



# St Francis of Assisi Parish

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We will be **LIVE STREAMING** Mass at 8 am on Wednesdays and 8 am on Sundays. To access the stream, please visit our website [www.cam.org.au/millpark](http://www.cam.org.au/millpark) and click on the link provided on the homepage.

## CHAPEL OPENING HOURS

Monday	7:30 am – 4:30 pm
Tuesday	7:30 am – 6:30 pm
Wednesday	6:30 am – 6:30 pm
Thursday	7:30 am – 6:30 pm
Friday	7:30 am – 6:30 pm
Saturday	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am – 5:00 pm

The newsletter will be available each week in the Church and on the website.

Thank you to all those who contribute to the fair that sadly had to be cancelled. Thank you for all the donations. They will be stored and used at our Fair next year on March 14th 2021. Please put the date in your diaries!

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Peter Robinson PE, Elizabeth Negline.

**Death Anniversaries:** Joseph Antony, John Caddaye.

**Those who are ill:** David Wallace, Anthony Lethbridge, Sam Pisani, Maria Concepcion Alcedo, Danuata Plaskota, Rebecca Scaringi, Marina Manabat, Isau Issac, Sharon Barber, Flor Madio, Brian Rooney, John Pathinathan, Alfio & Giovanna Tringal, Herve Incoul, Maria Ljutic.

Dear Parishioners,

With all of the new directives we have received from our Archbishop which required immediate implementation we have found ourselves struggling to put into place measures that will assist the spiritual welfare of our parishioners but we will persevere.

The most striking directive is the immediate suspension of all public liturgies, including the celebrations of Mass until further notice. However funerals, weddings, baptisms and confessions will still continue.

Furthermore, all our other gatherings are suspended. That means all parish groups are requested not to convene until further notice.

Sadly there will be no Easter Ceremonies.

All the faithful are now dispensed from attending Sunday Mass. It is hoped people will spend some time on Sundays praying or reading the scriptures or watching Mass For You at Home (6 am Sundays on channel 10).

Also we will be live streaming Mass each Sunday and each Wednesday at 8am.

The Church will be open for visits each day from 9 am until 12 noon. The chapel will remain open as usual.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

*I know many of you will be concerned about keeping up to date with your thanksgiving contribution. For those who contribute by direct debit or credit card all will remain in place. For those who contribute using envelopes a collection box has been placed at the parish office each day where you can simply drop off your offering on any day at any time or you can leave it with the office staff.*

*Even though the Masses have ceased the ongoing financial commitments of the Parish remain. If you would like to switch your contributions to direct debit or credit card this is a timely moment and the office staff will be able to assist you or you can download the forms from our website [www.cam.org.au/millpark](http://www.cam.org.au/millpark) and email them to us at [millpark@cam.org.au](mailto:millpark@cam.org.au)*

*If I may further request from you. Many who contribute using envelopes give little or even nothing to the presbytery side of the envelopes. Not only does this support your local priests but it is also needed to assist the priests in parishes with minimal support, priests who are sick and infirm and retired priests. If you could help us with this it would be greatly appreciated. Even if you are not a registered member of the thanksgiving programme you could certainly join or simply place your usual contribution in the box in the Parish House foyer.*

This is an unprecedented circumstance for virtually all of us. We hope that these measures will assist with the eradication of this pandemic virus. Let us pray for each other and for those families that have been effected by this virus, here and in other parts of the world.

Trusting in God's mercy and the Intercession of Our Lady Help of Christians, along with our Patron St Francis of Assisi may we all support each other in faith and prayer.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr Anthony Girolami