



# St. John's Parish Mitcham

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## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 18h 2018—Year B

### ARCHBISHOP'S VISIT

On Saturday **December 8th** our new **Archbishop Peter Comensoli** will be visiting our parish and will lead the celebration of Eucharist at 6pm Mass. All parishioners are invited to attend and stay for a while after Mass to meet Archbishop Peter and to share in a cuppa afterward. BYO small plate of supper to share.

### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

#### What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

This question is what the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference has identified and approved as the question for discussion and response leading up to the Plenary Council of 2020.

Every community in every parish, Catholic school, Catholic agencies, religious institutes and ecclesial movements are invited to participate either as a group or individually in the listening and dialogue sessions.

The feedback will go to the Plenary Council Working Group in each diocese and needs to be submitted by Ash Wednesday 2019.

If you wish to send an individual submission or would like more information please go to the Archdiocesan website homepage and click on the Plenary Council icon.

St John's Parish will provide opportunities for those who would like to participate in a group dialogue and response on **Sunday December 9th** at **3.30pm** in the **Narthex** or at St James Community Centre at a date to be decided. Please indicate your expression of interest and preferred time at the Parish Office 9873 1341 or contact Maree on [maree.okeefe@cam.org.au](mailto:maree.okeefe@cam.org.au)

**"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 )

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

Co-ordinator: Cath Brindle—0423 065 825

#### Bereavement Ministry:

Monika Bredhauer

#### Parish Office

Office hours:

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm Ph: 9873 1341

Parish Secretaries:

Martine Giles (Monday-Wednesday & Friday)

Elisa Kelesidis (Tuesday—Friday)

#### RE for Government Schools:

Andrew Puls 0407 352 706

#### 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

### Scripture Readings for week

Mon: Revelation 1:1-4 2:1-5 Luke 18:35-43

Tue: Revelation 3:1-6 14-22 Luke 19:1-10

Wed: Revelation 4:1-11 Luke 19:11-28

Thur: Revelation 5:1-10 Luke 19:41-44

Fri: Revelation 10:8-11 Luke 19:45-48

Sat: Revelation 11:4-12 Luke 20:27-40

Sun: **Feast of Christ the King**

Daniel 7:13-14

Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33-37

### AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We welcome into our Parish Family through the sacrament of Baptism **Grace Louise Brine.**



We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal life for **Dennis Walsh, Pearl Reeves** and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time, **Ray Milton, Chinnamma Xavier, P.V. Joseph, Les Foran.**

### 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.**



### Weekday Masses this week in our Parish

Monday	(Church Closed)
Tuesday	10am Mass
Wednesday	10am Mass
Thursday	10.20am Mass SJV
Friday	10am Mass
Saturday	9am Morning Prayer & Communion Service 9.30am Reconciliation

**Travelling Rosary will be held from Sunday 18 November to Friday 23 November at 7.30pm.**

**Enquiries Helen 9874 7024**



### Inspiration for the coming week from the Compassion and Friendship Group



*"If you make listening and observation your occupation you will gain much more than you can by talk."*  
*Robert Baden Powell.*

Nov 24 / 25	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
<b>C'Tator</b>	M&N Bredhauer	A Buchanan	A Crowe	G Lewis	K Harvey	
<b>Lector</b>	A Livy	E George	B Mills	Z D'Silva	P Wallace	N Vernal
<b>Eucharist</b>	M Livy	F McKenna	T Harkin	A Glenn	K Placido	H Lucas
	E Booth	R Jess	M Lafferty	S Catacutan	C Kook	B Kenny
	R McIntosh	Jancy Kaithavelil	D Tew	M Holmes	J Rhynehart	
	M Batagello	J Kaithavelil	C Bramble	T Vaz		
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>						P Stewart A Stewart
<b>Laptop</b>	L Elliott	B Meehan	G Gill	Black family	M Lambert	
<b>Welcome Desk</b>	M Ayling	J/B Houlihan	B Clancy	V Keys		



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

Many thanks to those people from our parish community who attended the '**Stable One**' gathering to discuss the issue of **Homelessness** in our local area.

There will be information to follow.  
Watch this space!

**CHILD SAFETY**

**St John's has a Sign in & Sign Out policy for all individuals & groups visiting parish/school grounds during school hours.**



The **Anointing Mass & Luncheon** is to be held on **Friday 7 December at 11.30am** followed by a **Christmas luncheon** in the Narthex.  
(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 3 December.**



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL—November—Christmas Cake, Christmas Pudding, Long Life Custard, Tinned Ham, Shorbread Biscuits, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Carrots, Peas & Corn, Savoury Biscuits.**



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: Ross Hancock 0419 117 343.**

**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.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL—PIETY STALL**

**NOW SELLING....**

**Mary Torpy Christmas CD—\$15**

**Quiet Visions, by Mary Torpy (Cotter)**

*18 beautiful tracks capturing the spirit and humanity of Christmas.*

**\$5 from each CD is donated to St Vincent de Paul.**

Also selling is the

**Columban Calendar for \$8.50**  
**Christmas Cards pack of 8— \$4.20**

**CatholicCare Sunday Appeal**

CatholicCare would like to thank the community of St John the Evangelist Mitcham Parish for its generous donation of **\$1,080** to the recent CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. Your generosity supports the vital work of CatholicCare, who work on behalf of the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Together we fulfill the Church's mission of service to the community. We help families and individuals to develop strong and healthy relationships, and ease the pain of difficult life transitions so that they can live 'life to the full'. Thank you for enabling us to continue this vital work.

# Social & Other

## Seniors Trip Wednesday 21st November

On Wednesday 21st November the Seniors are going to **Gerbera gardens** and the **Alpaca farm**. We will have morning tea there with scones, jam and cream, with lunch at Dixons Creek Café.

Cost is \$40 incl entrance fee and morning tea, but lunch is your own choice. Should be a lovely day for the last trip of the year and anyone who would like to join us will be most welcome. All queries to **Helen** on **9874 0809**

Our Lady of Sion College, Box Hill warmly invites prospective students and families to attend a Talk and Tour morning: 23 November at 9.30am. To register [info@sion.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@sion.catholic.edu.au) Enrolments for Yr 7 2021 open on 1 February 2019



Speaking the Truth in love. Ephs. 4:15

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**The Family Care Sisters** facility at **Croydon**, offers holistic care to all women (aged 20-69) who are in need of a peaceful environment, 'time-out', support or nurturing. Our weekly (residential) program offers time for rest and relaxation, as well as group sessions on topics such as 'relaxation', 'well being', 'self-awareness', 'coming home'. Special weeks, called "Focus" weeks are also offered through the year. Suggested cost: \$30 per day. For further information or to book in: contact us on ph 9723 6797 [www.familycaresisters.com.au](http://www.familycaresisters.com.au) or [resthme.familycare@bigpond.com](mailto:resthme.familycare@bigpond.com)

## Announcements

Parishioners are welcome to have special moments announced at the end of mass on the weekends. For example, special birthdays, engagements, weddings, births, anniversaries etc. If you wish for a special announcement to be made or if you are a new parishioner could you please advise the Parish Office on 9873 1341 by 12 noon on the Thursday for that particular weekend.

### Is peace of mind important to you?

Deciding to move into an aged care home is an emotional, life-changing decision. Knowing your loved one is safe and well looked after is the most important consideration. If you the security of knowing your family member's individual needs are cared for, we invite you to visit Wantirna Aged Care Residence to meet our exceptional staff and learn more about our fantastic lifestyle programs.

Call us now for your personal tour.

Villa Maria Catholic Homes  
Wantirna Aged Care Residence  
Phone 1300 845 526 or  
[visit vmch.com.au](http://visit.vmch.com.au)  
355 Stud Road, Wantirna

### Volunteer with Palms Australia Make an Encounter in 2019

Palms Encounters are rich immersions that challenge perceptions of our neighbours, guided by Palms mission volunteers with cultural experience of Timor Leste, Manmar and Samoa.

**Timor Leste—April & September**  
**Samoa—June**  
**Myanmar—November**

Call us on (02) 9560 5333 or go to  
[www.palms.org.au/encounters](http://www.palms.org.au/encounters)

## Welcome

**Welcome to our Parish**—Please make yourself known at the **Welcome Desk** in the Narthex and collect your **Information Package** which we hope will be of value to you.