



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT 25TH FEBRUARY 2024

PARISH PRIEST	Fr Anthony Girolami	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Zaher Almhanna
DEACON	Deacon Jean Sebastien	PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Anh Tran - 9407 6720
YOUTH MINISTER	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6704	PARISH/SCHOOL LIAISON	Ruth Lees - 9407 6703
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700	PARISH BOOKKEEPER	Paul - 9407 6722
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 Wednesday 7:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help
RECONCILIATION	Wednesday evening after Mass and Novena Saturday 9:45 am
ADORATION	Saturday 9:45 am – 10:45 am concluding with Benediction

VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to Midnight Mass.	Next Mass:	1st March
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass:	10th March
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass:	16th March
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7pm.	Next Mass:	16th March
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:	Wednesday 6:30 am - 7:00 pm in the chapel.		
NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH:	1st Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am Mass.		
ANOINTING OF THE SICK:	2nd Wednesday of the month after 9:15am Mass.		
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	Every Tuesday at 7:00pm.		
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):	Every Tuesday at 6:30pm.		
LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the church fellowship area. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.		
JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:	Every Wednesday at 3:30 pm during school terms in the fellowship area. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.		
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:	Every Friday at 7:00 pm in the chapel. Contact Nancy - 0434 559 352.		
PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:	Contact Regina - 0432 267 557 or Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.		
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:	Every Friday at 3:00 pm in the chapel and after Tuesday morning 9:15am Mass.		
AGAPE RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING:	Resuming Sunday 4th February. Contact Gigimon - 0402 652 646.		
LIFE TEEN:	Every Sunday during school terms after 5pm Mass. Contact Carmel at millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au for further details.		
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:	Every Thursday at 7 pm in the chapel. Contact Lovely - 0411 208 706.		
CATECHIST R.E. CLASSES:	For all enquiries contact May Park at sfranciscatechist@gmail.com.		

PARISH NEWS

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

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES - Please remember to write the amount on the front of your thanksgiving envelopes.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michael Saliba, Whitby Dubier, Andre Cadou, Marion Walshe.

IN MEMORIAM: Juliana Agawin, Eric & Marina Vaz, Conrad Myers.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Lez Meyers, David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Maeve Reardon, Greg Forrester, Anupiya Menikdiwela, Henrica Hanny, Peter Basile, Antonina Gangi, Gerard Mercovich, Sufi Lin.

(From time to time we will modify the sick list. If you prefer a person to remain on the list please contact the parish office.)

The newsletter will be available each week on our website www.cam.org.au/millpark

Dear Parishioners,

Over the next few weeks presentations will be given explaining the financial situation of our parish, particularly as we are recovering from the effects of the covid epidemic. These reports are designed to help all parishioners to understand where we stand financially at this time and how we can better establish ourselves in the future. I hope you will find the programme to be educative and illuminating.

Yours in Christ,
Fr Anthony Girolami.

Second Sunday of Lent 24 & 25 February



After the birth of her children, 22-year-old **Ronita** was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas Australia's partners in the Philippines, she resumed her studies and secured a job at a call centre to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR 2025

Enrolments for 2025 are now being taken. You are invited to view our facilities and meet our staff and students. Applications close Friday 10th May 2024.

2024 OPEN DAYS

Saturday 2nd March 9:00 am - 11:30 am
Saturday 23rd March 9:00 am - 11:30 am

2024 SCHOOL TOURS

Tours are conducted every Tuesday at 9:30 am throughout terms 1 & 2 - bookings essential. Please call the office to arrange a suitable time.

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On Fridays during Lent Stations of the Cross will follow the morning Mass and also be held at 7 pm followed by Mass.



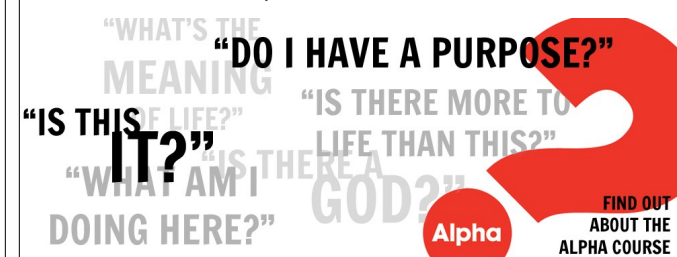
ALPHA IS COMING!

The next Alpha Course will run in Term 2, 2024, starting 11th April.

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 2024 will start on Thursday, 11th April, 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.



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

Friday 1st March 7:00pm
St. Luke's Church: 1A David Street, LALOR
Enquiries: 9465 2180

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 'Ashes to Easter' concert weaves songs and stories and reflections on Lenten themes and looks ahead to Holy Week and Easter. Mainly for adults though upper-primary and older students could also enjoy. Donations welcome.

Invite your friends; walk-ins welcome
or book your free tickets online at www.trybooking.com/COXOR

QUESTION EVERYTHING

A Life Night Series on Objections to the Church

What are some Objections to embracing the Catholic Faith

- 1) The Existence of God
- 2) Organised Religion
- 3) Hypocrisy, Judgement and Tolerance
- 4) Suffering

Question Everything is a series that encourages questions and thoughtfully explores four significant obstacles to fully embracing our Catholic faith. It addresses the process of questioning as a springboard to grow in our knowledge of God's love and trust in the Catholic Church, which He established.

Time: 4 Session Series: Sunday 6pm - 7:45pm weekly
Age: 12-19 years. **Contact:** Carmel Walsh 0432 302 672



LIFE TEEN