



# St Francis of Assisi Parish

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## PARISH BULLETIN SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12TH FEBRUARY 2023

<b>PARISH PRIEST</b>	Fr Anthony Girolami	<b>ASSISTANT PRIEST</b>	Fr Zaher Almhna
<b>PASTORAL ASSOCIATE</b>	Sr Anh Tran - 9407 6720	<b>YOUTH MINISTER</b>	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6704
<b>OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR</b>	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700	<b>PARISH BOOKKEEPER</b>	Paul - 9407 6722
<b>SCHOOL PRINCIPAL</b>	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.  
**FILIPINO MASS:** 2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon. **Next Mass:** 3rd March  
**MALTESE MASS:** 3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40. **Next Mass:** 12th February  
**ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm. **Next Mass:** 18th February  
**INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:** 3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. **Next Mass:** 14th February  
**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Wednesday 7:30 am - 7:30 pm. **Next Mass:** 18th February  
**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 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.  
**PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION** - The Cells Executive Meeting will be on this Tuesday, 14th February, at 7.30 pm in the Community Room.  
**WOOL DONATIONS** - The Wellness Activity Group is looking for donations of baby wool. If you are able to help please bring donatiosn to the parish office. Thank you.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**IN MEMORIAM:** Percy & Muriel Lobo, Ronald & Blanche Considine.

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

(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](http://www.cam.org.au/millpark)

### FAREWELL FR VARGHESE

Fr Varghese who was an assistant priest at our parish in 2014 and 2015, and was then appointed Administrator and later Parish Priest of Elsternwick and South Caulfield parishes, will be returning to India this week. We thank him for his 10 years of faithful priestly ministry in the Archdiocese. In our parish Fr Varghese was instrumental in the development of the St Anthony's Prayer Group, the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday and the dramatization of the Stations of the Cross each Good Friday. His legacy continues. Please keep him in your prayers as he returns to his homeland.

### PASTORAL CARE APPEAL 2023

This weekend is the Pastoral Care Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community. Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic Chaplains can continue to be the messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing, illness, pain, loneliness, grief and death. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513.



**CELLS LAUNCH 2023**

**Sunday 26th February 12:00 pm**

All Cell groups, families, and friends are invited to get together for this New Year of Cells in St Francis Hall

INSPIRATIONAL TALK & DISCUSSION  
 BYO LUNCH & SOCIAL TIME  
 BRING YOUR FRIENDS

*If you are interested in finding out about Cell Groups - Come & see!*

Enquiries: 9407 6700

Felix Grech, a long time parishioner of St Francis who moved to Queensland a few years ago, died in December last year. His family will have a Requiem Mass offered for the repose of his soul at St Francis on Friday 17th February at 7 pm. They wish to invite all who knew Felix to the Mass.

*A Charismatic Mass with Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated on Thursday 16th February 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 SOCIETY - MILL PARK CONFERENCE QUARTERLY REPORT

Donated food \$8555 is estimated value of donated gifts/toys from St Francis of Assisi parishioners and King of Hearts Tattoo Studio, Mill Park. As a result, we were able to provide 59 families with Christmas gifts/toys with a total of 158 children all receiving multiple gifts. One child received a full size donated bicycle. Both the child and parents were overjoyed.

NO. OF CASES WHERE MATERIAL AID GIVEN			
Home Visits	143	Other Locations	31
NUMBERS ASSISTED			
Adults	310	Children	315
VALUE OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN			
Accommodation	\$1647	Food Vouchers	\$20675
Transport	\$90	Whitegoods	\$1488
Education	\$1050	Other	\$425
Donated Food	\$8555	Medicine	\$169
Vinnies Cards	\$4725		



**22nd February Mass Times**  
 7:30 am - parish  
 9:15 am - parish  
 10:15 - school  
 12:15 - school  
 7:30 pm - parish

### 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 [sfranciscatechist@gmail.com.au](mailto:sfranciscatechist@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 [sfranciscatechist@gmail.com.au](mailto:sfranciscatechist@gmail.com.au)