



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 22-23 July 2023

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Masses:

Tuesdays 9am St Gerard's Warrandyte

Sundays 10:30am—1st Sunday of the month @ St Anne's, every other Sunday at St Gerard's.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL—St. Anne's

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IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST—RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Margaret Grant, Edna Leeson, Elena Urmelis, Guiseppe Di Gregorio, Shannon Risson, Giovanna Gottardo, Carmel Clarke, Bob Egan and Bert Mahoney

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Adrian Ness, Carol Vallance, Chris Neate, Edna Danelutti, Tyler, Helen, Justine, Dan Higgins, Christian Heskett, Will Laussen, Darren Brock, Kerry McIntyre, Lyn Read, Judy Kennedy, Pam, Angela Cannistra

Readings this week: Wisdom 12.13, 16-19; Romans 8.26-27; Matthew 13.24-43

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

Holy Spirit Parish Vision

At Holy Spirit Parish, we are an inviting community inspired by the Holy Spirit; welcoming everyone to worship, grow, belong and serve together as Disciples of Christ.



Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK—24th-30th July 2023

MONDAY

TUESDAY

9.15-10.00 am Meditation, Holy Spirit Chapel
8.00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Spirit Chapel

WEDNESDAY

9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel
6.00 pm Rosary via Zoom

THURSDAY

10.00 am Men's Chat Group, Mary Bresnan Room
7.30 pm Choir Practice, Holy Spirit Chapel

FRIDAY

9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel
10.00 am Ladies Luncheon, Ringwood Club

SATURDAY

6.00 pm Mass, Holy Spirit Church (FIRST EUCHARIST MASS)

SUNDAY

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church
5.00 pm Mass, St Anne's, Park Orchards (FIRST EUCHARIST MASS)
4.00-5.00 pm High Spirits, Mary Bresnan Room

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 29th-30th July 2023

Mass Coordinators:

6.00 pm: Mary Ryan

9.00 am: Tina Toomey

5.00 pm: Volunteer

Lectors:

6.00 pm: Vin Dwyer

9.00 am: Jocelyn D'Souza

5.00 pm: Volunteer

Welcomers

6.00 pm: Robin Walsh

9.00 am: Don Schroder

Tea and Coffee: **9.00 am:** Nola Ryan and Norma Brown

Holy Spirit Web Site - www.holyspiritparish.org.au:

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- "News, Events": ref menu
- "How we stay connected", online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page

Parish Database Update Please remember to advise the parish staff of any changes to phone and email details so we can update our database via email to Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or phone 7036 9395.



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ZOOM ROSARY

Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm—Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ

Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio

Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: acornelio@connecteast.com.au for inclusion weekly.

Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Holy Spirit Chapel for prayer, praise and worship and fellowship. If interested, contact Jacek on 0490 884 914 or Ann on 0437 127 326.

Tuesday Meditation Tuesdays @ 9:15am in the Holy Spirit Chapel (not during School holidays). Please contact Len on 0401 519 727 if you have queries.

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On the Journey this week: On the Journey this week: We celebrate 10 years of the weekly radio show broadcasts on 30 Christian radio stations across Australia as well as podcast to an extensive and growing audience. In the Gospel reflection Fr Mark De Battista focuses on the parable about the weeds being sown in the wheat crop and says that it's a real question for us in our lives to wonder, why does God permit good and evil side by side? Mother Hilda recalls a visit to a ruined monastery in Tautra, Norway, called Mariakloster, Sam Clear explains the purpose of his Walk for Christian unity, Marilyn Rodrigues gives the 5 P's to becoming a successful parent, Byron & Francine Pirola say a willingness to grow is a key to a successful marriage, and more great music! Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime

Stewardship Program 2023 Reminder.

Many thanks to those who have already updated their contributions. If you have not yet done so and intend to, please do it today. If you have any questions speak to Jenny or Ruth Tuesday through Friday and I am sure they can help you. Also if you happen to have missed out, the Donate Button on the website now has all the text and videos of the presentations. Thank you again.

5pm Mass Sunday 30th July.

Please note on Sunday 30th July, 5pm Mass will be held at St Anne's for First Communion children from St Anne's School.

Dear Parishioners

As a parish we will resume communion under both kinds, commencing the weekend 4th/5th August 2023.

The procedures for receiving Eucharist as outlined by the Australian Bishops Conference is as follows:

GUIDELINES FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

6. When ministering the Blood of Christ, hold the chalice up as the communicant comes before you and address them with the words "The Blood of Christ" and allow them to reply "Amen". These ritual dialogues are expressions of the Catholic Church's faith and are spiritually formative. They should, therefore, not be replaced by other words.

7. Carefully hand the chalice over to the communicant and allow them to take a sip from the chalice and hand the chalice back to you. Be ready to provide assistance to children, the disabled and the elderly, as required. 8. Wipe both sides of the rim of the chalice with the purifier, then rotate the chalice enough to offer the next communicant a fresh surface from which to consume (GIRM 286).

GUIDELINES FOR COMMUNICANTS

12. When receiving Communion in the hand, the communicant might be guided by the words of St Cyril of Jerusalem (313-386AD): "When you approach, take care not to do so with your hand stretched out and your fingers open or apart, but rather place your left hand as a throne beneath your right, as befits one who is about to receive the King. Then receive him, taking care that nothing is lost" (Cat. Myst V. 21-22). Communicants who are left-handed are obviously free to receive Communion on whichever hand they feel most comfortable.

13. As a sign of reverence for the Body of Christ, communicants and ministers should ensure that their hands appear clean.

14. When the minister says "The Body of Christ", reply "Amen" (GIRM 161). When receiving in the hand, step to one side after receiving the host and consume the whole of it immediately. When receiving on the tongue, communicants should open their mouths sufficiently and position their tongue to facilitate easy reception of the host.

15. If desired, move to the minister with the chalice. When the minister says "The Blood of Christ", reply "Amen," receive the chalice, drink a little from it, and return the chalice to the minister.

16. **In keeping with Christ's command to take and drink and consistent with the Church's tradition that the sacraments be ministered, it is not permitted for communicants to self-intinct (or dip) the host in the chalice. The practice of dipping fingers with the host in the chalice can also lead to other hygiene issues.**

17. Return reverently to your place.

If you would like to resume being an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, please contact Ruth to be include on the roster. You will need to have a current WWCC, Signed Code of Conduct, Completed Safeguarding Training.

All parishioners are invited to a **Mass of Anointing** followed by light lunch & entertainment on Wednesday 9th August at 11am in the Church. This will be a pupil free day, so there will be ample parking onsite for anyone attending the Mass. Please note that 9:15am Mass will not be celebrated in the chapel on that day. For catering purposes, we will need to know numbers. Please fill in the sign up sheet on the word table or contact the Parish Office:

ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or 70369395 by Friday 4th August.

LORD, My God, I called to you for help and you healed me. Psalm 30:2



Driver needed.

A local mum needs assistance with driving her 10 year old son to & from school from their home in East Ringwood to Dorset Primary School. (8:30am & 3:30pm). If you can help please call Hemila on 0455 660 526.



AT ALPHA, YOU CAN ASK ANYTHING... SERIOUSLY!

ALPHA is a safe space to ask questions about
Life, Faith and Meaning
there's a seat for **you** at the table
on **Sunday August 6th**



Alpha is "an opportunity to explore the meaning of life". It's a place to come and discuss the **big questions**. It's a timeout where you can think about these things, listen to others and discuss your own thoughts. Spending time with others to discuss these things will help shed some light on those issues we all grapple with.

Alpha is run all over the world. It's sharing food, a talk and small group discussion. We'll provide the venue and food, so you can discuss the big questions of life with a mixture of people including your friends and colleagues. Intrigued?... then Come & See!

STARTING Sunday 6th August @ 7pm
Venue: Holy Spirit Parish House, 120 Oban Road,
Ringwood North

This evening is a wine and cheese supper with discussion about the topic '**Is there more to life than this?**'. We finish at 9 p.m. sharp. No cost. What have you got to lose?

Registration: <https://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/alpha>

Link to short Try Alpha video: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/182479526>

Maybe you have done Alpha before and want to support this program. You can do so in several ways – offering prayer support, offering to help with catering, making a financial donation towards the cost of running Alpha at Holy Spirit Parish. If you would like to contribute, please contact Maryann [0429 876 434] or Kerry [0407764302] or send us an email: alpharsvp@holyspiritparish.org.au

Forum on the "Voice to Parliament" Referendum

Do you feel you know enough about the upcoming **Voice to Parliament Referendum**?

Would you like the chance to explore its implications and ask questions?

If you are seeking more information or understanding this is the forum for you.

It will be presented by Dr Heather Wearne who is a volunteer educator with the "Yes 23" national campaign. Heather is a retired academic who worked in tertiary and secondary education and she has much experience with Indigenous issues. She will provide background information about the **"Uluru Statement From the Heart"** and the **"Voice to Parliament"**. She will share her understanding and knowledge about **Constitutional recognition** and the reasons why it matters so much to many First Nations Peoples. She will speak to the role and function of the Voice to Parliament and discuss what is at stake with the **Referendum**. Heather will make sure that there will be time to answer your questions and uncertainties about the Voice.

Date and Time: The Forum will be held at St John's Church, 494 Whitehorse Rd, Mitcham on Sunday 6th August from 12:00 noon (after the 11:15am Mass) until about 2:30pm. Light lunch provided.

Our Lady of Sion College Talk and Tour Mornings for Term 3

FRIDAY 21 JULY, 9.30 AM; TUESDAY 1 AUGUST, 9.30 AM; MONDAY 14 AUGUST, 9.30 AM

Please visit the website to book a tour: sion.catholic.edu.au

APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2025 (current Year 5s) close 18 August 2023



FIRST EUCHARIST 2023

Congratulations to the children from Holy Spirit School who receive their 1st Communion this weekend. Next weekend at the Saturday evening Mass, the last group of Holy Spirit Students will receive the Sacrament. Please keep the children, their families and teachers in your prayers.



HOLY SPIRIT LADIES MORNING TEA-LUNCH!

To all ladies and friends of Holy Spirit Parish please come and join us on the 28th July 2023 for lunch at the Ringwood Club. As we need numbers for the booking, please sign up using the sheet in the foyer at church or contact the Parish Office on 70369395 by Wednesday 26th July. Thank you, Judy

Soul Inspired Art Exhibition – September 4 – 22, 2023

An Exhibition Celebrating Life – Regeneration

Soul Inspired expressions of life and the world around us.

Born out of COVID seclusions, our inaugural Exhibition of 2022 celebrated the resilience and appreciation of our Ringwood North community as part of the Holy Spirit Parish 50th Anniversary year. We continue to celebrate all aspects of community and the courage of artists by inviting you to exhibit your work in our 2023 Exhibition.

We welcome artists of all abilities and stages of your artistic journey.

This exhibition will be held in The Arbour Space, Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station Street, Box Hill Vic 3128 <https://www.bhcac.com.au/>

For Information sheet and further details please email: Helen@konynenburg.com

Subject: Soul Inspired Art Exhibition

Sing Australia Ringwood - Concert

Where? Holy Spirit Church - 120 Oban Road Ringwood North.

Parking is available at the venue or at the nearby shopping centre.

When? Sunday July 30th 2023 at 2:00pm

Why? Because it is fun, toe-tapping, thought provoking and you will feel welcomed.

Afternoon tea provided

Admittance: General \$15. Concession \$10. Children free

Everyone welcome



POSITIONS VACANT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

- Archdiocesan Personal Assistant, Western Region
- Executive Officer, East Melbourne

Parish Positions

- Parish Secretary – Holy Family Parish, Doveton
- Pastoral Worker - St Peter's & Paul's Parish, Doncaster East
- Parish Coordinator- St Jude's Parish, Scoresby
- Parish Secretary-Our Lady of Southern Cross Parish, Clifton Hill

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: [Job vacancies | Melbourne Catholic](#)

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hadmin@cam.org.au



Mindfulness & Meditation – Saturday, 28 August 2023, 10 am – 3.30 pm (in-person)

When we are present to the 'now', centredness and relaxation become a natural part of life, and we know how to act from a heart of love. Facilitated by Paola Cheng who is a Spiritual Director, mental health social worker and meditation teacher, this is a day of prayer in the practice of Mindfulness and Meditation. We invite you to bring an open mind and heart to

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Celebrant:

God our Father. You sent your Son Jesus into the world as a member of a family. In union with Jesus, we make these our prayers to you.

Reader:

We pray for the children making their First Eucharist this weekend. May they be blessed with Jesus' love as they share in this special meal by coming to the table of the Lord for the very first time. We also pray for their families and friends. May they know how important their love and support has been during this preparation time for First Eucharist. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray that we may become faithful followers who recognize that everything we have in life is a gift from God. Inspire us to share these gifts so that we may all grow deeper in our faith. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for the wisdom to recognize the small ways God is at work in our lives so that we may cooperate with Him who accomplishes great things. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We thank you for your loving kindness. May those who feel isolated and abandoned be comforted in the knowledge that God's love is unending. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for a deepening of prayer; that we may courageously wait in silence for the Spirit to make intercession through us. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Edna Leeson, Elena Urmelis, Guiseppe Di Gregorio, Shannon Risson, Giovanna Gottardo, Carmel Clarke, Bob Egan and Bert Mahoney.

May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant:

Loving God. We thank you for the many ways you have blessed us especially for the gift of our families and friends. May we learn a new wisdom of your teaching and walk in your ways. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

REFLECTION: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."-Matthew 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds". We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

FIRST READING

Wisdom 12.13, 16-19

*You have filled your children with good hope,
because you give repentance for sins.*

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

13 There is no god besides you, Lord, whose care is for all people,
to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly.

16 For your strength is the source of righteousness,
and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all.

17 For you show your strength
when people doubt the completeness of your power,
and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.

18 Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness,
and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose.

19 Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind,
and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 86.5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (R.5)

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

5 You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

6 Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. **R.**

9 All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name. 10 For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. **R.**

15 But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

16 Turn to me and be gracious to me. Give your strength to your servant. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 8.26-27

The Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

26 The Spirit helps us in our weakness;
for we do not know how to pray as we ought,
but that very Spirit intercedes
with sighs too deep for words.

27 And God, who searches the heart,
knows what is the mind of the Spirit,
because the Spirit intercedes for the saints
according to the will of God.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMAT I O N

Alleluia, alleluia

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia

GOSPEL

Matthew 13.24-43

Let both of them grow together until the harvest.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

24 Jesus put before the crowds a parable:

“The kingdom of heaven may be compared
to someone who sowed good seed in his field;

25 but while everybody was asleep,
an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away.

26 “So when the plants came up and bore grain,
then the weeds appeared as well.

27 And the slaves of the householder came and said to him,
‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field?
Where, then, did these weeds come from?’

28 He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’

The slaves said to him,

‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’

29 But he replied, ‘No;
for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them.

30 Let both of them grow together until the harvest;
and at harvest time I will tell the reapers,
Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned,
but gather the wheat into my barn.”

31 Jesus put before them another parable:

“The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed
that someone took and sowed in his field;

32 it is the smallest of all the seeds,
but when it has grown
it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree,
so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

33 He told them another parable:

“The kingdom of heaven is like yeast
that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour
until all of it was leavened.”

The gospel of the Lord.