



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 29TH JANUARY 2023

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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

RECONCILIATION Wednesday 7:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Wednesday evening after Mass and Novena

ADORATION Saturday 9:45 am
 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:** 3rd February

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

MALTESE MASS: 3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40. **Next Mass:** 18th February

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

INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS: 3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. **Next Mass:** 18th February

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 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Felix Grech, John Otrembiak, Rena Thomas.

IN MEMORIAM: Bruna Vatta, Bruno Vatta, Antonella Collins, Kenneth Leong, Hannah Leong, Bert Mercovich, Eileen Mercovich, Charles Nelson, Des Borbidge, Deniso Nagalingum, Nathalie Nagalingum, Maria Huong, Maria Sang, Gaspard Vona.

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

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

Dear Parishioners,

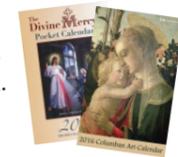
This week we welcome our Children back to school. In particular we welcome the 189 new prep students starting with us at Saint Francis of Assisi this year. Our overall student enrolment is 1244. Yes, a new high! At the rear of the library a new double storey building is being constructed. It is the largest structural undertaking in the school's history. The construction will undoubtedly bring challenged and disruptions, so please keep all involved in your prayers that all may go well and safely.

Yours in Christ, *Fr. Anthony Girolami*

THANKSGIVING RECEIPTS & NEW ENVELOPES

Thanksgiving receipts for those that contribute via all methods, including credit card, and new sets of envelopes are available for collection in the foyer of the church. They are in alphabetical order of street name. Thank you for your patience during this process.

The Piety Stall is now selling the 2023 Divine Mercy and Columban Art Church calendars for \$10 each and also the 2023 Mass reading books. Buy your copy now so as not to be disappointed. Thank you.
(Could the person who ordered the 4 x 300mm Holy Family Statues please collect them from the piety stall.)



ST VINCENT DE PAUL FLOOD APPEAL

Contributions can be made by: 1. Calling 13 18 12. 2. Visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>. 2. Making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase 4. Via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

CHOIRS ON BREAK DURING JANUARY

During January our choirs at Mass will have a well-earned break. We thank them for the talents they share with us faithfully every week. Please remember while at Mass to refer to the weekly newsletter for all prayers and responses.

JANUARY ROSTERS

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

PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION

Our **Parish Cell Groups** will resume NEXT WEEK, starting on Monday, 6th February.

Saint Who? Saint Adelaide Feast day: 16 December

Adelaide was a Burgundian princess. Born in 931, she was betrothed to the prince of a neighbouring region as part of a peace treaty. She was two when the contract was made, and at sixteen she was married to Lothair, king of Italy. The couple had one daughter, but then Lothair died. His rival (and possibly murderer) tried to force Adelaide to wed his son, but she refused.

One account says that she escaped from prison but became entrapped in a bog. In a moment of despair, she encountered Otto the Great, king of Germany, who not only rescued her but fell in love with her at first sight. The two married and had five children together. Otto became Holy Roman Emperor.

After twenty years of marriage, Otto died. Adelaide left the court, fleeing conflicts with her son and daughter-in-law. However, with the help of wise counsellors, she succeeded in being reconciled to them. Eventually she became a regent of the empire, which she ruled until her grandson came of age. Then Adelaide left to devote her time to the establishment of churches and religious houses. She died on 16 December 999, in a monastery she had helped establish. She is the patron saint of second marriages.

Loving father,. Through the intercession and example of Saint Adelaide, help us to maintain hope and mercy in our relationships.