



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD 21ST MAY 2023

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

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:** 2nd June

FILIPINO MASS: 2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon. **Next Mass:** 11th June

MALTESE MASS: 3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40. **Next Mass:** 17th June

ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS: 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm. **Next Mass:** 23rd May

INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS: 3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. **Next Mass:** 17th June

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 stfranciscatechist@gmail.com.au

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
If you wish to sanitise your hands before receiving communion please provide your own hand sanitiser.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Gerry Meyers, Doris Vella, Jean Reidy, Trevor Simcock.

IN MEMORIAM: Marcelo Sacdalan, Maria Carmen Spiteri, Carmine Bruno, Christos Pittas, Benediktus Benson Saputra, Spencer Recto, Celine & Ozi Dchuna, Vito & Giulia Doria.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Lez Meyers, David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Maeve Reardon, Fr Brian Carey, Joan Oram, Hazel Neilson, Fr Varghese Kattikattu (our former assistant priest), Denzel Considine, Ademar Josesantos, Miguel Davi, Luiz Rodrigues.

The newsletter will be available each week on our website www.cam.org.au/millpark

FR ZAHER - INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Fr Zaher is currently away attending the International Conference on Divine Mercy in Samoa. He will return on Sunday 28th May. May his participation bring many blessings to him and us on his return.

WINTER STALL

The Wellness Activity Group will be holding a Winter Stall next weekend, 27th and 28th May, with all proceeds going towards World Youth Day. (CASH ONLY)

Thank you to all those who supported the LifeTeen Mother's Day Stall last weekend to fundraise for World Youth Day. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Thank you!

SISTERS FROM BELARUS

This weekend the sisters from Belarus will be selling Holy Artefacts to support their important work for the many needy people within their care.

DIVINE MERCY - INTERNATIONAL PRESENTER FATHER CHRIS ALAR - FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

Father Chris Alar will be offering Mass and giving an oration.

The evening programme is as follows:
6:30pm Rosary
7:00pm Mass - Principal Celebrant Fr Chris Alar
8:00pm Divine Mercy Chapel/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30pm Oration - Fr Chris Alar
Confessions will be heard from 7:00pm onwards

Following Fr Chris Alar's talk First Friday devotions will continue until Mass at Midnight.

**** THIS IS NOT A TICKETED EVENT ****
First in best dressed - seats will not be reserved or held for latecomers. Book sales will be available in the foyer. CONTACT: Carlo 0419 351 472

 Aid to the Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

The Catholic Charity *Aid to the Church in Need* has launched their "Nigeria: Young, Faithful, Crucified" global campaign.

Did you know that in 2022 a total of 5,014 Christians were killed for their faith in Nigeria? These were not Nigerians who happened to be Christian, but rather, their allegiance to the Lord saw them face a brutal death. This is a Church being crucified with Christ. To watch testimonies and to make an offering visit www.aidtochurch.org/nigeriaglobal or scan the QR code.



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

CELLS BIRTHDAY! NEXT SUNDAY! Pentecost Sunday, 28th May

NEXT Sunday, 28th May, at 10:30 am Mass our Parish Cells of Evangelisation will be celebrating 24 years. Afterwards there will be a catered lunch in St Francis hall, starting at 12:30 pm. All Cells members and friends are invited. There will be Antipasto, Main Meal and Dessert. BYO Drinks. Tea & Coffee provided. Cost: \$26 per adult; \$13 child's meal. Bookings/Enquiries - 9407 6700.



THE MONTH OF MARY

Legion of Mary will lead the Rosary at 8:45 am every Monday to Friday.

1. Peace in the World
2. Priests and all Religious
3. Conversions of Sinners
4. Souls in Purgatory
5. The Sick of our Parish

Seasons Loss & Grief

The 'Seasons' Loss and Grief Program is a six week grief program for those who have experienced a loss through death of a loved one. It offers group support for coping with grief and loss in an encouraging and accepting environment. 'Seasons' will soon be offered in our parish and we welcome enquiries about the program. Your confidentiality is assured. Please contact Ruth 9407 6703 (leave a message).

SMC St Monica's College, Epping

Enrol Now for Year 7, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians & Carers,

If you have a child presently in Grade 6 and have not yet enrolled into St Monica's College for Year 7, 2024 please do so immediately as places are limited.

Applications for Grade 5 students starting Year 7 in 2025 are now open and will close on Friday 18 August, 2023.

Application for enrolment is available on the St Monica's College Website www.stmonicas-epping.com/apply. Click on the apply button to complete your online form and submit with documentation required.

If you would like to attend a school tour, please visit our website to make a booking.

For enquiries, please contact the College Registrar, Mrs Lina Sirianni on 9409 8800 or email registrar@stmonicas-epping.com.