



St. John's Parish Mitcham

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27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 5 October 2025 —Year C

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO OUR INCREDIBLE VOLUNTEERS

"Well done, good and faithful servant." – Matthew 25:23

With full hearts and deep gratitude,
we pause to say THANK YOU.
You are the hands and feet of Jesus
in our church and community.

This church is not built on the talents of a few but on the
faithfulness of many.

Because of you, our ministries thrive, lives are touched, and the
love of Christ is made real in practical and powerful ways.

We see you.

We appreciate you.

We thank God for you.



<i>Children's Liturgy</i>	<i>Finance Committee</i>	<i>Sunday morning tea</i>
<i>Christian Meditation</i>	<i>House of Books</i>	<i>Altar Washing</i>
<i>Church Beautification</i>	<i>Memorial Garden</i>	<i>Music Ministry</i>
<i>Commentators/Lectors</i>	<i>Parish Leadership team</i>	<i>Safeguarding Committee</i>
<i>Laptop operators</i>	<i>Fete Committee</i>	<i>Collectors</i>
<i>Special Ministers</i>	<i>Visitation to the sick</i>	<i>Piety Stall</i>
<i>Counters</i>	<i>Liturgy team</i>	<i>St Vincent de Paul</i>
<i>Sacristans</i>	<i>RCIA</i>	<i>Grief & Loss</i>
	<i>Altar Servers</i>	

St John the Evangelist Parish acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people of the wider Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of this land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

"St John's Parish community, is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards & acknowledges that Child Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility."

Parish Information

Normal Weekend Mass Times

St John's: Sat Vigil, 6pm, Sun 8.30am, 9.45am, 11.15am, 5pm

Our Lady's: Sat Vigil 5pm, Sun 9.30am

Parish Office Hours (Parish Office is closed on Mondays):

Tuesday-Friday 9am-3.30pm

Parish Secretary: Manuela Brambilla

Bereavement Ministry: Jenny Kearney 0413 826 468

Pastoral Care: Loredana Iacobucci 0423 313 336

Christian Meditation Group: Chris Ryan

House of Books (house next door to the Church): 9401 6306

RE for Government Schools: Trish Chaston trish.chaston@cam.org.au

Safeguarding Committee Co-ordinator: Manuela Brambilla

Visitation and Communion to the Sick & Housebound:

Co-ordinator: Cath Brindle

Parish Priest Fr Dispin John

Supported by Fr Michael Kelly, CSsR and Fr Maurice Cooney

St John's School

494 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 9874 1575

Principal: Mrs Verona Gridley

vgridley@sjmitcham.catholic.edu.au

St James School

51 Centre Road, Vermont, 9874 1830

Principal: Mr Dave Mutimer

principal@sjvermont.catholic.edu.au

Services:

St Vincent De Paul:

Shop 2/82 Maroondah Hwy Ringwood 9870 9124

Welfare Assistance 1800 305 330

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE
ON 9401 6366 OR VIA EMAIL MITCHAM@CAM.ORG.AU
TO ACCESS ANY OF THESE PEOPLE OR SERVICES

Parish Information & Daily Readings

Scripture Readings for week

Mon: Jonah 1:1 – 2:1. 11

Lk 10:25-37

Tue: Jonah 3:1-10

Lk 10:38-42

Wed: Jonah 4:1-11

Lk 11:1-4

Thu: Malachi 3:13-20

Lk 11:5-13

Fri: Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2

Lk 11:15-26

Sat: Joel 4:12-21

Lk 11:27-28

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2 Kings 5:14-17

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19

Weekday Masses

	St John's	Our Lady's
Tue	10am Mass	6pm Mass
Wed	10am Mass	
Thur	No Mass	9.15am Mass
Fri	10am Mass SJM	



Lord God, may we trust in the vision you give to us, knowing that your will for us will find its fulfillment, and at the best time.

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for those who have died recently especially **Isla Curtis, Brendan Clark, Benito Ballestrin and Gerald Crough** for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time including **Lamberto Eustaquio, Hubert Fernando, Therease Jansen, Beverley Rose Harrap, Gerald Heard, Shayne Heard Lowry, Josephine Frances Wilson, Edward Chong, Somadevi Kuruppu, Percy Alwis and Betty Saliba**



Tuesday Mass for healing of the sick



Prayers are offered and are followed by a **Novena of Saint Mary MacKillop**. If you know of someone who might need our special prayers or to be added to the Novena List please email the parish office mitcham@cam.org.au and leave a message for those you wish to be prayed for **by Monday afternoons**. Keeping you in our prayers. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to keep the name/s of your loved one, as we are updating the current list."

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

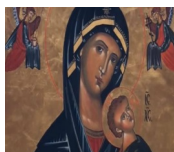
Plaques for this pastoral project may be ordered at any time for any deceased person who either was a parishioner at St John's or who was buried from St John's Church. The forms are in the Newsstands. **These forms now include the Interment of Ashes at St. John's.** The completed forms can be handed into the Parish Office. **Enquiries: Parish Office 9401 6366**



October 11/12	St John's 6.00pm	St John's 8.30am	St. John's 9.45am	St John's 11.15am	St John's 5.00pm
C'Tator Lectors	L Hennessy M Solomons	M De Almeida M Campbell	V Burnie T Wursthorn	T Black C Black	E Umashankar M Day
Eucharist	C Pearson B Meehan J Phoa	R Smith G Smith T McLaughlin	P Taggart N Wursthorn L Iacobucci	J Rea J Kiekebosc N Nguyen S Kuruppa T Luna	S Solomons M Kristan
Laptop operator	C Kohomb.	A Bogoda	G Gill		
Children Liturgist			A O'Reilly	S Jeyanayagam	

Faith Formation, Social & Other

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP RINGWOOD NEWS



Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 5pm
Sunday at 9.30am

Weekday service

6.00pm Tue: Mass and Novena
9.15am Thurs: Mass

Ringwood Parish website:

<http://pol.org.au/ringwood/Home.aspx>

Phone: 0468 589 039



BAPTISM WELCOME

Today we welcome

**William Jensen, Edward Alexander Halse,
Joseph Salvatore Halse, Phoebe Jay Ravida,
Hugo Elliot Ravida, Eleanor Yeung,
Elsie Browne, Zai Isaac Kowal,**

*who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism
at St John's during the month of October*

FUNERAL SERVICE AT ST JOHN'S



Isla Curtis

Wednesday 8 October at 11.30am

Gerald Patrick Crough

Friday 10 October at 11.30am



LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY

Come and pray the Holy Rosary at St John's
on the first Friday of the month at 9.30am.

MORNING TEA

Every Sunday after the **8.30am and 9.45am** Mass you are invited to share a cuppa and a chat in the narthex with other parishioners.



Children's Liturgy at St John's Every Sunday at 9.45 and 11.15am during school term

Children will move to the Narthex of Church for
their own Liturgy of the Word. All ages welcome.

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

"But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength".

2 Timothy 4:17

Gold coin donation welcome

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser!

Support Our Youth Group's Journey to ACYF!

This Sunday once again we're firing up the grill to raise
funds for our amazing youth group as they prepare to
attend the Australian Catholic Youth Festival — a
life-changing experience of faith, music, and community

Location: in front of St John's Church

Date: Sunday 5th October

Time: from 9.30am

Come along for a tasty sausage in bread (with
onions if you dare!) and help us get our youth to
ACYF 2025. Every sausage sold helps make this
faith-filled adventure possible!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP

WITH LAUNDERING THE CHURCH LINEN

We are seeking assistance with the laundering of the altar
linen in the second week of each month. It is not difficult and
you will be shown the current arrangements.

RCIA – ST JOHN'S AND OUR LADY'S A JOURNEY IN FAITH

Are you someone or do you know someone who...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic.
- Was baptised Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small
group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus
on the teachings and experience of the Church and
prepare adults to celebrate the Sacraments of
Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season.
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 or email
mitcham@cam.org.au.



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!





The 2025 St John's Mitcham Parish Community Fete Raffle COMMENCES NEXT WEEKEND.

First Prize - \$ 1500.00 Gift Card, donated by Biggin & Scott Mitcham

Ten amazing prizes available.

Only \$2.00 a tickets or \$20.00 for a book of ten tickets

Please consider taking a book of ten tickets, one ticket for you and nine tickets to sell to friends and family. Remember to invite them to our Parish Community Fete on Saturday 15th November.

Monies raised support the work of our Parish and Schools.

Many thanks to our generous sponsors.

LIFEBOAT FOUNDATION

For some years, the "Lifeboat Foundation" has been assisting victims of church-related sexual abuse with basic living costs, counselling, vehicle expenses – and just simply listening, believing and caring. The Foundation has been greatly assisted by donations of **unwanted cars** e.g. from deceased estates, or people relinquishing licence etc., either to give to victims who need them, or selling them to raise funds.

You could help this important work (a) by identifying people who might **donate an unwanted motor vehicle**, and (b) identifying someone to assist in the administration of Lifeboat's "Car Donation Project" e.g. speaking to potential donors of vehicles – it's not complicated nor over-demanding of time.

If you can assist or would like more information about the "Lifeboat Foundation" and/or the "Car Donation Project", contact **Fr. Kevin Dillon** – frkdillon@outlook.com.au or **0421 777 360**.

HELP REQUIRED

New comer to parish is seeking help towards obtaining her Victorian driver's licence. She has a foreign driver's licence and has a car.

If you can help please call the parish office at 94016366.

Thanks

A TREATY FOR VICTORIA

A Treaty For Victoria between First Peoples of Victoria and the State of Victoria is almost here. This is long overdue and been in the making for almost a decade. It follows six years of consultations and negotiations and is good news for First Peoples and all Victorians. The Statewide Treaty Bill 2025 was tabled in the Victorian Parliament in early September and is awaiting debate then ascent. There is much information on line. To find out more visit the First Peoples Assembly website at <https://firstpeoplesvic.org/>, the Treaty Authority <https://treatyauthority.au/> and Victoria Government websites <https://www.firstpeoplesrelations.vic.gov.au/treaty>

Will you help by showing your support? Consider writing to your State Member of Parliament showing your support of Treaty for Victoria. There is an excellent template on the First Peoples Assembly site at <https://firstpeoplesvic.org/walk-with-us/> . If you would like help or for more information contact Georgina Gartland 0412 396 388 /gegart21@gmail.com

ST JOHN'S CARD MAKING GROUP

Did you know our cards are for sale from the Piety Stall after weekend Masses? We have a great selection of cards including Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy and Confirmation cards. Our cards are also available to purchase from the House of Books and the Parish Office. All profits from our card sales continue to benefit the work of St Vincent de Paul. Please contact us via the Parish Office if you have any queries. Thanks Monika and Card Making Team.



CATHOLIC COLUMBAN CALENDARS (\$11)

Columban calendars are now available at the Piety Stall or at the Parish Office at \$11 each.

HOUSE OF BOOKS

Monday—Friday 10am - 4pm

Saturday 10am-1pm

Closed Sundays & Public Holidays.



The shop has a great range of good quality second hand books at very low prices. Proceeds support St John's and St Vincent de Paul. Phone: 9401 6306

ST VINCENT DE PAUL—OCTOBER—FOOD

Donations can now be left in the plastic tub in the **Narthex**. We are currently requesting: **coffee, rice, tinned vegetables long life milk.** All Enquiries to **Danny Rafferty 0437 498 877**



HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE PARISH

The QR Code is unique to St John's Church and will give parishioners direct access to our account. To make a payment, parishioners simply scan our QR code with their mobile phone and follow a few easy steps.



Thank you for your continued support

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.

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