



# St. John's Parish Mitcham

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## 12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 23 June 2024 —Year B

### Do not be afraid

Storm of life - which of us hasn't had them?  
About exams and jobs, in marriage and friendships.  
And our fears of things going wrong.

What sort of fear does God calm?

The fear of being rejected by people close to us,  
or the fear of love being lots.

One of the worst things about death  
is the fear of being nothing.

Or of losing God,  
like when Jesus was asleep in the boat.

You might have had some experiences like that.  
Where God saved you.

A big relationship breaking up, a child dying,  
a marriage ending,  
redundancy or unemployment, alcoholism -  
surviving with some happiness even when money was low.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted -  
maybe you knew that at tough times  
when you didn't go under and  
you knew that God was there.  
Be not afraid, for I am with you.



## 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

**Business Manager:** Margaret Harrington

**Parish Secretary:** Manuela Brambilla

**Accountant:** Gilda Bell

**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 0468 589 793

**Safeguarding Committee Co-ordinator:** Andrew Buchanan

**Visitation and Communion to the Sick & Housebound:**

Co-ordinator: Cath Brindle

**Parish Priest** Fr Dispin John

Supported by Fr Michael Kelly, CSsR

### 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: Is 49:1-6                     | Lk 1:57-66. 80 |
| Tue: 2 Kings 19:9-11. 14-21. 31-36 | Mt 7:6. 12-14  |
| Wed: 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3       | Mt 7:15-20     |
| Thu: 2 Kings 24:8-17               | Mt 7:21-29     |
| Fri: 2 Kings 25:1-12               | Mt 8:1-4       |
| Sat: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11  | Mt 16:13-19    |

### 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24  
2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13-15  
Mark 5:21-43

### 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 |             |

### AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for those who have died recently especially **Sylvia Fuss and Judith Molan** and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time including **David Rudin, Livio Dinelli and Adelina Francesca Autelitano**



### 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](mailto: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**



May we wake up from sleep and realise the Lord is present, guaranteeing safety on our journey.

| June 29/30                 | St John's<br>6.00pm      | St John's<br>8.30am                | St. John's<br>9.45am                              | St John's<br>11.15am             | St John's<br>5.00pm   |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>C'Tator<br/>Lectors</b> | L Hennessy<br>M Solomons | M De Almeida<br>M Campbell         | V Burnie<br>T Wursthorn                           | T Black<br>C Black               | E Umashankar<br>M Day |
| <b>Eucharist</b>           | C Pearson<br>B Meehan    | R Smith<br>G Smith<br>T McLaughlin | P Taggart<br>S Harrison<br>V Menon<br>N Wursthorn | J Rea<br>J Kiekebosh<br>N Nguyen | S Solomons            |
| <b>Laptop operator</b>     | C Kohomban.              | G Campbell                         |                                                   |                                  |                       |
| <b>Children Liturgist</b>  |                          |                                    |                                                   |                                  |                       |

**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

**PRAYER LINE MINISTRY @ ST JOHN'S**

*"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.  
God bless, Loredana

*Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.  
I will say of the Lord,  
"He is my refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."  
Psalm 91:1-2*

**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.

**ST JOHN'S CAFE**

Please come, enjoy a cuppa & chat with friends in the Narthex following the 10am Mass.  
All are welcome

**When:** Tuesday 16 July  
**Time:** 10:30am to 11:30am



**A MATINEE AT THE OPERA AT ST JOHN'S**

The next St. John's Seniors monthly 11am Mass (including anointing of the sick) & Lunch will be held on **Wednesday 3rd July** and it will be open to everyone who would like to enjoy a

**Matinee at the Opera.**

The Mass will be followed by an opera concert by Monica and Ben in the church and Lunch in the Narthex.



For catering purposes please call the Parish office 9401 6366 to confirm your attendance by Friday **28th June**.  
All are welcome.

**Donations welcome on the day**

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION - "Come and See"**

*John said, "Look, there is the lamb of God"... The disciples asked "Where do you live?"... "Come and see", Jesus replied. Jn 1:36-39*

Our next meditation gathering will be on Monday evening, **1 July at 7.30pm**. Consistent meditation is known to help calm our busy minds. If you are interested in deepening your spirituality, or want to strengthen your connection to God, you can benefit from meditation – even if you are new to it. Free of charge. All welcome. All enquiries Chris Ryan at the Parish Office, 9401 6366 - or simply turn up on the night. Looking forward to seeing you!



**HOLY ROSARY**

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



**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.

**ST JOHN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP**

Join us for morning tea.  
This month we will focus on  
"2024 the year of prayer"  
**Wednesday 24th June**  
Time: 10:30am to 11:30am  
Venue: St John's Parish office

**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

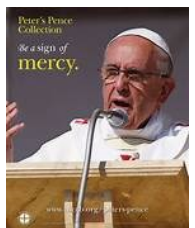
*"But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength".*

*2 Timothy 4:17*

**Gold coin donation welcome**

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information visit [www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html).





## DEFIBRILLATOR

St John's has recently installed a defibrillator in the Church for use in an emergency when someone has stopped breathing. If those assisting commence CPR chest compression immediately, while others call 000 and quickly access and fit the defibrillator, this maximizes the

chances the patient will recover successfully.

The defibrillator can be fitted and used, if necessary, by untrained people as when it is switched on it provides voice instructions and confirmation of the effectiveness of its attachment, confirms whether defibrillation is necessary and prompts those helping by giving step by step instructions, timing the effectiveness the CPR and providing feedback as to what needs to be done until the ambulance has arrived.

The defibrillator is kept in a clearly marked, security alarmed cabinet, on the north wall of the Church next to the back sacristy door.

When the AED cabinet door is opened an audible alarm sounds and a red light flashes.

This may draw the attention of others who can help with the emergency. When the cabinet door is closed, the alarm switches off.

For more information on the defibrillator watch [HeartSine 350P Training Video Link](#)

## NAIDOC MASS

**St Patrick's Cathedral**

Sunday 7th July 11am start

All Welcome



**St Francis Church**

326 Lonsdale Street

Melbourne

Sunday 14th July 11am

All Welcome

## MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS IN THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION

**10x Thursday, 12 Sept – 14 Nov 2024, 11am–12pm**

(in-person event) Roland Ashby

This series offers a beautiful space to stop for an hour to explore the ancient way of contemplation and tap into a deep spring of love, joy, peace and compassion at the centre of being. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/meditation-mindfulness-in-the-christian-tradition-sem2/?> or email

[info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne). Cost \$100 for the series.

## SAFEGUARDING NEWS

**Safeguarding Committee meeting—13th June 2024**

- Discussed the new version of the Self Assessment Tool
- Updates of the Safeguarding documents recording
- Discussed another possible Safeguarding Essential training held at St John's
- How to organise Masses on Aboriginal Sunday

If you a volunteer at St John's and you have not done the Safeguarding Essentials online training yet, we encourage to do it asap as it is a compulsory requirements to comply with the Safeguarding policies and procedures. You can access it at <https://safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/s/login/?>

## 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

## 2024 PARISH FIRST RECONCILIATION CLASSES

Preparation classes for the sacrament of Reconciliation will begin on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024

for students who do not attend a Catholic school.

These classes are conducted at Our Lady's Church Ringwood, Thursday afternoons 4:00 – 5:00pm.

For further information or to enrol your child contact Trish Chaston via email. [trish.chaston@cam.org.au](mailto:trish.chaston@cam.org.au)



## PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall has a new spot in the narthex and new items too. Statues, Rosary beads, rosary bracelets and pouches. Scapulars brown and green and 25 different medals, also prayer cards and holy pictures. If you are looking for a piety item we may be able to order it for you.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL— JUNE—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 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. The minimum is \$10. All you need to do is 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 083343**

**ACCT NO. 515 469 035**