



St. John's Parish Mitcham

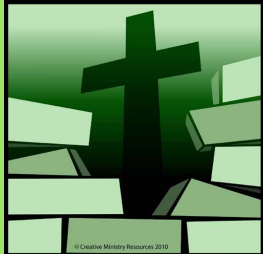
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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13th 2016 —Year C

Your endurance will win you your lives.

Isn't courage something we really admire in people?

A child learning to walk and making efforts,
even when she falls or he has to be helped at every step.

A young person trying again after exam failure,
or making yet another job application.

People who make it against the odds
of illness or handicap or deep hurt.

Courage is strength from the inside.

How to nourish this strength?

Look at the face of Jesus
and see the face of God

alive with courage in face of death,

shining with courage in the face of rejection,

a face communicating strength—

strength born in the depths of his suffering—

strength to his friends like you and me when we suffer.

We need courage in love;

when the care we try to offer is rejected,
and we feel let-down and no good;

We need courage when we try to work on behalf
of those who are neglected, homeless, poor,
and our efforts are destroyed by greed in society.

We need courage

in the love which cares for people in pain,
and we feel helpless and angry on their behalf.

Look at the face of Jesus,
alive and shining with courage;

look at the eyes of Jesus,

eyes hopeful with love and friendship,

shining with compassion, for you and me;

an enduring love which is faithful forever.

His endurance won him his life;

he will ensure that our endurance will win us ours.

Communion Reflections—Donal Nary SJ

CHURCH LOST PROPERTY BOX—The lost property box in the Narthex is overflowing with umbrellas, sunglasses, scarves, childrens toys and books, drink bottles etc, can you please check if any of these belong to you! The contents of the box will be donated to Fete if these belongings are not redeemed soon. Thank you

Parish Information

Normal Weekend Mass Times at St. John's

Saturday Vigil, 6pm, then 8.30am, 9.45am, 11.15am, 5pm

Parish Priest

Fr Mark Reynolds

Visiting Priests

Fr John Van Suylen

Pastoral Associate:

Maree O'Keefe (Tuesday-Friday Sunday am)

Pastoral Care:

Monika Bredhauer—Pastoral Care and Bereavement Ministry
Kevin Hay—Coordination of Communion to the Sick
Sr Margaret Richmond—Visitation

Parish Office

Office hours:
Monday-Friday 9am-4pm Ph: **98731341**
Parish Secretaries:
Martine Giles (Monday-Wednesday)
Elisa Kelesidis (Wednesday—Friday)
Therese Matson, Finance Office (Tue only)

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: 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: Christ the King	
2Samuel 5:1-3	
Colossians 1:12-20	Luke 23:35-43

AMONGST OUR PARISH FAMILY

We ask for the grace and peace of Eternal Life for **Dorothy Murphy** and for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time, **Marea Kiekebosch, Merlyn Alwis, Marie Alwis, George Arulanandam, Alfred Rogers, Peter Stone, Margaret Eklund.**



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	Midday Communion Service
Wednesday	10am Communion Service
Thursday	No 9.15am Mass - SJV
Friday	10am Mass
Saturday	9am Morning Prayer & Communion Service

No Reconciliation

Travelling Rosary 2016—The travelling Rosary will be held this week **Sunday November 13th —Friday November 18h at the home of **Joan Cox 9874 4150.** Enquiries Helen on 9874 7024.**



November 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	T Wursthorn
Eucharist	M Webb	J Franklin	T Harkin	H McIlroy	M Kristan	J McCarthy
	M Pinto	M Coghlan	T A Foster	C Brindle	M Campbell	C Gorry
	Y Martin		C Boyd	L Iacobucci	S Partridge	
			A Martonyi			
Children's Liturgy			A Elliott			A McLaughlin
			L Elliott			E Tibballs
Laptop	N Pinto	M Truong	M Foster	Kennedy Family	A Jordan	
Welcome Desk	J David	J Milton	M Easton	M Coghlan	M Kristan	



St Johns Parish 65th Anniversary

Memorabilia needed!!! 1952—2016

St John's Parish will celebrate its 65th year in February 2017. As part of our celebrations, we plan to commemorate school and parish life since 1952 with an exhibition of memories. We are calling for any photographs, vintage school items (from both St John's and St James) sacramental mementos etc.. If you have a story of a memorable school or parish event, we'd love to hear it! Contributions may be dropped at the Parish Office. A box will also be placed in the narthex. Please include name and item details, along with a return address and contact phone number. If you would prefer items to be collected in person, or have any queries / ideas / stories, please contact Janine Sexton on janinecallanan5@gmail.com or call 0408 992 537. We look forward to compiling as many items as possible, to build a fabulous display of our Parish life across the decades.



CARDS FOR SALE

Sr Angelica (Sisters of the Disciples of the Divine Master) will be selling Christmas cards and other cards after 8.30am, 9.45am & 11.15am masses next Sunday 20th November. Funds from the sale of the cards will go towards funding an orphanage in Burma.

The Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre 362 Albert St East Melbourne will open on Saturday 19 November from 10-4pm to enable visitors to prepare for the Christmas season with a visit to the Mary MacKillop Museum & Chapel. A guided Tour will take place at 11am with the option of morning/afternoon tea available. Religious Christmas gifts, cards, books and decorations, including Peruvian items, will be available from the gift shop.

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. St Vincent de Paul Christmas cards are available at the Piety Stall. Cards are in packs of 8 and are priced at \$4.20 a pack or 5-pack cards are \$3.00 per pack. The Piety Stall has received a donation of some colourful home made rosaries and rosary bracelets which are on sale at \$2.50 each. Columban Calendars now on sale for \$8.50. Genevieve Bryant's beautiful CD "Little Things" - \$20.

REMEMBRANCE PHOTO DISPLAY

During the month of November we will be remembering those who have died in the last 12 months. If you wish to have a photo on display in the church, please leave the photo with the person's name on the back, either at the Parish Office or in a named envelope in the Sacristy. If you should any queries, please call Monika on 0438 220 361.

MASS FOR THE NEWLY BAPTISED

During 9.45am Mass on Sunday November 20 we will welcome those children who have been baptised in recent months. If you have a child who was baptised in the past 3 or 4 months and would like to attend this Mass please contact Maree on 9873 1341 or email Maree.OKeefe@cam.org.au



BINNAP PARTNERS FUNDRAISER for THE ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY FOR VICTORIA

invite you to attend a film afternoon to see: ELLA (a Nova exclusive) Cinema Nova 380 Lygon St Carlton 9347 5331 on Saturday 26 November at 2pm approx (check website on day for correct time www.cinemanova.com.au To book please call Pat on 98787939 or email jandpschmidt@bigpond.com (Pat will be away from 7-12 Nov). Kindly note bookings to be made by 21 November Cost \$20 per ticket.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL November: Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Carrots, Christmas Cake, Christmas Pudding, Shortbread Biscuits UHT Custard, Jelly Crystals. Please leave donations in the tub at the Piety Stall in the Narthex.—Conference Meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month and on the 3rd Wednesday 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.

Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality Walking with God in the Wilderness

A week-long Retreat in Wilson's Promontory National Park Sunday 20 November—Saturday 26 November 2016 Cost \$1100 inclusive of main meals, accommodation & guides. For more information please see flyer on noticeboard or on the Parish website To make a booking contact 9854 8110 or email secretary@campion.asn.au

Inspiration for the coming week from the Compassion and Friendship Group

Time decides who you meet in life, your heart decides who you want in your life, and your behavior decides who stays in your life.



FETE—SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19—1 week to FETE DAY

ST JOHN'S PARISH FETE NEWS—HELP WANTED

Parish Stall Co-ordinator to assist stalls that are currently run by stall holders with the logistics of supporting them in the operation of the stalls.

Book Stall co-ordinator

Dutch Pancakes Stall co-ordinator

Training and mentoring will be provided, no experience is necessary. Please call Andrew Russell on 0402 529 308 or leave your details with the parish or school office.

FETE WRISTBANDS

There has been a change to purchasing wristbands for the FETE rides this year. You will need to go on line to trybooking.com and pay for them on line. You can find the instructions on our website under the FETE tab. www.stjohnsmitcham.com.au



PRE - LOVED CLOTHES

We are still collecting quality, washed & ironed clothes, plus shoes, handbags & accessories for our very popular pre-loved stall at the FETE.

Remember the items you donate can only be re-sold if they are in good condition. A clothes rack will be in the **Garage** beside the Parish Office for you to hang your clothes on (no need to bag them). Leonie Sissins on 0417 459 610

FETE NEWS—STALL TRADING HOURS

The FETE is only a week away and the transformation of the Schools has begun in preparation. This year we are committed to ensuring that the FETE is a wonderful and safe experience for everyone. To meet this commitment it is essential that the FETE trading hours are adhered to. This will assist in the FETE being packed up in a timely, safe and efficient manner. Fete activities and stalls will finish at **5pm sharp**. We appreciate that this will impact activities that may have traditionally continued in the Durkin Hall while the Fete has been packed away. As a result we would like to invite Parents and Parishioners to assist with the packing and cleaning of the site from 5—6pm at which point JJ's Bar will be reopened with at cost drinks and free nibbles to help celebrate the day. I am sure that we can all respect the need to provide a safe, equitable worksite and I look forward to you joining us in this transition. - FETE Committee



ST JOHN'S FETE PRELOVED CLOTHES PREVIEW NIGHT COGLAN CENTRE ALL WELCOME

**Tuesday 15 November 2016
7.30pm to 9pm.**

Enjoy a glass of sparkling and a nibble while you snap up some bargains, all for a gold coin donation.

2016 Parish Fete Raffle

Tickets on sale today—**LAST DAYS**

There are fifteen fabulous prizes to be won.

Tickets are just \$2.00

St John's Mitcham Parish Fete Raffle Prizes:

1st **\$2,000 Shopping Voucher** from a Shopping Centre of your choice

Donated by Biggin & Scott Mitcham

2nd **\$1000 Shopping Voucher** from a Shopping Centre of your choice.

Tickets are on sale after all Masses today or on Fete Day.

Please return tickets sold or unsold after any Mass today, or during the week to the Parish Office, or bring them along to the Fete.

Can't make it to the Fete, then please consider buying a few tickets in the raffle today. **Many thanks for your support of the Parish Fete Raffle.** Rob & Gracie Smith

URGENT Volunteers required for all **Stalls.**
YOU can help make the day a giant success.

SOMETHING NEW FOR 2016...ELECTRONIC VOLUNTEER REGISTRATIONS!

Get a favourite stall, or time, get in early to lock it in...

Select the Stall name to follow the links:

<http://www.stjohnsmitcham.com.au/static/uploads/files/2016-fete-volunteers-all-stalls-wfinowmjdox.pdf>

CAKE STALL—We are inviting parishioners to put your aprons on and bake something delicious for the cake stall this year. A favourite cake, slice or biscuits would be a wonderful and much appreciated contribution to our cake stall. You can deliver your baked goods to the Cake Stall area at St John's between 1pm and 3.30pm on Friday 18th November or take them directly to the Cake Stall area on Fete Day from 9am. Health Regulations require that all items need to be recorded in the registration book when they are delivered, so please make sure deliveries are made during the specified times. If you would like to contribute to our stall, please find plates, instructions and labels in the Narthex which can be picked up after mass on the **13th November**. Please make sure all baked goods are labelled as outlined in the instructions. If packaging items for individual sale please make sure each individual item is clearly labelled. Many thanks in advance. Enquiries Carolyn Gorry 0405 309 145 or Melanie Hosie 0422 136 155.



PRE—LOVED CLOTHES Sorters Needed

**Are you able to spare an hour or two to help sort through all the lovely donations? We are currently sorting on:
Sundays 11am—2pm & Mondays 1.30pm—3pm
Come and see us in the Hall or contact Leonie on
0417 459 610**

St John's Seniors—On **Wednesday, 16th November**, the Seniors are going on their last coach outing for the year. We are going to see the **Buddhist Gardens at Yuroke** (just past the airport) and then on to Windy Hill for lunch. Morning tea and lunch are incl in price \$50, leaving from footy ground at 9am. As this is our last trip for the year, we are inviting anyone else who would like to join us, to contact Helen on 98740809. You will be made most welcome.