



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Ringwood

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary (Year C)

17 August 2025

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

Principal: Jenny Rohan

admin@olringwood.catholic.edu.au

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FAITH IN ACTION

"Preach the Gospel at all times and, when necessary, use words."

~ St Francis of Assisi ~

Faith is lived through thoughtful choices made every day.

When we act with compassion and patience, even in small ways, we may bring comfort or strength to someone who needs it.

We can show kindness through calm, caring gestures –

- ◆ in how we speak when we're tired.
- ◆ in choosing patience when it would be easier to give in to frustration.
- ◆ in noticing someone's silence, even if they say they're fine.
- ◆ in listening fully, even when our mind is busy.
- ◆ in giving without expecting anything in return.
- ◆ in choosing to forgive, even when it's hard.
- ◆ in finding gratitude in the smallest moments.
- ◆ in giving others room to shine.
- ◆ in showing up, even when it's inconvenient.
- ◆ in remembering someone in our prayers, even if they'll never know.

These may seem like little things, but they matter. They're not done for attention, but through thoughtful, caring decisions.

Faith is often seen in the way we live, not just in what we say.

Our simple choices quietly shape the world around us, even when we don't see the full impact.



Dear Lord, may my faith be seen in how I treat others. Give me patience, courage and compassion, so that others feel cared for and valued in my presence. Amen.

Sourced from www.majellan.media

Please pray...

For those who are sick or suffering serious illness, their families and loved ones who care for them:

For those who have died recently

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Readings next Week

21st Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Is 66:18-21

Ps 116

Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

Lk 13:22-30

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

August 16/17

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Maria Cruz, Frances Cassidy

Eucharist: Jayke Beckwith, Kate & Andy Coombs

Music: Alys Cavanagh **Laptop:** Maureen Platt

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Angela Lacey, Kerry Peterson

Eucharist: Paula & Jim Corcoran, Sean Peterson

Music: Christian Gunawan **Laptop:** Jos Vandersman

Children's Liturgy: Ingrid Scott

Morning Tea: Team 3

August 23/24

Saturday 5:00

Lectors: Matt Giuliano, Jennifer Tolcher

Eucharist: Cheryl Tay, Margaret Roper,
Maureen Glennie

Music: Christian Gunawan **Laptop:** Royal Castellino

Sunday 9:30

Lectors: Jim Fuller, John Noronha

Eucharist: Tess Repalust, Evelyn Randrup,
Kath McCrae

Music: Our Lady's Singers **Laptop:** Danae Villani

Children's Liturgy: Tess Repalust

Morning Tea: Team 3

Linen, August: Shiny Kurian

Flowers:

Week 1 & 2—Elizabeth & Regina (Polish Community)

Week 3 & 4 — Margaret & Friend (Zomi Community)

Week 5—Glynis & Pol (Filipino Community)

Link for Readings of the Day

<https://universalis.com/>

australia.melbourne/20240301/mass.htm

1st Sunday of the Month—September 7

Polish Mass 8:00am

4th Sunday of the Month—August 24

Zomi Community Mass 2:00pm

Filipino Mass 5:00pm

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.

Dear Parishioners,

Our Lady's Conference of SVDP desperately need a new President, we are appealing to anyone who may want a challenge, who has knowledge of IT, and would like to give back to keeping SVDP alive in our Parish.

That is our main concern, we must remember all those former members who gave so much to help those in need, otherwise we will lose our Conference Status.

We are a small talented conference, quietly getting on what is asked of us, and highly acknowledged by Ringwood Regional Council.

All help and mentoring will be given to whoever chooses to consider this position.

I took on this role 5 years ago, and I will continue to be part of the conference. Believe me, it has been the most wonderful experience, I have learned so much: humility, not to judge, compassion, and appreciate all the help received from our conference members who are amazing.

Please give this a lot of thought, we have so much success from our Parishioners, Fr. Dispin, Our Lady's Mini Vinnies and Aquinas College, it has been a great year.

Prayers and blessings that we have touched the heart of someone who would endeavour to be our new President. Please contact Rosemary Campbell 0438123041 for more information.

Morning Tea

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



2025 PARISH SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION FORMATION PROGRAM

The 2025 Parish Formation First Reconciliation Program begins on Thursday 28th August 6:30 – 8:00pm at Our Lady's Church Ringwood. This program is intended for families wishing to prepare their child for First Reconciliation, especially those whose children are not enrolled in a Catholic school. Students must be in year 3 or higher to engage with this program. To enrol, or find out more about the program please contact Trish via this email address: trish.chaston@cam.org.au

Sacrament of Confirmation—Saturday August 16

Many young people of our Parish were Confirmed during a special celebration on Saturday. Keep them and their families in your prayers.



Renovation Fundraising Update

Donations are still trickling in with \$89046.20 raised. Thank you for your continued generosity including a recent donation of \$1000.

2025 Archbishop's Campaign

The 2025 Archbishop's Campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the campaign brochure which you will find in your pew and in the foyer today. Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, the University of Divinity Building Fund as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants. Non-tax-deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation and evangelisation ministries. Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift. Tear-off pledge cards are attached to the campaign envelopes in the church. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishops_campaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials.



CAKE STALL FUNDRAISING

We're excited to announce a Cake Stall after Mass on the 7th September to help raise funds for our young parishioners attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)! Come along and treat yourself to a delicious selection of homemade cakes, slices, cookies, and other sweet goodies – all lovingly baked by members of our parish, including our Polish Community. Your support will help our youth grow in faith, community, and leadership as they prepare to join thousands of other young Catholics from across the country at ACYF. Donations of baked goods are warmly welcome! Please remember to label your baking with your name and all the ingredients that you have used.

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.

Child Safety

The Child Safety Officers can be identified by a name tag. They 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.

Jubilee Year—Pilgrims of Hope

The theme of this Jubilee is Pilgrims of Hope. If you are unable to travel to Rome during the Jubilee Year, you are invited on a local journey of reconciliation and renewal by participating in the 2025 Jubilee at one or more of the many Pilgrim Places across the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, where plenary indulgences may be obtained as part of this very special time. Pilgrim Places across the Archdiocese of Melbourne will offer extended hours, additional Masses, Reconciliation, and Adoration. Pilgrims will receive a commemorative postcard, monthly reflections, and a Pilgrim Passport (available for a small donation) to be stamped at each location. Local Pilgrim Places will welcome visitors from February 2025 to 6 January 2026. Besides the Cathedral as a Pilgrim Place, Sacred Heart Church, Croydon is the closest to us. A not too distant pilgrimage location, which offers various experiences for pilgrims this Jubilee Year, including Masses, Reconciliation and adoration.

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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
On behalf of the Conference thank you for your donation.

Outreach Pastoral Care Ministry

Pastoral care is available @ Our Lady's, if you or someone you know would like to have a chat, please don't hesitate to call me (Loredana) on 0423 313 336 or e-mail loredana.iacobucci@cam.org.au.

Everyday Comfort Reflections

Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much.
You can never love her more than Jesus did.

St. Maximilian Kolbe

RCIA – St John's and Our Lady's A Journey in Faith

Come and See.

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?

And Much More.....

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. We acknowledge that this land continues to be sacred to them.

Stewardship Corner

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." LUKE 12:51

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

<https://resources.archstl.org/article/359120/stewardship-bulletin-inserts>

Supporting the Parish

Through the Stewardship Program, parishioners are asked to pledge a regular 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. 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](#) or use the QR
Code
Please chose where you
wish your
support to go.



Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council: First Wednesday of Month
Parish Finance Council:
Safeguarding Committee: 7:30pm
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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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>

Journey through loss—August 13

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

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. The Bookshop is open from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 1pm on Saturdays.

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