



St. John's Parish Mitcham

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PENTECOST SUNDAY June 4 2017 —Year A

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.

*Today we remember the birth of the Church,
the day we give thanks to God
for being part of the work of Jesus,
sent among us from the love of God,
sent within us to share the love of God*

*The bravest of all life's calls is to love,
to say Yes to the call to love
husband or wife, children;
to say Yes to the call to love
the large family of God's people.*

*A call to all,
married, single, priest, religious.*

*The birth of the Church
is like celebrating the birth of someone we love:
we celebrate who the person is,
not the ideal of what the person might be;
we give thanks for the person's past,
rejoice in another's present life,
and hope for the future.*

*We do that this day as Christians:
celebrate our Church as it is,
with its sinful members and its saints,
with its weak and its strong,
with its young and its old.*

*We celebrate the good done for many centuries
by people who took joyfully the words to their hearts,
As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.*

*And we want the Spirit of God
to refresh and renew within us
the desire we have
to receive and spread the love of God
wherever we can.*

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.

Communion Reflections—Donal Neary SJ

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

Visiting Priest
Fr John Van Suylen

Pastoral Associate:

Maree O'Keefe (Tuesday-Friday Sunday am)

Pastoral Care:

Monika Bredhauer—Pastoral Care and Bereavement Ministry
Parish Office—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 Andrew Mullaly

RE for Government Schools:

Andrew Puls 0407 352 706

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**

Scripture Readings for week

Mon: Tobit 1:3 2:1-8	Mark 12:1-12
Tue Tobit 2:9-14	Mark 12:13-17
Wed: Tobit 3:1-11 16-17	Mark 12:18-27
Thur: Tobit 6:10-11 7:1, 9-14	Mark 12:28-34
	8:4-9
Fri: Tobit 11:5-17	Mark 12:35-37
Sat: Tobit 12:1 5-15 20	Mark 12:38-44
Sun: The Most Holy Trinity	
Exodus 34:4-6 8-9	
2 Corinthians 13:11-13	John 3:16-18

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal Life for **Fr Jerome D'Souza** (cousin of Robert Rodrigues) and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time, **Frank Stone, Colin Langford, John Elford, Eric Elford, Florence Elford, Henry Elford, John Monk, Florsefina Villanueva, Rebecca (Beck) Partridge, Maude Comarwel, Josefa Lentejas Torres, Blanche Marie Fitzpatrick.**



Weekday Masses this week in our Parish

Monday	Church Closed
Tuesday	12noon Communion Service
Wednesday	10am Communion Service
Thursday	No 9.15am Mass SJV
Friday	No 10am Mass 11.30am Anointing Mass
Saturday	9am Morning Prayer & Communion Service 9.30am Reconciliation

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: Maureen 9894 3288.**



Travelling Rosary —will be held at the home of Maureen Donnellan from Sunday 4 June to Friday 9 June, 9874 6048.
Enquiries Helen on 9874 7024



June 10 /11	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	P Richards	C Anderson	V Burnie	T Black	M Day	
Lector	J David	L Thorneycroft	D Ranjit	C Black	M Greenwood	N Vernal
Eucharist	P Bateman	K Thorneycroft	P Taggart	M Crowe	T Rhynehart	C Gorry
	C Pearson	R Smith	S Harrison	N Flores	P Wallace	R McIntosh
	M Perkins	G Smith	D Matchado	T Fernandes	S Solomons	
	B Meehan	H de Kauwe	K Callinan-Moore	J Kiekebosch		
				T Vaz		

Children's Liturgy

No Children's Liturgy due to the Long Weekend

Laptop	J Sexton	F Foley	N Santamaria	Black family	S Chan
Welcome Desk	C Nicolas	B Francis	M Davison	A Monks	



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

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Monday 5th June has been designated by the UN as World Environment Day, a time when we need to pause and consider the care of our planet.

See the Social Justice Noticeboard for further details.



Creator God,
We pray for us all, that might restore our relationships with each other and work together to heal the earth.
Renew us in your grace for the sake of your creation.
Amen.

JUNE CALENDAR



- Thur 1 - PLT dinner & formation evening 6.30pm
- Sat 3 **PENTECOST**—Confirmation enrolment & Yr 6 Mass 6pm & 9.45am
- Sun 4 **PENTECOST**
- Mon 5 **CLERGY CONFERENCE** - June 8
- Tues 6 - Parish Management Group (PMG) 10.45am
- Communion Service 12noon
- Wed 7 - Communion Service 10am
- Music Ministry practice 7.30pm
- Thur 8 - Liturgy Planning with SJV Staff—3.45pm
- Fri 9 - Anointing Mass 11.30am
- Mon 12 **QUEENS BIRTHDAY—OFFICE CLOSED**
- Tues 13 - PMG & Lunch 1pm
- Mitcham Catholic Solo Grp 12.45pm
- FE Practice Grp 1—4pm
- Wed 14 - FE Practice Grp 2—4pm
- Music Ministry practice 7.30pm
- Thur 15 **CONFIRMATION RETREAT DAY** 9.15am –3pm
CONFIRMATION PARENT INFO NIGHT 7.30pm
- Sat 17 - **FIRST EUCHARIST GROUP 1** 6pm Mass
- Sun 18 - **FIRST EUCHARIST GROUP 2**—9.45am Mass
- **FIRST EUCHARIST GROUP 3**—11.15am Mass
- Yr 7 Reunion Mass & Pizza Night 5pm-7pm
- Tues 20 - PMG & Lunch 1pm
- Home Mass FE Grp 5—6.30pm
- Wed 21 - FE Practice Grps 4 & 5—4pm
- Music Ministry practice 7.30pm
- Thur 22 - Planning with Staff—Yr 5 Parent Night 4pm
- Fri 23 **FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART**
- 10am Mass SJM & 12noon Mass SJV
- Home Mass FE Grp 7—6.30pm
- Sat 24 - **FIRST EUCHARIST GRP 4** 6pm Mass
- Sun 25 - Baptism Anointing & Stole Presentation 9.45am
- **FIRST EUCHARIST GROUP 5** 11.15am Mass
- Mon 26 - Compassion & Friendship Group 10.30am
- Tues 27 - PMG & Lunch 1pm
- Wed 28 - SJM Prep Interviews
- FE Practice Grps 6 & 7—4pm
- Music Ministry practice 7.30pm
- Thu 29 - Liturgy Planning with SJV Staff 3.45pm
- Fr 30 - Term 2 ends

The **Anointing Mass** is to be held on **Friday 9 June at 11.30am** followed by a luncheon in the Coghlan Centre. (no cost involved). For catering purposes and / or transport please ring the **Parish office on 9873 1341.**



It would be greatly appreciated if you could reply by Monday 5 June at the latest.

Have you been considering becoming a Minister of Eucharist or visiting the sick and housebound in our Parish?

Perhaps you are unsure and have questions?

Please join us at our meeting on Wednesday 14th June after 10am Mass and stay for morning tea afterwards.

Please call Monika on 0438 220 361

Pope Francis Fellow 2017 Program
 Newman College, University of Melbourne
 887 Swanston St Parkville

Presents **Listening to Pope Francis: Challenging Nationalism, Market Rule & Overconfidence in Technology—Friday 23 June 5pm-6.30pm & Pope Francis & the Common Good: Where is our Society Going? Saturday 24 June 10am-1pm**

Bishop Robert McElory is a native of **San Francisco**, and did his graduate studies in the field of **Catholic Social Teaching**. He is the **Bishop of San Diego** and a strong advocate for the care of the poor especially the over 200,000 undocumented migrants in his diocese

These are free events but please **RSVP** for catering purposes.
Br Mark O'Connor FMS mark.oconnor@marists.org.au or 0429 694 707.

Inspiration for the coming week from the Compassion and Friendship Group



Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.

Social & Other

ST JOHN'S SENIORS

Next **Wednesday, 7 June**, the Seniors will be going to the Morning Melodies at Mitcham Hotel starting at 10am.

Enquiries: Helen 9874 0809

ST VINCENT DE PAUL June

Jam, Vegemite, Pasta Tinned Vegetables, Coffee. 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 Glyn McIntosh 9873 5772

ONLY FOOD ITEMS are to be placed in the boxes behind the Piety Stall counter. All other items should be placed in the St Vincent de Paul Bin at the Basketball courts.

KEY REGISTER

We are currently updating our Key Register and would ask that if any parishioner has a key could they please let the parish office know of the key number so it can be recorded. If you no longer require the key could it be returned to the parish office as soon as possible. Many thanks



EMMAUS COLLEGE OPEN DAY Vermont South Campus

THURSDAY, 29 JUNE 2017
1.30pm—6.30pm

For tour bookings or more information visit
www.emmaus.vic.edu.au

COMPASSION AND FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Our next gathering will be **Monday 5th June** in the Lyon Room at 10.30am. We will farewell Autumn and have a Winter reflection then warm up with a nice morning tea together. We would love you to join us please call **Monika** on **0438 220 361** if you have any questions.

VERMONT UNITING COMMUNITY CENTRE 640 Canterbury Rd, Vermont PLAYGROUP

We are currently looking for more families to join our Vermont Playgroup which meets Mondays from 10.30am—12noon. The sessions run during the school term. For more information please call AnaMaria 0447 369 994 / 9874 2508.



Don Bosco Camp, Safety Beach— A Catholic winter holiday program for young people 9-13yo (Junior) and 13-16(Senior), during upcoming school holidays. A fun, exciting holiday for all, regardless of financial circumstances, in a safe and supportive environment. For more information visit www.donboscocamp.org.au or call 5987 2692.



St Vincent de Paul are looking for donations of **Sewing Machines** to assist the needs of community groups. Donations can be left in the Narthex or Parish Office.

Thank you, Kevin Raphael (St Vincent de Paul)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Invest in your most precious asset... Your Marriage



Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. **Melbourne dates: 28-30 July 2017. Starts 7pm on Friday and ends 5pm Sunday.** Accommodation and meals provided. For further information and bookings contact Marianne & Marcel 9733 0997 or email vicbookings@wwme.org.au Or the website on www.wwme.org.au for further information.

St Johns Parish Womens Retreat Weekend

Allowing God to work in us is a life-long process. During this weekend you will be gently led by Colleen in a program that allows us to access our core strengths and befriend our compulsive behaviours for personal development and wholeness. All are welcome.

Venue: Pallotti College Millgrove

Cost: \$210 (3 meals Saturday, 2 meals Sunday, private room shared bathroom)

Date: Friday 30th June 8pm to 3pm Sunday 2 July

Facilitator: Sr Colleen Leonard — Spiritual director of the Ignation tradition who works at Campion CIS

For further information or booking contact **Helen Lucas** on **0435232101** or helen.lucas@seerpharma.com.au

Come join **Premiere Irish band Saoirse** for an afternoon of songs and scones (and a few jigs for good measure) on Sunday 2nd July from 3 -6pm.

Bookings essential.

Contact Bernadette on 0417 055 190
\$25 entry free with a Devonshire tea included.

