



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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Parish Bulletin The Epiphany of the Lord 5th January 2020

PARISH PRIEST	Fr Anthony Girolami	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Cruz
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Ignacia Coching - 9407 6707	YOUTH MINISTER	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6705
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700	PARISH BOOKKEEPER	Cheryl Langford - 9407 6701
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	Mark Basile - 9407 3100	DEACON	Simeon Anthony

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. 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 – 11:00 am concluding with Benediction Wednesday 7:30 am – 7:30 pm

VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to midnight.	Next Mass:	7th February
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass:	12th January
ITALIAN MASS:	2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am.	Next Mass:	11th February
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass:	15th February
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass:	4th February
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. (NONE DEC OR JAN)	Next Mass:	15th February
MEN'S NIGHT:	First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475.	Next Night:	5th February
MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.	Next Mass:	8th February
NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH:	2nd Wednesday of the month after morning Mass.	Next Novena:	12th February
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA:	Every Friday after 9:15am Mass and 3 pm in the chapel.		
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.		
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:	Every Thursday at 7 pm in the Chapel. Contact Lovely - 0411 208 706.		
AGAPE MALAYLEE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:	Every Saturday 6 pm - 8:30 pm in the Chapel.		
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. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.		
JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:	Every Thursday during school terms at 3:45 pm in the Church. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.		
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:	Fridays in the Chapel at 7:30 pm. Contact Nancy 0434 559 352.		
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		
PRAYER COMPANIONS:	Resumes in February		
PLAYGROUP:	Thursdays at 9 am during school terms. Contact Mary-Anne on 0411 106 283.		

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Recently Deceased:
Death Anniversaries: Joseph Viunnel, Clement Da Costa, Merlyn Meyers, Leonicia Mendez, Ulrich Gomes
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 L. Giovanna Tringal, Zery Galea, Herve Incoul.

Reading Roster:	4/5 January (Week 1)	11/12 January (Week 2)
Sat. 5.00 pm:	Gaby Callegari & Michelle Vanvelzon	Sanja Ovens & Cliff DaCosta
Sun. 9.00 am:	Peppy Adi-Purnomo & Franca Wollensack	Carmen Saliba & Sue Spiteri
Sun. 10.30 am:	Candida D'Souza & Veronica Cordeiro	Regina Di Pasquale & Marcelle Henderson
Counting Roster:	5th January (Team 5)	12th January (Team 6)
	R Nightingale, J Goh, K Saviane	M & C Saliba, M Cellini
Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:	6 - 12 January	13 - 19 January
	Carmen Lopez	Nena Smith

Next Week's Readings: Isa 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 28:1-4, 9-10. R.v.11 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17

MARYMEDE MASS: The next Sunday Mass at Marymede College will be on 16th February 2020 at 10:30 am.
VINNIES BUSHFIRE APPEAL: Bushfire Appeal donations can be made through St Vincent De Paul's website, www.vinnies.org.au



St Francis of Assisi Mill Park PILGRIMAGE

Footsteps of St Paul Oct 21 - Nov 9 2020

A reminder to all who wish to go on the 2020 pilgrimage, your deposit of \$500 is required by Friday 10th January. Payment is to be made directly to Olive Tree Travel.

Total estimated price for Greece, Malta, and Italy:
 Price per person based on 25 - 29 full paying passengers: \$7,590.
 Price per person based on 30 - 34 full paying passengers: \$7,490.
 Optional room supplement: \$1,375.
 Optional Santorini shore excursion: \$110 per person
 Supplement for outside cabin on cruise: \$300 per person twin share or \$460 per person single supplement.

Contact Elio on 0449193511 or Chiara on 0439612694.

The Piety Stall is now selling the 2020 Divine Mercy and Columban Art Church calendars. Buy your copy so as not to be disappointed. Thank you.



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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please note the Parish Office will have minimal staff until February. If you need to contact to Parish please leave a phone message or email millpark@cam.org.au and someone will get back to you when able.

FAMILY FAIR 2020

Our Family Fair in 2020 will be on Sunday, 22nd 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 6700 for more information about the Family Fair.



CHOIR HOLIDAY

During January our choirs will have a well-earned break. Please use the prayer cards or the newsletter for responses and prayers during Mass.

Organ Concert by Thomas Heywood

Works by Handel, Vivaldi, Brahms, Tchaikovsky and Mozart

Where: St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

When: Friday 7th February 2020 6-7pm

Cost: \$25 (no concessions). Children under 15 free

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHMYQ or tickets available at the door

SAINT WHO?

Saints Who Renewed Parish Life
Saint Toribio Romo Gonzalez
 (Priest and Martyr)

Toribio was born in Santa Ana, Mexico. His extremely poor family had to walk a great distance to Sunday Mass each week. When a visiting priest stayed at the family home, Toribio began to consider the priesthood. He was still a boy when he announced that he was going to leave home for preparatory studies. His sister Quica broke off her engagement to go with him and support him financially while he studied.

When Toribio was ordained in 1922, persecutions of the Mexican Church under President Calles were intensifying. Three years later, Toribio and the pastor of Cuquio organised an outdoor Mass on the Feast of Christ the King that was attended by fifteen thousand faithful. All present took an oath to defend their Faith. The authorities began to keep tabs on Toribio. When he accepted a new assignment in Tequila, a dangerous region, he made his home in an abandoned distillery in a remote canyon. Quica and his brother Roman, who was now a priest, came too. The brothers catechised the children on nearby farms, visited the sick, and brought the sacraments to the faithful in secret.

On 15 February 1928, Toribio's brother was on an errand in a nearby town when gunmen arrived at the distillery looking for "the priest." "I am the priest," Toribio confessed. They shot him immediately and he died in his sister's arms.

Quica was spared. She spent her remaining years helping poor children to receive a Christ-centred education.

Eternal Father, through the intercession of Saint Toribio Romo Gonzalez, make me faithful to the end.

PLAYGROUP



Playgroup has now concluded for this year and will resume again on the 6th February 2020. For any enquiries please contact

Were you a witness?

Last Sunday, 29th December, at the end of the 10.30 Mass a grey Mazda 3 Rego ZNZ 587 had its driver door hit by the car parked next to it. If you saw this would you please contact Father. Your anonymity will be respected.

VIOLIN LESSONS

I am a classically trained violinist who is passionate about discovering a student's potential. I teach students of all ages, so feel free to contact me, Amir Yacoub on 0469 739 862. The introductory lesson is for free.

