



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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Parish Bulletin The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 30th December 2018

PARISH PRIEST	Fr Anthony Girolami	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Cruz
DEACON	Rev Andrew Choi - 9407 6711	PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Ignacia Coching - 9407 6700
YOUTH MINISTER	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6705	PARISH ADMINISTRATION	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	Mark Basile - 9407 3100	PARISH BOOKKEEPER	Rachel Massouh - 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. 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:	4th January
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass:	13th January
ITALIAN MASS:	2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am.	Next Mass:	12th February
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Sat of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass:	16th February
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA:	Every Friday after 9:15am Mass and 2:45 pm in the chapel.	Next Novena:	5th January
YOUNG ADULTS MERCY NIGHT:	Last Friday of the month 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.	Next Night:	22nd February
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:	1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass:	5th February
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm.	Next Mass:	16th February
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:	3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:45 pm in the Chapel.	Next Night:	19th February
MEN'S NIGHT:	First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475.	Next Night:	6th February
MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.	Next Mass:	12th January
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.		
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 - mpchildrenlit@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		
PLAYGROUP:	Every Thursday during school terms in small hall. Contact Katherine - 0402 858 724.		

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Recently Deceased: Reynaldo Pilapil.
Death Anniversaries: Jean Chong Foon Chong, Carlos Pinto.
Those who are ill: Zack Mifsud, Fr Joe Yu, David Wallace, Anthony Lethbridge, Leonie Langford, Sam Pisani, Maria Concepcion Alcedo, Niamh Tierney, Danuata Plaskota, Theresa Blasioli, Antonia Zaccaria, Pat Gioffre, Rebecca Scaringi.

Reading Roster	29/30 December - Week 5	5/6 January - Week 1
Sat. 5:00 pm:	Gaby & Caroline Callegari	Gaby & Michelle Vanvelzon
Sun. 9.00 am:	Febra William & Daniel Ramsey	Savio Fernandes & Anagi Perera
Sun. 10.30 am:	Judith Wright & Julie Kerr	Candida D'Souza & Helen Javier
Counting Roster:	December 30 - Team 8	January 6 - Team 1
	M Dempsey, C & D Stocco, M Lin Yap	R & H Baz, M Wojtonis
Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:	December 31 - Jan 6	January 7-13
	Mary Hoo	Jenny Galati

Next Week's Readings: Isa 60:1-6. Ps 71:1-2, 7-13. Eph 3:2-3, 5-6. Mt 2:1-12.

THANKSGIVING STATEMENTS

All those that contribute to thanksgiving, either by envelopes, credit card or direct debit, please pick up your statements from the foyer of the Church. They are in alphabetical order of street name. Please also take any from your own street that you are able to hand deliver.



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.

FAMILY FAIR 2019

Our Family Fair in 2019 will be on Sunday 3rd 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.



SAINT WHO?

Saints Who Rescued Widows and Orphans

The Gospel is the story of a love that seeks, finds, and gathers: the woman hunting her lost coin, the shepherd going after his sheep, the father welcoming his wayward son. Before our Lord showed us the lengths to which he would go for us on the cross, he told us of that love in his parables.

The early Church did as her Lord had taught her. She gathered the abandoned and consoled the bereft. In Jerusalem, one of the Apostles' first concerns was the continuation of charity to needy widows (cf. Acts 6). And in Rome, the deacon Lawrence was asked to bring the Church's funds to the authorities. He gave the money to the poor and the orphans, and brought them to the magistrate: "the Church's true treasure".

In our own day, Pope Benedict XVI plainly proclaimed: "Love for widows and orphans, prisoners, and the sick and needy of every kind is as essential to [the Church] as the ministry of the sacraments and the preaching of the Gospel. The Church cannot neglect the service of charity any more than she can neglect the sacraments and the Word" (*Deus caritas est* 22).

As always, the saints put flesh on the words of the Gospel. This month's saints are the ones who seek and find, gather and nurture. Their concern for abandoned children and destitute women, the rejected of society, is that selfsame love that has been lavished upon us in Christ.

CHOIRS AT MASS: During January our choirs will have a well earned break. We thank them for the talents they share with us faithfully every week.

*Joy to the world – a saviour is born.
On behalf of the Parish Team I wish you and your families a happy and peace filled New Year.*

DIRECTIONS FOR THE USE OF THE FELLOWSHIP AREA DURING MASS

Please observe the following:

- The fellowship area is only for parents with young children.
- All others please be seated in the Church.
- Parents are asked to take their children directly into the Church upon arrival.
- The fellowship area is only to be used if a child becomes unsettled during Mass. Once a child settles we encourage the parents to take the child back into the Church.
- While parents are in the fellowship area the children are to be within arms reach of parents at all times.
- Children should not be allowed to run around the fellowship or foyer area. Please be aware the Church fellowship area and foyer are not meant to be play areas.
- Parents please do not allow your children to stand on the furniture.
- The outer doors of the Church are to remain open at all times during Mass for OH&S requirements.
- At no time should children be permitted to play on the railings in the fellowship area or the garden/water feature area outside the Church.

Thank you for your co-operation.

HOLIDAY NEWS

Sr Ignacia has left for a months holiday to be with her family in the Philippines. She will return at the beginning of February.

Rev Andrew Choi our deacon has taken a well earned break. He is travelling to the Holy Land on a pilgrimage and then will go to see his family in Korea. Andrew will be with us until he is ordained a priest in September 2019 God willing.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We ask that all new parishioners please fill in a Registration Form which can be found in the foyer of the Church and then place it in the wooden box. Thank you.

