



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 13TH NOVEMBER 2022

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| PARISH PRIEST | Fr Anthony Girolami | ASSISTANT PRIEST | Fr Zaher Almhna |
| PASTORAL ASSOCIATE | Sr Anh Tran - 9407 6720 | YOUTH MINISTER | Carmel Walsh - 9407 6704 |
| OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR | Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700 | PARISH BOOKKEEPER | Paul - 9407 6722 |
| SCHOOL PRINCIPAL | Mark Basile - 9407 3100 | | |

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| 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 – 10:30 am concluding with Benediction |

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| VIGIL MASS: | 1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to Midnight Mass. | Next Mass: 2nd December |
| FILIPINO MASS: | 2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon. | Next Mass: 13th November |
| MALTESE MASS: | 3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40. | Next Mass: 19th November |
| ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS: | 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm. | Next Mass: 15th November |
| INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS: | 3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. | Next Mass: 19th November |
| EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: | Wednesday 7:30 am - 7:30 pm | |
| NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH: | 1st Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am Mass. | |
| ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: | 2nd Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am 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. 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 Friday morning 9:15 am Mass. | |
| AGAPEE RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING: | Every Sunday at 6:30 pm in the chapel. 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.au | |

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- Please do not attend Mass if you are unwell in any way or with any symptoms of illness (covid or otherwise).
- Please sanitise your hands prior to receiving Holy Communion.
- Masks are no longer mandatory but are strongly recommended in large group gatherings.
- Please consume the host as soon as it is placed in your hands. Please do not walk back to your seat before consuming the host.

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.

HOLY SOULS - Holy Souls envelopes are available in the Church.

PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION - The Cells Executive Meeting will be on this Tuesday 15th November at 7:30 pm in the Community Room.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Jason Cassar.

IN MEMORIAM: Angela Di Domenica, Maria Curcio, Anna Altavilla, Roxie Fernandez, Bernadette Lowry, Nicholas Assily, Domenic Schiavello, Teresa Roe, Frances Wallace.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Zahra McMahon, Herve Incoul, Francis Mendoza.

(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 in the Presbytery foyer and on our website www.cam.org.au/millpark

Dear Parishioners, Just a short note to say I am taking a break for the next two weeks. Fr Zaher will take over the reins. God bless to all, Fr Anthony Girolami.

PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION

Cells Christmas Break Up

Everyone is invited to our **Cells Christmas Party** to be held in **St Francis Hall** on **Tuesday 6th December, starting at 7:00 pm**, with shared Dinner & Christmas Carols. Enquiries: 9407 6700 (leave a message).

RED WEDNESDAY PRAYER VIGIL

*St Patrick's Cathedral
1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne
Wednesday 23 November at 7.30pm
The vigil will be presided over by Msgr Joselito Asis,
Episcopal Vicar for Migrants and Refugees.*

The international Red Wednesday campaign—initiated by the Pontifical foundation Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) to call attention to religious freedom and persecuted Christians—will take place this year on Wednesday 23 November and will include a prayer vigil at St Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne.

All are welcome to this evening as we pray and stand in solidarity for Christians around the world being persecuted for their faith in Jesus Christ. Joining many other cathedrals and churches around the world, St Patrick's will be floodlit in red on this night.

Visit redwednesday.org to learn more.

A Charismatic Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 17th November at St Thomas the Apostle Church, 251 Diamond Ck Rd, Nth Greensborough. The evening will commence at 7.30pm with Praise & Worship, followed by Mass and supper. All welcome. For further details, please contact Rose 0411 650 339 or Emilia 0418 120 902.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FLOOD APPEAL

Devastating floods have affected communities across the state in recent weeks. To respond to the needs of affected communities, St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria (Vinnies Victoria) has launched a Flood Appeal. Local Vinnies volunteers will play a critical role in continuing to lift people out of crisis for weeks, months and perhaps years ahead—and your support will enable that vital work.

Contributions can be made by: 1. Calling 13 18 12. 2. Visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>. 3. Making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase 4. Via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods

MANAGEMENT OF COVID-19 - CHANGES

COVID-19 isolation requirements have changed

The Victorian Government has announced the end of the Pandemic Declaration and associated Pandemic Orders.

It is strongly recommended that parishioners:

- who test positive to COVID-19 stay home and isolate for 5 days
- should not attend Mass after 5 days if still symptomatic
- who are symptomatic but have not tested positive should not attend Mass, this includes any symptoms of illness

Reporting positive COVID-19 test results

The Department of Health recommends that a person who tests positive for COVID-19 should inform those with whom they have recently been in contact, including their workplace, schools and household.

Face masks

Parishioners who wish to wear a face mask are supported to do so. The Department of Health recommends that masks should be worn by a person who is a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 when leaving home.

Additionally, the Department of Health recommends that masks should be worn by a person who has COVID-19, for at least 7 days after a positive test, when they need to leave home.

The ordination Mass to the priesthood of transitional deacons Huy Nguyen, Vinh Do and An Le, and the ordination Mass to transitional diaconate of Thomas Christie, Tien Tran and Peter (Ngoc) Nguyen at St Patrick's Cathedral will take place on Saturday, November 19, 2022 10:00am – 11:30am at St Patrick's Cathedral.

The Mass will be broadcasted live on our YouTube channel: <http://www.youtube.com/archmelb>

Roll up your sleeves; make a difference overseas.

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more. Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home. Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.