



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021

PARISH PRIEST	Fr Anthony Girolami	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Jose Mathew
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Ignacia Coching - 9407 6720	YOUTH MINISTER	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6704
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SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	Mark Basile - 9407 3100		

WEEKEND MASS TIMES Saturday vigil: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES Monday – Saturday 9:15 am.

RECONCILIATION Wednesday 7:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesday evening after Mass and Novena

ADORATION Saturday 9:45 am

Saturday 9:45 am – 10:30 am concluding with Benediction

VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm	Next Mass: TBD
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass: TBD
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass: TBD
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass: TBD
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass: TBD
MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.	Next Mass: TBD
NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH:	1st Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am Mass.	
ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:	2nd Wednesday of the month after 9:15am Mass.	
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.	
LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the church fellowship area. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:	Every Friday at 7:00 pm in the chapel.	
PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:	Contact Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.	
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:	Every Friday at 3:00 pm in the chapel and after Friday morning 9:15am mass.	
LIFE TEEN:	Every Sunday during school terms after 5pm Mass. Contact Carmel - millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au for further details.	

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR WHEN WE RETURN:

- Masks must be worn inside the church for those 12 years and older.
- Please do not attend if you are unwell.
- Please arrive at least 15 minutes early to enable check in via QR code.
- Please bring your mobile phone to check in.
- Children under 12 months of age do not require a booking.
- The Church doors are required to be closed at the beginning of Mass so late entry will not be permitted.
- If you have made a booking and are no longer able to attend please cancel your booking by following the prompts in your Trybooking confirmation email, or if you are unable, phone the presbytery on 9407 6700.

STREAMING OF MASS

Mass will be livestreamed this 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.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS - Contributions can be dropped off between 9am and 5pm each day at the parish office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mark Ramos, Baby Bullanday, Benvinedo Capitulo, Riya Roy.

IN MEMORIAM: Doreen D'Silva.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Herve Incoul, Vicki Heath, Rosy See, Pria Jacob, Koshy Philip, Varghese Paul, Zahra McMahan, Nora Gacillos, Philomena McManus.

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

Dear Parishioners,

Last week I spoke about the importance of Covid-19 vaccinations. It has certainly taken on a new emphasis with the government mandating Covid-19 vaccinations for the Building Industry, Medical and Nursing front lines and now those working in schools. As I mentioned last week there is no religious reasons for not being vaccinated against Covid-19. In fact the Holy Father Pope Francis praised the work of researchers and scientists saying, "Thanks to God's grace and to the work of many, we now have vaccines to protect us from Covid-19". He went on to say getting the vaccine brings hope to end the pandemic, but only if they are available to all and if we collaborate with one another. He said receiving the vaccine is also an act of love, love for oneself, love for our families and friends, and love for all people. Love is also social and political. By social and political love he maintained "that even small gestures, no matter how small, show that love is always grand". Many small acts lead to a better future. The roadmaps categorised by phases B and C are based on the number of people who are vaccinated. Furthermore, those permitted in the Church will depend on the number of vaccinated people. Please be assured we will not be preventing people who are not vaccinated from attending Mass. But we must bear in mind that in Phase C we are only permitted to have 20 people who are unvaccinated at Mass, while we will be permitted to have 150 vaccinated people. And the unresolved question is, are we able to have both vaccinated and unvaccinated people at the same Mass, and if so at what capacity? We are heading for a minefield. The simple solution is, please get vaccinated. 'Take one for the team.' Please.

God bless,

Fr. Anthony Girolami



WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY EVENING 2021

Theme: Celebrating Women's Strengths

Guest Speaker: Sr. Nicole Rotaru RSM
Friday 29th October 2021 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Due to current restrictions this event may have to be postponed. Please await further updates. Bookings have been temporarily suspended. If the event does not go ahead all bookings will be fully refunded.

LOCKDOWN LIGHT—WEEK FOUR

A WEEKLY SERIES BRINGING 'LIGHT' TO THIS TIME OF LOCKDOWN ...

Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations below.

Podcasts for Christian living: Parents of the Saints—How Did They Do It?

In this podcast, Jason Evert speaks with Patrick O'Hearn about his new book 'Parents of the Saints: The Hidden Heroes Behind Our Favourite Saints', offering key insights into the families of popular saints. Listen at www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving4

Getting to know your Bible: Praying with Scripture

Getting Started: In this short video, Fr James Martin SJ introduces us Lectio Divina—a way of praying with the Bible that helps us listen to God. Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted4

Going Deeper: Pray as You Go is an online prayer tool that provides a guided contemplation of each day's Gospel passage. Set aside 10-15 minutes, find a comfy space and visit www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper4

Each year, Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum holds a National Week of Prayer and Action (NWP) to engage the Australian Catholic community across schools, organisations and parishes, to take action and stand in solidarity with people seeking asylum. This year the NWP will begin on 26th September 2021 the day of World Migrant and Refugee Sunday, and run through to 1st October 2021.

Over the years we have seen the Australian Catholic community rally together in support of people seeking asylum. School students have held outdoor assemblies and actions, whilst local parishes have partaken in 'circles of silence' and prayer vigils to show their support. This year, we are calling on the CAPSA community to take Action for Afghanistan during NWP 2021.

As a part of this year's NWP, we would like to invite you to **our upcoming CAPSA Webinar: A Call to Prayer and Action for Afghanistan, happening next Tuesday 28th September at 7:00pm.**

The TOP 3 ways you can take action during the National Week of Prayer and Action 2021:

Send an email to your local MP urging them to take #ActionForAfghanistan

Attend the upcoming CAPSA Webinar: 'A Call to Prayer and Action for Afghanistan'

Sign the Action for Afghanistan petition.

Visit www.capsa.org.au/nwpa21 to find out how you can take action this NWP