



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 21ST FEBRUARY 2021

PARISH PRIEST	Fr Anthony Girolami	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Jose Mathew
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Ignacia Coching - 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 9:00 pm	Next Mass: 5th March
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass: 14th March
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass: 20th March
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass: 2nd March
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass: 20th March
MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.	Next Mass: 13th March
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 7:30 pm in the chapel. (Friday 26th - Healing Prayers and Rosary)	
PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:	Contact Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.	
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:	Every Friday at 3:00 pm in the chapel.	
LIFE TEEN:	Contact Carmel - millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au for further details. (Resumes 21/02/2021)	
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:	Every Thursday at 7 pm in the Chapel. Contact Lovely - 0411 208 706.	



In his message for Lent 2021, Pope Francis says that Lent is a time for believing, for welcoming God into our lives and allowing him to "make his dwelling" among us (cf. Jn 14:23). The Holy Father reminds the faithful that the Lenten practices of fasting, almsgiving and prayer make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope and effective charity, thereby sharing in Jesus' mission of the salvation of the world.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS - Please remember to wear masks inside the church at all times and to wear masks outside if a 1.5 metre social distancing measure cannot be maintained. Face masks are required for all people 12 years and older. The wearing of masks allows us to have greater numbers in the church than otherwise.

MASS BOOKINGS - All bookings will commence Tuesday at 10:00am for the week ahead (i.e. Tuesday 23rd February for the following week). Phone bookings for the entire week will only be taken on Tuesdays from 10 am to 5 pm on 9407 6701. If your call goes to voicemail, please remember to leave your name and number and we will get back to you.

TryBooking online bookings can be made by 5:00pm the previous day throughout the week, if seats are available. Please arrive 15 to 20 minutes prior to Mass to enable list checking requirements to occur without difficulty. Please be aware that entry is not permitted once Mass begins. We thank you for your understanding.

MORNING TEA - Morning tea after 9am mass will resume this Sunday. Covid-19 directives will be followed.

DIVINE MERCY - The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited in the chapel each Friday at 3:00 pm.

LIFETEEN - LifeTeen will resume this weekend after the Sunday 5 pm Mass.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Herve Incoul, Anna Altavilla.

The newsletter will be available each week in the Presbytery foyer and on our website www.cam.org.au

Dear Parishioners,

We're back. I can't even say Alleluia because we are in Lent! Oh well 'Praise be Jesus' then!

The Blessing and distribution of the Ashes will take place at all Sunday Masses this weekend. Our timetable with the numbers prior to the sudden lockdown is still applicable. Mask wearing is mandatory for all those 12 years and older unless you have a medical exemption.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Project Compassion boxes are available at every Mass. We encourage each family to take one home with you.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent after the Morning Mass and at the 7:00 pm prior to the evening Mass. Please be aware books with the prayers may not be handed out this year.

WELCOME TO LOYOLA STUDENTS

We welcome the staff and students of Loyola College to our 10:30 am Mass this weekend. May our prayers assist them in all their endeavours.

RCIA

A number of people have made enquiries about the RCIA programme. If you know of anyone who is interested in learning about the Catholic faith please contact Fr Anthony.

CATHOLIC VOCATIONS

This Sunday six young men are entering Corpus Christi College, Carlton, our regional seminary. All of these men are beginning their priestly formation for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. They are Greg Lewis, Jordan McBroom, Gerald Martin, Xavier Ryan, Andrew Tran and Anthony Wright. May the Spirit of the Lord be upon them as they begin their discernment process.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Girolami

Cells Launch 2021 Tuesday 2nd March

All Cell groups, families, and friends are invited to get together to begin the New Year of Cells on Tuesday 2nd March starting at 7:30 pm in St Francis of Assisi Hall

Inspirational Talk & Discussion! Tea/Coffee & Social Time! Bring your friends!

If you are interested in finding out about Cell Groups – Come & see!
Enquiries contact 9407 6700.



Catechist Classes 2021

Catechist classes will begin on Tuesday 27th April at 4:15pm - 5:00pm. Enrolments are now open. An enrolment form and payment form are available on our website (under application forms tab) or from the parish office (Tuesdays or Fridays). These forms can be emailed back to us. Alternatively, we will have an enrolment day on Tuesday 20th April in the Church from 4pm - 5pm if you prefer to enrol face to-face.

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.

Sacramental Dates 2021

First Reconciliation -	Tuesday 14th September at 4:00pm
First Eucharist -	Sunday 12th September at 2:00pm
Confirmation -	Saturday 6th November at 11:30am

This year, classes will run during terms two and three, every Tuesday 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 mpark@sfmillpark.catholic.edu.au



First Sunday of Lent
21st February 2021



Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access to emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.**

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

