



# St Francis of Assisi Parish

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## Parish Bulletin Third Sunday of Lent March 24th 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	
<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> 29th 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> 2nd April
<b>INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:</b>	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. (NO MASS IN APRIL)	<b>Next Mass:</b> 18th May
<b>JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:</b>	3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:45 pm in the Chapel.	<b>Next Night:</b> 16th April
<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:* Constanza Bocchi, Evi Rady, Denver Thomas, Lea Marchetto.  
*Death Anniversaries:* Gregory Arnold Salisbury, Olga Cella, Menino Dias, Felisa Gomez, Baltazar Gelvezon.  
*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>23/24 March - Week 4</b>	<b>30/31 March - Week 5</b>
Sat. 5:00 pm:	Shammi Jayasuriya & Sarah Wallace	Gaby Callegari & Michelle Vanvelzon
Sun. 9.00 am:	Angela Royston & Carlo Stocco	Febra William & Daniel Ramsey
Sun. 10.30 am:	Oscar Altavilla & Vangie Gregorio	Judith Wright & Julie Kerr
<b>Counting Roster:</b>	<b>24 March - Team 4</b>	<b>31 March - Team 5</b>
	A Lee, A Glatzel, J Perera	R Nightingale, A Zerna, J Goh, K Saviane
<b>Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:</b>	<b>25 - 31 March</b>	<b>01 - 07 April</b>
	Tina Da Costa	Carmen L.

**Next Week's Readings:** Josh 5:9-12. Ps 33:2-7. R. v. 9. 2 Cor 5:17-21. Lk 15:1-3, 11-32.

**WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:** 29th March - Lent: Wake Up Call.  
**ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE:** The next Altar Servers practice will be held on 6th April at 2 pm in the Church.  
**FAMILY FAIR RESULTS:** The net profit from the 2019 Family Fair was \$17,692. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the day.



### 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 30th 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

Our Parish is offering prayers for people after 9 am & 10.30 am Masses. If you have a special intention come to the Chapel after Mass today 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*.

### 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)



Third Sunday of Lent  
24<sup>th</sup> March 2019



Peter is thrilled to now have clean water on tap at his boarding school. Long walks to unsafe water sources were tiring for Peter, who is living with a disability. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with brighter future

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help young people with disabilities gain access to clean water in the Solomon Islands, providing hope for a brighter future.**

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)

**Final Open Day**  
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)

### 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

This week at the 10:30 am 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.  
Please keep them in your prayers.

### LENT W3: THE WOMAN AT THE WELL

In this third episode of The Lenten Pilgrim podcast series, Fr Elio Capra SDB discusses the gospel of John (4:5-42), where Jesus encounters the Samaritan woman at the well. As part of his reflection, Fr Elio refers to a sculpture located at Chester Cathedral (UK), reflecting on why such a modern piece of art has been placed outside the seemingly old cathedral (UK).

He says, 'The woman is talking about water. H2O. Jesus is talking about something much deeper than that: "a living water that will well up to eternal life." The word "eternal", we think, is of an afterlife but it also means the "fullness of life". This water gives us a fullness of life now. ... There is also an intense gaze into each other. Her gaze is a gaze of longing. It's the gaze of a person who wants to love and to be loved. This is the longing in the heart of every human being that has ever lived: to love and to be loved. And so Jesus looks up at her. He is the one that can provide the living water that can fill our hearts with this love. ... The more we empty ourselves, the more Christ will be able to fill our hearts.'

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).