7) have been ordered and will be available from the first weekend in November. Also available is a selection of Christmas Cards. Just a reminder cash only is accepted.

Everyday Comfort Reflections

"It is a denial of justice not to stretch out a helping hand to the fallen; that is the common right of humanity."

- Seneca the Elder

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

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.

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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
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 Pastoral Letter to the Catholics of Victoria on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

The State Government is seeking to amend Victoria's euthanasia and assisted suicide laws. If passed, the new laws would further weaken protections for vulnerable patients and reduce protections for nurses, doctors and other medical practitioners who conscientiously object. In response, the Bishops of Victoria have written a pastoral letter asking that we contact our local Members of Parliament and urge them to vote against these laws.

You can read the letter online and find out more by scanning the QR code or via: www.bit.ly/EuthanasiaBill.



Copy of letter available in Narthex.

Stewardship Corner

"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." 2 Timothy 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!

<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

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

20th October from 7pm till 8.30pm plus 'wind down' and social. All are 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. The Bookshop is open from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 1pm on Saturdays.

to support our parish click

[HERE](#) or use the QR Code

Please chose where you

wish your

support to go.



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 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

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.

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.