



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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STREAMING OF MASSES

Mass is being streamed every Sunday at 9:00 am and Wednesday at 8:00 am. To access the stream, please visit our website www.cam.org.au/millpark and click on the link provided on the homepage.

ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL

We now have an online parish payment portal, CDFpay for Parishes.

You can set up a recurring payment, if you haven't done so already, or you can choose a one-off offering. The St Francis of Assisi Mill Park site can be found via the link on our website www.cam.org.au/millpark

You can select to contribute to either the parish or presbytery. Please note that contributions to 'presbytery' will not be recorded towards your family's thanksgiving contributions.

We ask that you please enter your current envelope number under the 'notes' section. If you don't know your number please email millpark@cam.org.au or call 9407 6701.

Thank you to all who are supporting our parish.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF LEBANON

following the Beirut blast

God of Compassion,

You are strength to those who suffer and comfort to those who grieve. We pray for the people of Lebanon in this time of disaster. Embrace those who died so suddenly and console those who grieve for loved ones.

United in solidarity with our Lebanese sisters and brothers we pray: For healing and strength for those injured and suffering That the international community will respond with generosity and compassion And that stability and peace will be restored in Lebanon.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

- Jo Brady RSJ Caritas Australia



The newsletter will be available each week in the Presbytery foyer and on our website www.cam.org.au/millpark

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Connie Camilleri, Salvatore Di Stefano, Faye Barnes.

Death Anniversaries: Joseph George, John Taliana, Maria Victoria Fava.

Those who are ill: David Wallace, Anthony Lethbridge, Sam Pisani, Maria Concepcion Alcedo, Danuata Plaskota, Rebecca Scaringi, Marina Manabat, Isau Issac, Sharon Barber, Flor Madio, Brian Rooney, John Pathinathan, Alfio & Giovanna Tringal, Herve Incouf, Maria Ljutic, Inaam Jerjis, Nilcar Gacula.

Dear Parishioners,

While we have entered into stage 4 restrictions please be aware that our Sunday and Wednesday Masses will still be streamed online, and Funeral Masses with no more than 10 mourners are permissible. Unfortunately Baptisms and Weddings are not to take place until further notice. At this time priests are only permitted to provide Holy Communion (Viaticum) and Anointing of the Sick to parishioners in grave mortal danger.

Our Deacon Simeon was contacted by the Seminary Rector during the week informing him, along with the other deacons, that their ordination to the priesthood is postponed. The new date is yet to be decided. Please keep him and all the other deacons and seminarians in your prayers.

One message that is being spoken about often is the need for people to remain in contact with others. It is a very challenging time for people who are isolated to feel connected to others. If you know of anyone in these circumstances please call them or let us know at the presbytery and we will make a 'Pastoral Phone Call'. Furthermore the Cells of Evangelisation have extended an invitation for anyone who would like to join them for a cells meeting at any time. All the contact details are listed below. Feel free to contact me if you would like further information about Cell Groups.

And finally, earlier this year we gave short extracts about the lives of Saints who suffered serious illnesses. We thought we might include a few more of these over the coming weeks to bolster people's faith and spirits.

God Bless, Fr Anthony Girolami.

SAINT WHO?

Saints Who Suffered Serious Illness

Blessed Artemide Zatti

Religious (+ 1951) Feast: 15 March

A native of Reggio Emilia in northern Italy, Artemide emigrated with his family to Argentina as a boy. He worked in a tile factory and then entered the Salesian seminary. After helping to care for a sick priest in the infirmary, Artemide became gravely ill with tuberculosis. He was sent one hundred miles away to the mountain air of Viedma, where Father Evaristo Garrone staffed a small mission hospital.

Father Garrone suggested to Artemide that he pray to the Blessed Virgin, promising his life in service to the poor if he should be cured. When the prayer was answered, Artemide left off his seminary studies, took vows as a Salesian brother, and began to serve in the hospital. Two years later, Father Garrone died, and Artemide became head of the hospital and pharmacy. For the next thirty-eight years, he served the poor of Viedma day in and day out, without holiday or break. He slept only five hours each night, and travelled everywhere on bicycle. A contemporary said that he was "not only a provider of medicine, but... a medicine for others by his presence, his songs, his voice".

At the age of seventy, Artemide fell from a ladder as he was attempting to repair a leaky water tank on the hospital roof. During his recovery, his doctors discovered that he had advanced liver cancer. He died a few months later, already accounted a saint.

Loving Father, through the intercession of Blessed Artemide Zatti, so transform me that those who see me are drawn to you.

Come Along Online!

During the pandemic the Parish Cells of Evangelisation are meeting online each week and we would like to share this opportunity with our fellow parishioners. You are invited to come and join with a group to share fellowship and friendship with like-minded people belonging to St Francis parish. You are welcome to make contact with people on the list below – we will help you link in online if you need. (There is no future obligation to become a member of a Cell group).

Meeting Times:

Monday 7:00 pm
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Tuesday 10:30 am
Wednesday 7:30 pm
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