



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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Parish Bulletin Fifth Sunday of Lent 7th April 2019

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

WEEKEND MASS TIMES	Saturday vigil: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm	LENTEN PROGRAM Stations of the Cross each Friday straight after the 9:15 am Mass and at 7 pm followed directly by Mass.
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES	Monday – Saturday 9:15 am. Rosary recited after Mass. 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 – 11:00 am concluding with Benediction Wednesday 7:30 am – 7:30 pm	

VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to midnight.	Next Mass: 3rd May
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass: 14th April
ITALIAN MASS:	2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am.	Next Mass: 9th April
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Sat of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass: 20th April
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA:	Every Friday after 9:15am Mass and 2:45 pm in the chapel.	Next Novena: 12th April
YOUNG ADULTS MERCY NIGHT:	Last Friday of the month 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.	Next Night: 26th April
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass: 16th April
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. (NO MASS IN APRIL)	Next Mass: 18th May
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:	3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:45 pm in the Chapel.	Next Night: 16th April
MEN'S NIGHT:	First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475.	Next Night: 1st May
MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. (NO MASS IN APRIL)	Next Mass: 11th May
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.	
AGAPE MALAYLEE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:	Every Saturday 6 pm - 8:30 pm in the Chapel.	
CHILDREN'S ROSARY:	First Saturday of the month after 9:15 am Mass in the Chapel.	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:	Sundays 10:30 am Mass during school terms. Contact - mpchildrensit@gmail.com	
LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the parish nook. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday during school terms at 3:45 pm in the Church. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:	Fridays in the Chapel at 7:30 pm. Contact Nancy 0434 559 352.	
PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:	Contact Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.	
LIFE TEEN:	Sundays after 5 pm Mass, meet in Church foyer. Contact Carmel - millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au	
PLAYGROUP:	Every Thursday during school terms in small hall. Contact Katherine - 0402 858 724.	

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Recently Deceased: Lovelyn Whittaker, Xaverio Croce, Rosalia Siragusa.
Death Anniversaries: Ascencao Soares, Jerome L. Mercy Fernando, Carmeleena Zara.
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.

Reading Roster	6/7 April - Week 1	13/14 April - Week 2
Sat. 5:00 pm:	Gaby Callegari & Michelle Vanvelzon	Sanja Ovens & Cliff DaCosta
Sun. 9.00 am:	Savio Fernandes & Anagi Perera	Carmen Saliba & Sue Spiteri
Sun. 10.30 am:	Candida D'Souza & Helen Javier	Regina Di Pasquale & Marcelle Henderson
Counting Roster:	7 April - Team 6	14 April - Team 7
	M & C Saliba, M Cellini	C Ponchard, B D'Avoine, T Kowal
Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:	8 - 14 April	15 - 21 April
	Nena Smith	Mary Hoo

Next Week's Readings: Isa 50:4-7. Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24. R. v. 2. Phil 2:6-11. Lk 23:1-49.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection this weekend (first weekend of the month) for the parish loan repayments.
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP: 12th April - Carrying Your Cross.
ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE: The next Altar Servers practice will be held on 4th May at 2 pm in the Church.
PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION: The Cells Executive Meeting will be on this Tuesday 9th April at 7.30 pm in the Community Room.



Morning Mass on Tuesday 16th April will be at 8:00 am (not 9:15 am).

Dear parishioners, many thanks to all of you for your prayers, best wishes, cards and gifts given to me for my 60th birthday. Furthermore many thanks to all who made the celebration in the hall possible and provided the wonderful banquet and birthday cakes! It was a wonderful night enjoyed by all and most of all by me, I am deeply appreciative of your kindness. God bless you all, Fr Anthony Girolami.

ST JOSEPH'S NOVENA

The St Joseph's Novena will be held monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month after 9:15am Mass, starting 8th May.

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.

READERS AND SPECIAL MINISTERS FOR EASTER CEREMONIES

Readers and Special Ministers are needed for the Easter Ceremonies. Please fill in your name on the roster in the Church foyer if you are able to help.

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.



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.

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 2nd 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, 2nd May, and run for ten Thursdays, to be held in St Francis Hall. Alpha will start at 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm.

Thank you to Theresa Blasioli for organising the wonderful bus trip and raising a generous contribution to the parish.

PALM SUNDAY TIMETABLE

Sat 13/04 5 pm. Sun 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5 pm.
Blessing of palms starts 5 minutes before Mass.

Please gather in the school courtyard (weather permitting).

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE CARDS AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH FOYER.



Fifth Sunday of Lent
7th April 2019



Salma featured in Project Compassion 2013. At the time she was pregnant with her first child, sick and terribly frightened. In distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program. Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help reduce infant mortality rates in countries like Bangladesh and proved hope to pregnant women in remote communities for happy and healthy families.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting 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

Final Open Day
Saturday 4 May 9.30 am - 12 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



PARISH PILGRIMAGE
ST MARY MACKILLOP SYDNEY 27th and 28th July 2019
Please contact Elio & Chiara for booking or any queries on 0449 193 511 or 0439 612 694.

FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA

The Nine weeks of Mass and Novena to St Anthony of Padua will begin on the 23rd of April. Mass will be offered every Tuesday until 18th of June. On Friday 7th June the Rosary will be recited in Malayalam at 6:30pm, followed by Mass in English at 7:00 pm. Prayers and veneration of the Relic of St Anthony, brought from Padua, will take place after Mass. **The Feast of St Anthony will be celebrated on the Friday 21st of June** beginning at 6:00 pm with Rosary in Malayalam, St Anthony's Novena and Mass in English at 7:00 pm. Following Mass there will be a candle lit procession and blessing of the statue of St Anthony, followed by dinner at St Francis of Assisi hall. All are welcome.



Aviso: Il Santo Rosario in italiano sarà recitato martedì 9 aprile prossimo alle ore 11.00 am in questa chiesa; seguirà la Santa messa alle ore 11.30. Dopo la celebrazione ci sarà uno spuntino, nell'atrio della chiesa, con cibo da condividere sarà disponibile caffè e tè.

We cannot ignore the fact that there is as much slavery in the world today, as there was before, or perhaps more – said Pope Francis last month.

Can't find slavery-free Easter eggs in your supermarket? Ten years ago there was almost no slavery-free chocolate in our supermarkets in Australia. Now, because of public pressure and consumer demands, most supermarkets will sell some. Thank you for contributing to the demand for slavery-free chocolate, but we have a long way to go.

Good news: There is now slavery-free chocolate available in so many places. It tastes delicious and is no more expensive than other chocolate. Try ALDI, Haighs, OXFAM and leading supermarkets. The Catholic Archdiocese Melbourne is also converting to slavery-free tea and coffee. Get on board!

Action: When you go to your local supermarket, look for chocolate that has one of these three symbols. If you can't find any, ask the manager if they stock any.

<https://acrath.org.au/take-action/slavery-free-easter/> for information and resources.

