



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time 28th January 2018

Parish Priest:	Fr Anthony Girolami	Assistant Priest:	Fr Anthony Cruz
Pastoral Associate:	Ruth Lees - 9407 6704	Pastoral Associate:	Sr Ignacia Coching - 9407 6707
School Principal:	Mark Basile - 9407 3100	Youth Minister:	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6705
Parish Administration:	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700	Parish Bookkeeper:	Rachel Masouh - 9407 6701

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. Rosary recited after Mass.

RECONCILIATION: Wednesday 7:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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

MARRIAGES & BAPTISMS: By appointment only. Contact Parish Office.

VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7 pm to 1 am.	Next Mass:	2nd February
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon. (None Jan)	Next Mass:	11th February
ITALIAN MASS:	2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am. (None Jan)	Next Mass:	13th February
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Sat of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40. (None Jan)	Next Mass:	17th February
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA:	2nd Fri of the month 7:30 pm in Chapel & Fridays after 9:15 am Mass.	Next Novena:	9th February
YOUNG ADULTS MERCY NIGHT:	Last Friday of the month 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.	Next Night:	23rd February
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. (None Jan)	Next Mass:	6th February
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. (None Jan)	Next Mass:	17th February
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:	3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:45 pm in the Chapel.	Next Night:	20th February
MEN'S NIGHT:	First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475. (None Jan/Feb)	Next Night:	7th March
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.	Next Mass:	6th February
AGAPE MALAYLEE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:	Every Sunday 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm in the Chapel or Church.		
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 - mpchildrenslit@gmail.com		
LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the parish nook.		
JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday at 3:45 pm in the parish nook. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.		
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:	Thursdays in the Chapel at 7:30 pm. Contact Franca - 0439 670 219.		
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 Julie - 0408 033 877 or Sandra - 0419 039 547.		

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Death Anniversaries: Maria Fontana, Rosie Magalotti

Those who are ill: Joan Mackey, Zack Mifsud, Saturnino (Tony) Jandayan, Islay Mitchell, Anna Samanna, Fr Joe Yu, David Wallace, Anthony Lethbridge, Lucrezia Cerminara.

Reading Roster	27/28 January (week 5)	3/4 February (week 1)
Sat. 5.00 pm:	Gaby & Caroline Callegari	Gaby & Michelle Vanvelzon
Sun. 9.00 am:	Cath McMaster & John Andrews	Savio Fernandes & Anagi Perera
Sun. 10.30 am:	Judith Wright & Julie Kerr	Candida D'Souza & Helen Javier
Counting Roster:	28 January - Team 8	4 February - Team 1
	M Dempsey, C & D Stocco, M Lin Yap	R & H Baz, M Wojtonis
Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:	29 January - 4 February	5 - 11 February
	Tina Da Costa	Carmen L.

Next Week's Readings: Job 7: 1-4, 6-7 Ps 146: 1-6. R.v. 3 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23 Mt 8: 17 Mk 1:29-39

ALTAR SERVERS: There will be no Altar Servers practice until further notice.



Thank you for those who have collected the Thanksgiving envelopes. The uncollected envelopes have now been posted.

Enrolment forms for 2018 Catechist Classes can be collected from the church foyer or the parish office. Forms can be returned to the parish office from Monday 5th February. Classes will begin Tuesday 6th March. Email May at mpark@sfmillpark.catholic.edu.au for any enquiries.

Saint Barlaam

Martyr (+ 4th century)

Feast: November 19

In Antioch in Syria lived Barlaam, a country labourer. Though he could not read, he had learned Scripture by heart. During a time of persecution, Barlaam was arrested. The judge mocked him for his rustic manners and then sent him to be scourged and stretched upon the rack. Through it all, Barlaam remained silent.

Then the judge devised a more "suitable" torture. Barlaam was brought to an altar of sacrifice where a fire was lit. His hand was forcibly stretched over the altar and incense and hot coals were placed in it. The judge was certain that Barlaam would immediately react and toss the incense in the fire, and it could be said that he had made sacrifices to the gods. But Barlaam did not flinch. He remained with arm outstretched as the hot coals burned their way through his hand. Shortly afterward Barlaam died from this trauma. Saints Basil the Great and John Chrysostom both gave homilies in honour of Barlaam. "So, then", said Chrysostom, "his flesh withered and his will became more enthusiastic, surpassing the coals themselves in brilliance and glory more brightly than they. A spiritual fire was kindled within that was much more scorching than his fire. For this reason he didn't notice the external flame, since the blazing, red-hot fire of Christ's love was burning inside him."

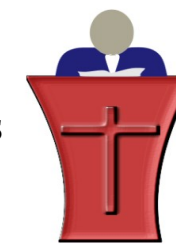
Father in heaven, through the intercession of Saint Barlaam, purify my will, that I might choose only you.

FAMILY FAIR

Our Family Fair in 2018 will be on Sunday, 18th March. Preparations have begun and many volunteers will be needed. Please pick up a December Fair Newsletter after Mass. Please support all the generous sponsors of our Fair. Contact 9407 6704 for more information about the Family Fair.



Holiday Rosters



The rosters for Readers and Special Ministers of the Eucharist will continue during January. If you will be absent or on holiday, please contact another person to take your turn.