



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Second Sunday of Lent (Year B)

25 February 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

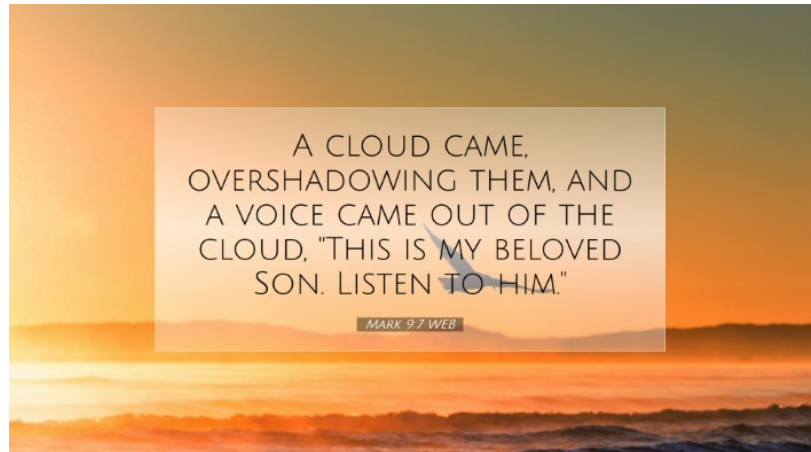
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Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-10 Jesus is transfigured in the presence of Peter, James, and John.



Family Connection

Every family has special moments that they remember and share again and again. In sharing these stories, the meaning and importance of these events develop and deepen over time. This is how it was with the disciples' remembrance of Jesus' Transfiguration. The full significance of what they had seen and experienced could only be understood after Jesus' death and Resurrection. As they told other believers about this event and recorded the story for us in the Bible, our understanding of what it means to call Jesus God's own Son has also deepened.

As you gather as a family, think about some special family memories that your family tells over and over again. Talk about why these memories are important to you. Recall that in the Bible we find many important memories about Jesus that have been recorded for us so that we can believe that Jesus is God's Son. Read today's Gospel, Mark 9:2-10. What do we learn about Jesus from this Gospel? (He fulfills the promises God made to Israel through the Law and the prophets. God glorified Jesus in his Resurrection. Jesus is God's Son.) Conclude in prayer together that as we continue to read the Bible, we will deepen our understanding of and our love for Jesus. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

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

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: Lenard McKown, Charles Hogarth

Readings next Week

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17

Ps 18:8-11

1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13-25

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 February 24/25

Lectors

Saturday 5:00pm Jennifer Tolcher
Matt Giuliano
Sunday 9:30am Jim Fuller
Val Prendergast

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday 5:00pm Sian Giuliano
Maureen Glennie
Amelia Mitchell
Sunday 9:30am Tess Repalust
Frances Cassidy
Breeda Cleary

Music Ministry

Saturday 5:00pm Laptop: Royal Castellino
Sunday 9:30am Our Lady's Singers
Laptop: Bob Munro

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—March 3

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—25 February

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.

February 25 – Team 4
March 3—Team 1



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.

World Day of Prayer—Friday March 1

The service this year will be held at 10:00am at the Ringwood Uniting Church, Station Street. All welcome.

2024—The Year of Prayer

Pope Francis has declared 2024 as the Year of Prayer, reminding us of the importance of this timeless spiritual practice. Majellan Media has launched a new podcast series on prayer titled [Prayer is Life](#) which coincides with the start of a Year of Prayer announced by Pope Francis. It is aimed at giving listeners a better understanding about prayer and what prayer can do for them.

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, **\$66319.45** 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

Primary School

Please contact the school on 9870 7227 or email admin@olingwood.catholic.edu.au for more information or to arrange a time to tour the school with our Principal.



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

Tuesday 27 February

Wednesday 6 March

Friday 15 March

Term 2

Monday 22 April

Thursday 2 May

Friday 10 May

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.

A prayer for Christian community

Lord, show us how to nurture true Christian community in our lives this year.

Give us the initiative and insight to know how to cultivate a greater love for God's people.

Help us to share our lives with one another in such a way that the people we meet are ultimately drawn closer to you.



Second Sunday of Lent 24 & 25 February



Ronita is 22. She lives with her husband and two children in a barangay (local district) in Quezon City, which is situated in Metro Manila in the Philippines.

Ronita left school when she became pregnant as a teenager. This could have had a life-long impact on her ability to find work and provide for her family but, thankfully, she heard about the Alternative Learning System (ALS) program run by the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ), Caritas Australia's local partners in the Philippines.

Through the FCJ, Ronita was able to re-enrol in her studies and continue learning in a safe and flexible environment – even with the arrival of her second child.

After completing her ALS classes, Ronita went on to earn her Grade 12 Senior High School Diploma. With her new diploma, Ronita has now secured a job at a call centre and is looking to a brighter future for her whole family.

"I have now graduated senior school and I am so proud of myself," she said. "I feel hopeful for the future... Now it's not impossible for me to achieve my dream... Thank you."

Please donate to Project Compassion.

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.

Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia



Stewardship Corner

“Here I am!” he answered.”- Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when a neighbour needs our help, or when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it’s not convenient for us. Discipleship is not easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

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 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 21 February @ St Johns
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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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

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.

Lenten Formation - Prof. Green (ACU)

7 March at 7:00pm. Theme is St Mark’s Gospel. See Noticeboard for more information.

Bookings : 94016366 or
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Online: <http://www.trybooking/CPCQD>