Stewardship Corner

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." - MATTHEW 23:12

The world celebrates people in the spotlight and those who have the most of everything. We think celebrity, money and possessions are the key to happiness. Yet, our world is filled with more loneliness, anxiety, and depression than ever before. The lives of the saints show that the key to a happy life are relationships. Relationships with God and each other. Trust is the foundation of any good relationship and humility is the seed of trust.

https://resources.archstl.org/article/717499/weekly-bible-reflections

Supporting the Parish/Church
Donate using:
Direct credit/debit
QR Code
Click HERE
Envelopes placed in collection Tap and Go Machines

Supporting the Priest/Presbytery
Loose cash in the collection.
Direct Debit /credit card
Direct deposit: 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: 18 November 7:30pm
Time Out: Third Wednesday of Month 12 noon

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 behalf of the Conference thank you for your donation.

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

The piety stall has available items for Sacraments: stoles, cards, gifts.
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—Sorry.

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

ST JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP ✨
1st Sunday of Every Month 5PM–8PM
We start at **5PM Mass** then head to the Zebedee Room For more info please contact the Parish Office at 9401 6366 or mitcham@cam.org.au

Journey through loss—2nd Wednesday of the Month
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.

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

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 past and present. We acknowledge that this land continues to be sacred to them.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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All Saints (Year A)
1 November 2026

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
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REMEMBERING THOSE WE LOVE

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."
~ Thomas Campbell ~

All Souls' Day, observed on November 2, is a special time to remember and pray for those who have passed away.

Losing someone we love is never easy. As the years pass, we learn to live with their absence, although there may still be times when we wish we could share another conversation, ask their advice or simply enjoy being in their company once more.

Every person who touches our lives becomes part of our own story. Their kindness, wisdom and the values they lived by are reflected in the legacy they leave behind.

Grief is something we all experience differently. For some, it becomes easier to carry with time, while for others, the sense of loss remains close to the surface. There is no right or wrong way to grieve, and each person's journey is their own.

This special day encourages us to reflect on how precious life is and the importance of making the most of the time we have with those around us. It is an opportunity to appreciate the people in our lives, show our love more freely and never take them for granted.



Dear Lord, we remember with love and gratitude those who are no longer with us. Thank you for the happiness they brought into our lives and the memories we treasure. May they rest peacefully in your loving care, and may we find comfort in our faith and the hope of being reunited with them in eternal life. Amen.

Sourced from www.majellan.media

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

October 31/ November 1

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Prudence Graf, Brian Dubois
Eucharist: Jennifer & Martin de Korte, Brian Du Bois
Music: Alys & Angel
Laptop: Matt Guiliano

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Frances Cassidy, Marianne Magsalin.
Eucharist: Glynis Misquita, Bob Munro, Shiny Kurian
Music: Rohan Smith **Laptop**: Bob Munro
Children's Liturgy: Ingrid Scott
Morning Tea: Danae & Rod Allison
Vacuuming: Smith Family

November7/8

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Carla Jansen, Brian Du Bois
Eucharist: Angela Truillo, Frances Cassidy, Carmel Risson
Laptop: Maureen Platt

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Evelyn Randrup, Emily Thomas
Eucharist: Breeda Cleary, Shiny Kurian, Samantha David
Music: Our Lady's Singers **Laptop**: Bob Munro
Children's Liturgy: Jenny Waack
Children's Lit assistant:
Morning Tea: PJ & Mel Gigli
Vacuuming: Frank Mount

Flowers

Week 1 & 2—Elizabeth & Regina (Polish Community)
Week 3— Jasmine
Week 4 — Tung and Friends
Week 5—Glynis & Pol (Filipino Community)

Linen: October—Sofia Sobelska

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.

Community Masses

Polish Mass 8:00am—November 1
Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm—October 25
Filipino Mass 5:00pm —October 25

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families and loved ones who care for them: Marg Roper, Jos Vandersman.
For those who have died recently:
For those whose memories are sacred to us: Elisa Batallones, Miguel Estrada, Lucia Carta

ALL SOULS DAY MASS

Join us this All Souls' Day to commemorate the lives and legacies of loved ones who are no longer with us at St John's on **Monday 2 November at 7pm.**

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.

Are your children in the playground after Mass?

Just a reminder to be respectful of our neighbours and ensure that the children are not banging on the fences annoying the dogs, or throwing things over the fence which could hit the small children playing their backyard.

Safeguarding Essentials Training

Volunteers are required to complete the Safeguarding Essentials training and SCYP Code of Conduct every three years.
Complete the training online
If you prefer to complete the training online, you can register for the Safeguarding Essentials training and sign the Code of Conduct here: https://cam-parish.tribalhabits.com/accounts/register To register, you will need:
· An email address
· Your unique Working with Children Check (WWCC) number or VIT ID number
Registration token: enter the word SAFEGUARDING when prompted. Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and welcoming environment for everyone in our parish community.

Presence: Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections 2026

Presence is a beautifully presented, 84-page, full-colour book of daily reflections inviting you to slow down, become attentive, and rediscover the presence of Christ in your everyday life. Beginning on the **First Sunday of Advent (29 November 2026)** and continuing through to the **Baptism of the Lord (10 January 2027)**, *Presence* offers a prayerful companion for the entire Advent and Christmas journey. Available at the Piety Stall for $6.00

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries. 2027 marks the 105th edition. These will be available later in November from the Piety Stall

Expressions of Interest

Would anyone who is part of the music team be interested in being part of a really **easy fundraiser for the Vinnie's Christmas Appeal?** All we need are **a few enthusiastic singers to encourage those that attend to sing along to their favourite carols,** in between a few other musical items. **Minimal rehearsal required!** Just a quick run through one evening before the event. If you are interested shoot me an email by the end of this week so we know whether to raise it to the liturgy team!
Also, if you are a musician and would like to contribute your own musical item (something easy that doesn't require a lot of rehearsing in the church, doesn't have to be Christmassy - just whatever you love to play!) let me know too!
Thanks! Alys cavanaghalys@gmail.com

World Youth Day Seoul 2027 will take place from 3 to 8 August 2027. The Archdiocese of Melbourne is offering three pilgrimage options: via Japan, via the Diocese of Incheon, or direct to Seoul. Learn more and register your interest at **melbournecatholic.org/wyd27**.
A repeat information session on the Archdiocese's pilgrimage options will also be held at St Christopher's Parish Syndal on Wednesday 4 November at 7pm. Find out more **here**.

Scripture Readings Next Weekend
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Readings

There is a link on the parish website to the Readings of the Day. It can be found using the dropdown menu under Services tab located in the top righthand corner.
https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/ringwood

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

If you or someone you know would like to have a chat, a visit or receive communion at home please call Loredana on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au .

Morning Tea

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



Synodality and mission beyond the Church

A synodal Church listens not only inwardly but outwardly, engaging respectfully with society and culture.

Time Out Gathering

A great opportunity for older members of the parish to get together.
We meet and share a lunch in the narthex at 12 noon on the 3rd Wednesday of the month On the 1st Wed. we gather to Dine Out at a local venue. (contact Alan/ Maree 0467 683 051)
Morning melodies (Contact Barbara Cosgriff 0412 522 865)
More information call Lyn Crane 043821143

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.**