



# St Francis of Assisi Parish

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## Parish Bulletin Second Sunday of Lent March 17th 2019

<b>PARISH PRIEST</b>	Fr Anthony Girolami	<b>ASSISTANT PRIEST</b>	Fr Cruz
<b>DEACON</b>	Rev Andrew Choi - 9407 6711	<b>PASTORAL ASSOCIATE</b>	Sr Ignacia Coching - 9407 6707
<b>YOUTH MINISTER</b>	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6705	<b>PARISH ADMINISTRATION</b>	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700
<b>SCHOOL PRINCIPAL</b>	Mark Basile - 9407 3100	<b>PARISH BOOKKEEPER</b>	Rachel Massouh - 9407 6701

<b>WEEKEND MASS TIMES</b>	Saturday vigil: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm	<b>LENTEN PROGRAM</b> Stations of the Cross each Friday straight after the 9:15 am Mass and at 7 pm followed directly by Mass.
<b>WEEKDAY MASS TIMES</b>	Monday – Saturday 9:15 am. Rosary recited after Mass. Wednesday 7:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday evening after Mass and Novena Saturday 9:45 am	
<b>RECONCILIATION</b>	Wednesday evening after Mass and Novena Saturday 9:45 am	
<b>ADORATION</b>	Saturday 9:45 am – 11:00 am concluding with Benediction Wednesday 7:30 am – 7:30 pm	

<b>VIGIL MASS:</b>	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to midnight.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 5th April
<b>FILIPINO MASS:</b>	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 14th April
<b>ITALIAN MASS:</b>	2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 9th April
<b>MALTESE MASS:</b>	3rd Sat of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 20th April
<b>DIVINE MERCY NOVENA:</b>	Every Friday after 9:15am Mass and 2:45 pm in the chapel.	<b>Next Novena:</b> 22nd March
<b>YOUNG ADULTS MERCY NIGHT:</b>	Last Friday of the month 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.	<b>Next Night:</b> 29th March
<b>ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:</b>	1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 19th March
<b>INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:</b>	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 20th April
<b>JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:</b>	3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:45 pm in the Chapel.	<b>Next Night:</b> 19th March
<b>MEN'S NIGHT:</b>	First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475.	<b>Next Night:</b> 3rd April
<b>MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:</b>	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 13th April
<b>NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):</b>	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.	
<b>AGAPE MALAYLEE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:</b>	Every Saturday 6 pm - 8:30 pm in the Chapel.	
<b>CHILDREN'S ROSARY:</b>	First Saturday of the month after 9:15 am Mass in the Chapel.	
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>	Sundays 10:30 am Mass during school terms. Contact - mpchildrenlit@gmail.com	
<b>LEGION OF MARY:</b>	Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the parish nook. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
<b>JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:</b>	Every Thursday during school terms at 3:45 pm in the Church. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
<b>WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:</b>	Fridays in the Chapel at 7:30 pm. Contact Nancy 0434 559 352.	
<b>PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:</b>	Contact Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.	
<b>LIFE TEEN:</b>	Sundays after 5 pm Mass, meet in Church foyer. Contact Carmel - millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au	
<b>PLAYGROUP:</b>	Every Thursday during school terms in small hall. Contact Katherine - 0402 858 724.	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**  
*Recently Deceased:* Valentino De Fazio.  
*Death Anniversaries:* Marcelo Cuevas, Doumit Abouchedid, Molly Brown.  
*Those who are ill:* Zack Mifsud, Fr Joe Yu, David Wallace, Anthony Lethbridge, Sam Pisani, Maria Concepcion Alcedo, Danuata Plaskota, Antonia Zaccaria, Pat Gioffre, Rebecca Scaringi, Marina Manabat.

<b>Reading Roster</b>	<b>16/17 March - Week 3</b>	<b>23/24 March - Week 4</b>
Sat. 5:00 pm:	Teresa Wong & Anne Young	Shammi Jayasuriya & Sarah Wallace
Sun. 9.00 am:	John Andrews & Febra William	Angela Royston & Carlo Stocco
Sun. 10.30 am:	Joe Galati & Marie Sikand	Oscar Altavilla & Vangie Gregorio
<b>Counting Roster:</b>	<b>17 March - Team 3</b>	<b>24 March - Team 4</b>
	M & S Ovens	A Lee, A Glatzel, J Perera
<b>Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:</b>	<b>18 - 24 March</b>	<b>25 - 31 March</b>
	Jenny Galati	Tina Da Costa

**Next Week's Readings:** Ex 3:1-8, 13-15. Ps 102:1-4, 6-8, 11. R. v. 8. 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12. Lk 13:1-9.

**WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:** 22nd March - Importance of Worship.  
**ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE:** The next Altar Servers practice will be held on March 23rd at 2 pm in the Church.  
**PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION:** The Cells All Leaders Meeting will be on this Tuesday 19th March at 7:30 pm in the Community Room. This will be a Cells Training Session.  
**FAMILY FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING:** There will be a meeting of the Family Fair Committee this Wednesday 20th March at 7 pm in the school staffroom.



### HOLY HOUR IN THE CHAPEL

There will be Holy Hour every Saturday night during Lent from 6 to 7 pm as a spiritual support for Exodus 90. All welcome even if you are not undertaking Exodus 90.

### THE LORD'S HANDS

Presented by the Catholic School of Evangelisation. A practical course in identifying the motivational gifts of the participants and discovering how best these may be exercised in building up the Body of Christ.

Saturday 30 March 9 am – 5 pm in the Small Hall  
Please Register by 25th March:  
Trish 0438 010 018 or Rose 0411 650 339

### LENTEN CONCERT - 'ASHES TO EASTER' with Peter Kearney

Sunday 31st March, 2.00pm, St Francis of Assisi Parish Hall.  
Suggested donation \$10 payable to Sr Ignacia or the parish office by Tuesday 26th March. Peter Kearney is an Australian Catholic songwriter, singer and guitarist whose hymns and songs include 'Fill My House', 'The Beatitudes' and 'Where Is Your Song, my Lord?'. His concert weaves songs and stories and reflections on Lenten themes and looks ahead to Holy Week and Easter.  
"Ashes to Easter creates a prayerful and spiritual atmosphere ... a worthwhile part of the Lenten journey".  
Call Sr Ignacia on 0413 345 019 for any enquiries.

### Catechist Sacrament Dates

Reconciliation: Tuesday 17th September 4:00 pm  
First Communion: Sunday 20th October 2:00 pm  
Confirmation: Saturday 16th November 11:30 am



### PRAYER COMPANIONS

Prayer Support in the Chapel after Sunday 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses will start this Sunday, 17th March. If you have a special intention come to the Chapel after Mass and someone will say a prayer with you. Your confidentiality will be respected.

### Alpha is Coming!

The next Alpha Course will run in Term 2, 2019, starting 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Explore questions of life and faith and make new friendships at Alpha! Alpha is an exciting refresher Course in the Christian faith. The Alpha Course in 2019 will start on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, and run for ten Thursdays, to be held in St Francis Hall. Alpha will start at 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm.  
Enquiries: 9407 6700.

### THE LENTEN PILGRIM

We are offered this gracious time, when we can reflect on what has formed us since we trod last year's Lenten path. And we are offered beautiful and ancient tools to help us enter into this time. These Lenten practices cultivate an environment in which we are able to think more deeply about God and about how we are responding to God's call in our daily lives. Visit the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation Melbourne at [www.cam.org.au/evangelisation](http://www.cam.org.au/evangelisation) to download a range of free and easy-to-use resources for the Season of Lent including a poster of Daily Lenten reflections, booklets, checklist for the Triduum, Liturgy outline for Ash Wednesday and seasonal articles on [The Summit Online](http://The Summit Online).

### SUMMER SERIES: LIFE AND LOVE

Tuesdays 19 and 26 March, 2 April, 6-8pm

In partnership with the LMF Office; a 6-week discussion series on life, love, sexuality and what it means to be a person created in love and for love. This series, based on St John Paul II's teaching on human dignity, will help reveal to young adults who they really are, their value as a person and their individual call to love. For 18-35 year olds. Cost is \$10 per night.

Enquiries: [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or 9287 5587 Register: [www.trybooking.com/ZKMS](http://www.trybooking.com/ZKMS)



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Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia. She is a mother of three who was earning an income working in a local rubber plantation. Since taking part in eco-tourism training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR 2020 PREPS

Enrolments for 2020 are now being taken. Enrolment packs can be collected from the School Office or downloaded from the school website [www.sfmillpark.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sfmillpark.catholic.edu.au)

**Open Days**  
Saturday 23 March 9.30 am - 12 pm  
Saturday 4 May 9.30 am - 12 pm

**Information & Enrolment Evening**  
Tuesday 2 April 7:00 pm

To book a school tour call 9407 3100. Bookings are essential. Applications close May 24th 2019. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the School on 9407 3100 or email the Principal, Mr Mark Basile at [principal@sfmillpark.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@sfmillpark.catholic.edu.au)



### INVITO ALLA COMUNITA DI SAN FRANCESCO D'ASSISI

Teresa Blasioli organizza un viaggio in pulman. To Wonthaggi Domenica 24 Marzo Per in informazione e prenotare contattate Teresa 94367993 o 0401 789 744.  
Parishioners are invited to a trip to Wonthaggi organised by Teresa Blasioli on Sunday 24th March.  
For more information contact Teresa on 94367993



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS / PASSION PLAY

Stations of the Cross with a live Passion Play will take place on Good Friday at 9.30 am outside the Small Hall. More people are needed to take part in the Passion Play.  
Contact the Parish Office: 9407 6700.

The Wellness Activity Group are looking for donations of balls of wool or yarn. If you have any to donate please drop it off in the box at the parish office. Thank you.



### RCIA

Next week at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday we will be having the Rite of Scrutinies for those who are participating in the RCIA programme who are intending to be received into the Church this Easter.

### LENT PODCAST SERIES: "THE LENTEN PILGRIM" WEEK 2—THE TRANSFIGURATION

In this second episode of The Lenten Pilgrim podcast series, we hear from Tricia Murray who reflects on the significant moment of the Transfiguration. Tricia says, 'Icons have often been referred to as "theology in colour". We see Jesus in this icon of the Transfiguration, we see him in his full glory, radiant in white. Jesus has taken his three disciples to experience his divine nature. The idea of going up the mountain to this high point and then coming back down the mountain is very significant because these are the three disciples who experience his suffering and his agony. And these same disciples who were thrown upside down by his glory were thrown upside down by his pain. There are the high points and the low points in all of our lives. That's the paschal mystery.' Tricia works in the area of Faith Development and administration at the Catholic Parish of Brunswick and Brunswick East. For other resources to use during the Season of Lent, please visit the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation Melbourne website [www.cam.org.au/evangelisation](http://www.cam.org.au/evangelisation).