



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 19TH MARCH 2023

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		

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

VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to Midnight Mass.	Next Mass:	5th May
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass:	9th April
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass:	15th April
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass:	21st March
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass:	15th April
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.		
ANOINTING 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 Tuesday 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		
LENTEN DEVOTIONS:	Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent after 9:15 am Mass and at 7pm before Mass.		

IMPORTANT REMINDER
Please do not attend Mass if you are unwell in any way or with any symptoms of illness (covid or otherwise).
HAND SANITISATION
As our stores of hand sanitiser have become depleted we will phase out the hand sanitisation stations within the Church. Hand sanitisation stations will remain in the foyer.

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.
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA - The Friday morning Divine Mercy Novena will be recited on Tuesdays after 9.15 mass during Lent only. The normal 3 pm Friday Novena in the chapel will continue.
WOOL DONATIONS - The Wellness Activity Group is looking for donations of baby wool. If you are able to help please bring donations to the parish office. Thank you.
PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION - There is NO Cells All Leaders Meeting this Tuesday, 21st March.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Jean O'Sullivan, Jenny Bosen, Sr Estelita Manabo SJB (Pastorelle), John Forrester.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Lez Meyers, David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Zahra McMahon, Herve Incoul, Francis Mendoza, Hazel Neilson, Joan Oram, Maeve Reardon, Asha Naryan.

(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

ARCHBISHOP'S PARISH VISITATION

Archbishop Peter Comensoli will be visiting our parish on Friday 24th March to Sunday 26th March. He will be meeting with the school staff and as many parish groups and parishioners as possible. He will be the principal celebrant at all Masses that weekend. Following the Saturday evening Mass we will have a meal in the school courtyard (as we do for the parish feast day). Entertainment will be provided by our parish choirs. Everybody is welcome.

PARISH FORUM - SATURDAY 25TH MARCH 11:15 AM

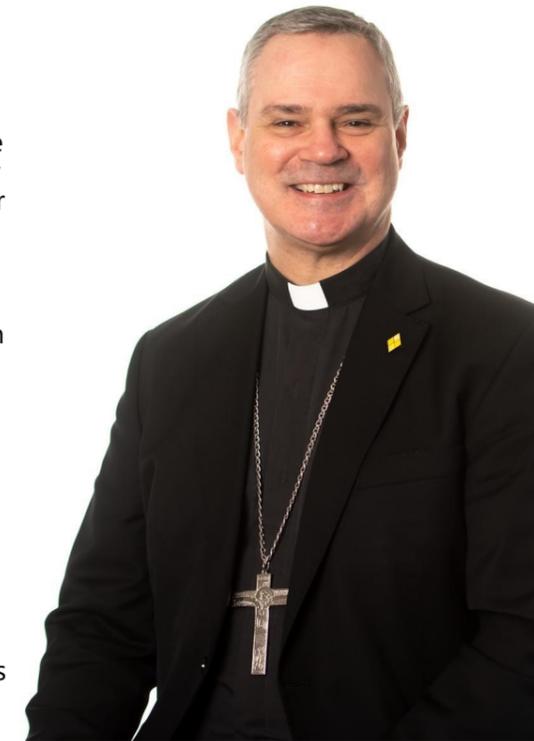
The Archbishop invites all parishioners to attend an open meeting with him about priorities, goals and challenges.

Questions to consider:

- Tell me when you find Jesus in the life of your parish (what does evangelisation mean to you?)
- Where would you like to see the parish in 5 - 10 years and how are we going to get there? (what does mission mean to you?)

DONATIONS OF CAKES

Can you help by making cakes for the celebration evening meal with the Archbishop on Saturday, 25th March?
Please fill in your name on the list after Mass with the number of serves of cake you will provide. Thank you.



ALPHA IS COMING!

The next Alpha Course will run in Term 2, 2023, starting 20th 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 2023 will start on Thursday, 20th 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. Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/1033171>

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 starting near the Small Hall. More people are needed to take part in the Passion Play. Contact the Parish Office: 9407 6700.



FIAT - A WEEKEND OF PRAYER

Our local communities of grace across the Archdiocese of Melbourne will unite for a weekend of prayer from Friday 24 March to Sunday 26 March 2023. Archbishop Peter A Comensoli has said that this weekend, which coincides with the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord on Saturday 25 March, 'promises to be a moment of grace for the local Church, as together we meditate on Mary's fiat, her total "yes".' Parishes, communities and movements throughout our Archdiocese have been busily planning their own hour of prayer.

Our hour of prayer will be from 9:45 am to 10:45 am on Saturday 25th March. Everyone is welcome.

Palms for Palm Sunday

If anyone is able to donate palm branches for Palm Sunday would you please contact the parish office on 9407 6700. We can arrange a pick up. Many thanks.



A Charismatic Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 16th March 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 Emilia 0418 120 902 or Rose 0411 650 339.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR 2024

Enrolments for 2024 are now being taken. You are invited to view our facilities and meet our staff and students. Applications close Friday 12th May 2023.

2023 OPEN DAYS

Saturday 1st April 9:00 am - 11:30 am

2023 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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CATECHIST CLASSES 2023

Catechist classes will begin on Tuesday 11th July at 4:15 pm - 5 pm. Enrolments are now open. Enrolment and payment forms are available on our website (under application forms tab) or from the parish office. These forms can be emailed back to stfranciscatechist@gmail.com.au Alternatively, you can phone the parish office on 9407 6700.

The following classes are offered:

Pre-Sacramental -	Children in Years Prep, One or Two
First Reconciliation -	Minimum Year Three level
First Eucharist -	Students who have already received First Reconciliation
Confirmation -	Minimum Year Six level who have already received First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

This year, classes will run during term three on Tuesdays from 4:15-5:00pm. We look forward to sharing this faith journey with you and your children this year. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact May Park at stfranciscatechist@gmail.com.au