



St. John's Parish Mitcham

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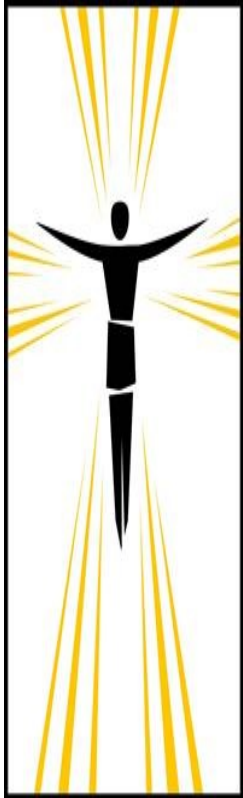
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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Sunday 1 June 2025 —Year C



The link of heaven and earth

As Jesus departs from us,
there is a new link between heaven and earth,
and we are present in heaven.

He brings our sufferings,
marked in the wounds of hands, feet and side.

He brings our sin,
which has wounded him
and through his wounds we are healed.
He gives on earth
the healing of heaven.

He brings our hopes,
alive in his risen body;
our hopes that good will overcome evil,
that justice will prevail over greed,
and that love is the most powerful force we know.
He brings with him
our hope that we will live forever,
and because he lives now in eternity,
we know we too shall live,
alive to joy and peace,
in the circle of love which is the home of God.

God's glory is Jesus fully alive,
God's glory is men and women fully alive,
fully alive to love,
to the call of God,
and to the life we can share with each other.
Each of us is the glory of God,
glimpsed partly here,
to be fully enjoyed in heaven.

Where Jesus is,
we shall follow.



NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

Bridging Now to Next

27 MAY — 3 JUNE | #NRW2025 | RECONCILIATION.ORG.AU

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: Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8 Jn 16:29-33

Tue: Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27 Jn 17:1-11

Wed: Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38 Jn 17:11-19

Thu: Acts of the Apostles 22:30; 23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26

Fri: Acts of the Apostles 25:13-21 Jn 21:15-19

Sat: Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20. 30-31 Jn 21:20-25

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

Weekday Masses

	St John's	Our Lady's
Tue	10am Mass	6pm Mass
Wed	10am Mass	
Thur	No Mass	9.15am Mass
Fri	9am Mass SJV 10am Mass SJM	



*Spend some time
in the Lord's gaze.
How does he view you?
What does He think about
your life?*

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for those who have died recently especially **Eduardo Turla and Sr Girlie Tanoy Barry** and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time including **Mathew Thomas, Rebecca Partridge (Beck), Giovanna Barbatiello, Margaret Philippa Farrelly, Veronica Therese Smith, Colin Langford and Edward Chong**



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."

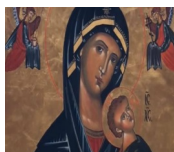
ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

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**



June 7/8	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 J Paisley G Wain	P Taggart V Menon N Wursthorn	J Rea J Kiekebosh N Nguyen S Kuruppa	S Solomons M Kristan
Laptop operator	C Kohomban.	A Bogoda	G Gill	T Luna	
Children Liturgist			A O'Reilly	D Hancock	

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



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

SENIORS GROUP MASS & LUNCH



The next St. John's Seniors monthly 11am Mass (including anointing of the sick) & Lunch will be held on **Wednesday 4 June** For catering purposes please call the Parish office 9401 6366 to confirm your attendance by Monday 2 June. All are welcome.



BAPTISM WELCOME

Today we welcome

George Quinn Perham, Matilda O'Malley, Joseph Andrew Kay, Avery Austin, Phoenix Josip Pletes, Sofia Marshall Luongo, Lucas Ballestrin, Gabriel Ballestrin, Liam John Moore, Sebastian Thomas Moore

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

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION FOR 2025

"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 gathering will be on Monday evening, **2nd June** 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!

27 May—3 June NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

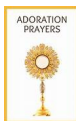
27 May marks the anniversary of the 1967 referendum when Australians voted to remove clauses in the Australian Constitution that discriminated against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. **3 June** marks the historic 1992 Mabo decision in which the High Court of Australia recognised native title—the recognition that First Nations Peoples rights over their lands did survive British colonisation.

This year's theme is **Bridging Now to Next** urges us to continue to push forward. At a time when Australia faces uncertainty in its reconciliation journey, this theme calls on all Australians to step forward together. Read more / to view /register events near you click on <https://www.reconciliation.org.au/calendar/>

PRAISE AND ADORATION NIGHT

Join us for

PRAISE AND ADORATION
on Friday 13th June at 7.30pm
at St John's Church



*Unite in praise through contemporary song
Followed by contemplative Eucharistic adoration.
A moment to reconnect, to be renewed
and to rest in His grace.*

Music by Genevieve Bryant

MISSIONARIES OF

HOPE

among all peoples



For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.



Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



St John's Parish 2025 Women's Retreat Weekend

The Power of Presence:

Connecting Through Prayer

Has it been a while since you feel
you have connected with God?

You are invited to our parish weekend for women!

When: Friday June 27, 7.30pm to Sunday June 29, 3pm

Where: Pallotti College, McNamara's Rd, Millgrove

Accommodation: in own room with shared bathroom

This retreat offers a chance to slow down, listen and connect with God in fresh and meaningful ways. Come and experience a variety of ways to pray, as well as enjoying rest and the fellowship of other parish women.

Facilitated by Kathleen Ward and including a session with Gen Bryant

For further information and to book:

<https://forms.gle/nzNdxEfCDWsu3zq8>

or contact Lorraine at lorraine613@bigpond.com

Please come!

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a range of savings accounts, including **5.10% p.a.* on a 6-month Term Investment**, it's a way to save while doing good. To find out more, visit www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer, scan the QR code, or speak to us on 1800 134 135.

*Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.

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

HOUSE OF BOOKS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

2025 marks the 25th year of operation of St John's House of Books. The bookshop has contributed greatly to the life of the Parish and to St Vincent de Paul.

A celebration marking the 25th birthday of the shop will be held on **Sunday 8th June** after the 11.15 am Mass at St John's. All volunteers and supporters, past and present are welcome to attend.



ST JOHN'S DINNER DANCE '25

Dance the night away with...

Summer Breeze

Guest Performance—**Genevieve Bryant**



**Saturday 5 July 2025
from 7pm to 12 midnight**

St John's Parish Hall,
494 Whitehorse Rd, Mitcham

Donation: **\$50 per person**
Sumptuous buffet dinner by
Sanni 18—BYO drinks

Proceeds to assist St John's Parish

Contact

Max—0478 323 037

Anton—0408 950 334

Parish Office—9401 6366

THE JANSSEN SPIRITUALITY CENTRE (JSC)

The Lectio Divina and Scripture Groups at JSC are sponsoring a Spirituality Dinner, featuring a conversation with Fr Chris Monaghan CP on the relevance of St. Paul's Letters in our time.

Venue: JSC, 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia.

Date & Time: **Friday 6th June** from 5:30pm until 8:30pm

Three-course Dinner, including drinks provided

Suggested donation: \$40

Booking (Asap): email: enquiries@janssencentre.au

Mobile: 0432 261 194 (Fr Thien)

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**



FREE TO A GOOD HOME

Motorised wheelchair in good condition. Will require new battery and charger. Contact the parish office at 94016366

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