



St. John's Parish Mitcham

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The Ascension of the Lord May 13th 2018—Year B

The way, truth and life

Risen Lord,

Be the way that guides my steps,
be the truth that enlightens my mind,
be the life that gives love to my heart.

Be the way:

the sure path on ground even or uneven,
on the straight or turning road,
the narrow or the wide.

The path of life bears your footprints.

Share it with me.

You are the way
to truth, to life, to heaven.

Be the truth:

the golden string in uncertainty,
glimpsed or fully known.

The meaning of life bears your word.

Share it with us.

You are the truth
on the way, of life, about heaven.

Be the life:

the hope and optimism in love,
the third in every friendship.

All love bears your life.

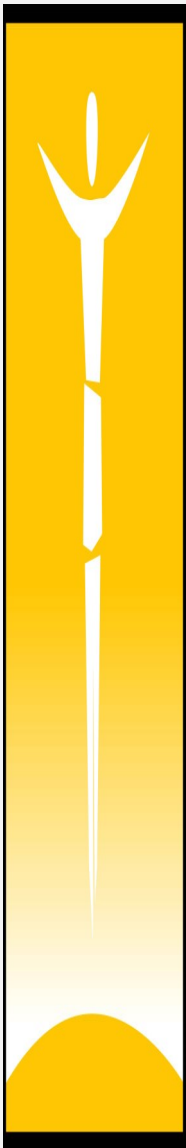
Share it, Lord Jesus.

You are the life,
on our way, in the truth, forever in heaven.

Communion Reflections—Donal Neary SJ

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**A VERY HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
TO ALL THE MUMS IN OUR PARISH.**

“St John's Parish community, committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards”



Parish Information

Normal Weekend Mass Times at St. John's

Saturday Vigil, 6pm, then 8.30am, 9.45am, 11.15am, 5pm 9.30am St James Vermont

Parish Priest

Fr Dispin John

Pastoral Associate:

Maree O'Keefe (Tuesday-Friday Sunday am)

Pastoral Care:

Monika Bredhauer—Pastoral Care and Bereavement Ministry
— Coordination of Communion to the Sick

Parish Office

Office hours:

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm Ph: **98731341**

Parish Secretaries:

Martine Giles (Monday-Wednesday & Friday)

Elisa Kelesidis (Tuesday—Friday)

Schools

St John's School, 494 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, **9874 1575**

Principal: Mrs Jacqui Marshall

St. James School, 51 Centre Road, Vermont, **9874 1830**

Principal: Mr David Mutimer

Services: St Vincent de Paul Shop 2/82 Maroondah Hwy Ringwood **9870 9124** - St Vincent de Paul Furniture Pick-Ups **1800 621 349**
The House of Books (house next door to the Church) **9874 2389** - St Vincent de Paul Welfare Assistance **1800 305 330**

RE for Government Schools:

Andrew Puls 0407 352 706

Scripture Readings for week

Mon: Acts 1:15-17,20-26	John 15:9-17
Tue: Acts 20:17-27	John 17:1-11
Wed: Acts 20:28-38	John 17:11-19
Thur: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11	John 17:20-26
Fri: Acts 25:13-21	John 21:15-19
Sat: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31	John 21:20-25
Sun: Pentecost	
Genesis 11:1-9	
Romans 8:22-27	John 7:37-39

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for **Geoff Peacock, Lucia Di Mauro, Palmira Micheli, Duncan Baxter, Jamie Giles** and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time, **Ursula Kierce, Fr. Noel Kierce O'Carroll, Nessie Treadwell, Joseph McCorkell, Melchora Acido, Alfredo Acido, Harry Studham, Ernest Tomlinson, John Tighe, Ismay Allen, Antonio Di Simone.**



Weekday Masses this week in our Parish

Monday	1.30pm Rosary & 2pm Funeral Mass for Palmira Micheli
Tuesday	10am Mass 12 noon Funeral Prayers for Geoffrey Peacock
Wednesday	10am Mass
Thursday	10.20am Mass SJV 11am Funeral Mass for Duncan Baxter
Friday	10am Mass
Saturday	9am Morning Prayer & Communion Service 9.30am Reconciliation

St Vincent de Paul—Piety Stall
Have you visited our new Piety Stall in the Narthex?

There is new stock available to see.

*Travelling Rosary will be held at the home of Joan Cox from **Sunday 13 May to Friday 18 May at 7.30pm.***
Enquiries Helen 9874 7024



Inspiration for the coming week from the Compassion and Friendship Group

***A Mother is like a flower, each one beautiful and unique....
Happy Mother's Day.***

May 19/20	St Johns 6pm	St. John's 8.30am	St John's 9.45am	St. John's 11.15am	St John's 5pm	St James 9.30am
C'Tator	L D'Silva	M Perkins	T Henry	D Kennedy	M Stuart	
Lector	L Hennessy	C Ryan	K Callinan-Moore	J Kiekebosch	B Jordan	L McCarthy
Eucharist	M Webb	M Coghlan	T Harkin	H McIlroy	M Kristan	N Winter
	M Pinto	R Smith	T A Foster	C Brindle	M Campbell	L Cairnduff
	Y Martin	G Smith	A Martonyi	L Iacobucci	S Partridge	
				M Hegarty		
Children's Liturgy						S Dowds R Hamilton-Smith
Laptop	N Pinto	M Truong	M Foster	Kennedy Family	A Jordan	
Welcome Desk		J Milton	M Easton	M Coghlan	M Kristan	



Catholic Social Teaching—What Can I Do About it here and now?

National Sorry Day 2018

Saturday May 26th

National Sorry Day is an Australia-wide observance held on May 26th each year. This day gives people the chance to come together and share the steps towards healing for the stolen generations, their families and communities.

Various National Sorry Day activities and events take place on this day.

For more information on Melbourne events log on to www.onlymelbourne.com.au/national-sorry-day

Unfortunately the church heating system is need of repair which may take some time. However, we have been fortunate that Jeff Bernard of Cool Breeze Rentals in Hallam, a friend of Bernie Kiekebosch, has offered to supply a heating system free of charge whilst repairs take place.

A very big thank you is extended to Jeff for his generosity especially as the cooler weather is upon us.

Liturgy Roster 2018-2019

Yes—IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

We need to re-do our roster for Lectors, Commentators and Ministers of Eucharist at weekend Mass. If you need to come off the roster or better still be part of our new roster (training provided if required) please contact Maree on 9873 1341 or Tricia on 9872 4903 over the next week or two. The roster is due to commence in June 2018.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL-May

Coffee, tins of spaghetti, vegetables & fruit. Please leave donations in the tub at the Piety Stall in the Narthex.

Conference Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm.

Enquiries to Parish Office for details.

ONLY FOOD ITEMS & small household cleaning & toiletry items are to be placed in the box beside the Piety Stall counter. All other items should be placed in the St Vincent de Paul Bin at the Basketball courts.

SAVE THE DATE

St Johns Parish

Womens Retreat Weekend

Date: Friday 29th June to Sunday 2nd July

Facilitator: Tim Moloney cfc

Venue: Pallotti College Millgrove

Cost: \$220

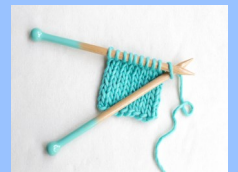
For further information, contact **Helen Lucas** on **0435 232 101** or email helen.lucas@seerpharma.com.au

See flyer on parish website - What's On What's New

St John's Student Social Justice Team are hoping to start a knitting club on Wednesdays at 11am to knit blanket squares for those in need during the cold winter months.

If you have a Working with Children card and would like to join us please contact Monica O'Shannassy

moshannassy@sjmithcam.catholic.edu.au or 98741575. Many Thanks



PYX (container for taking hosts to the sick) Please note if you are not using could you please return as soon as possible either to the Sacristy or Parish Office. Thank you



Social & Other

ST JOHN'S SENIORS

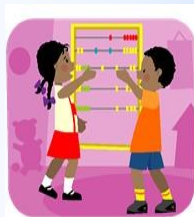
Next Wednesday 16th May we will take a day trip to Clarkfield to the Ghost Pub leaving from footy ground at 9am Cost is \$45. Morning tea and lunch included. All enquiries contact **Helen 98740809**.

ST SCHOLASTICA'S BENNETTSWOOD KINDERGARTEN

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 26 MAY 12PM –2PM
13 Pheasant , Burwood

Come and enjoy
Kids crafts & activities
Free cupcake on arrival & sausage sizzle
Jumping Castle & Face Painting



www.stscholasticaskinder.com.au

St Vincent de Paul Society—Victoria COMPEER PROGRAM

Compeer is a friendship program that matches volunteers with people living with a diagnosed mental illness, for one-to-one companionship for an hour a week. An invitation is extended to attend an Upcoming Information Session to be held at Box Hill on: **Monday 14 Monday 2018**

Please contact the Compeer office to find out more or to make a booking. Phone 9895 5886 or email compeer@sudp-vic.org.au

“Autism Q&A presented by Autism Family Support Association”

‘Taking Care of Carers’

to be held on Tuesday 29th May 2018
at the Waratah Room

Whitehorse Centre, Nunawading at 10am to 2pm

This is an opportunity for parents and carers to ask an expert panel questions relating to the issues and situations they face parenting their family members with autism.

Registration is via TRYBOOKING by accessing the website www.afsaconnect.org.au

Cost \$20 for AFSA members & \$30 for non-members
Registration closes at 5pm Wednesday 23 May, 2018

Aquinas College Exam Supervisors

Aquinas College in Ringwood wishes to employ enthusiastic and suitably experienced VCE Exam Supervisors. These are casual positions and applicants must be available on the following dates:



- **13 June 2018** (approximate hours: 8.30am-2pm)
- **31 October—21 November 2018**
(note: there are a range of shifts between 3 & 6 hours long, between the hours of 8.30am-6pm)

For conditions of employment and a copy of the Position Description, please refer to our website:
<http://www.aquinas.vic.edu.au/employment>

Aquinas College promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.

Applications close on **Monday 28 May 2018 at 4pm** and can be made via the College website.

The Pearl Project Trivia Night

Friday 18th May—8pm
Surrey Hills / Wattle Park Parish Hall
311 Mont Albert Rd Surrey Hills
(enter via York St)

\$25 per person—BYO nibbles, glasses & drinks

The trivia night is in support of Kibanga community in Uganda, of which some parishioners of Wattle Park have been involved with, along with Fr. Stephens, who will be visiting Australia and will attend this event.

All bookings to be made via <https://www.trybooking.com/VCMN> and must be made by 11th May. Games will also be held on the night, so bring along your gold coins.

If you can help out with any donations of goods and/or services to auction on the night please contact Sue Whelan on swheelz024@yahoo.com.au or 0405465739

OUR LADY OF SION COLLEGE 90TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Principal, Tina Apostolopoulos warmly invites all past staff & students of Our Lady of Sion College to attend an afternoon of reunion and reminiscing. Catch up with colleagues and friends, enjoy a tour of the College to see what has changed and enjoy afternoon tea with musical entertainment from our award-winning ensembles.

Saturday 19 May 2018 2pm-4.30pm

RSVP for catering purposes

www.trybooking.com/335414

All queries contact: Robyn
paststudents@sion.catholic.edu.au

We look forward to welcoming you back to Sion.



Speaking the Truth in love. Ephs. 4:15

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