

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES** 

# St Francis of Assisi Parish

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**ASSISTANT PRIEST** 

**YOUTH MINISTER** 

**PARISH BOOKKEEPER** 

Fr Cruz

Carmel Walsh - 9407 6705

**Next Mass:** 3rd January

Next Mass: 12th January

**Next Mass:** 11th February

**Next Mass:** 15th February

**Next Mass:** 15th February

**Next Night:** 5th February

**Next Mass:** 8th February

**Next Novena:** 12th February

**Next Mass:** 4th February

Simeon Anthony

Cheryl Langford - 9407 6701

Parish Bulletin The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph 29th December 2019

**PARISH PRIEST** Fr Anthony Girolami

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE Sr Ignacia Coching - 9407 6707 OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700

Mark Basile - 9407 3100 **DEACON** 

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES** Saturday vigil: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

> 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. **FILIPINO MASS:** 2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.

**ITALIAN MASS:** 2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am. MALTESE MASS: 3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.

ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS: 3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. (NONE DEC OR JAN)

MEN'S NIGHT: First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475.

MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS: 2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.

NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH: 2nd Wednesday of the month after morning Mass.

**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:** Reynaldo Pilapil, Rosie (Say-Lui) Magalotti, Sebamalai Rajah, Sebamalai Muithu, Anton Jeyarajah, Anton Goyarajah **Those who are ill**: David Wallace, Anthony Lethbridge, Sam Pisani, Maria Concepcion Alcedo, Danuata Plaskota, Rebecca Scaringi, Marina Manabat, Isaú Issac, Sharon Barber, Flor Madio, Brian Rooney, John Pathinathan, Alfio A Giovanna Tringal, Zeny Galea, Herve Incoul.

28/29 December (Week 5) **Reading Roster:** 

Gaby Callegari & Michelle Vanvelzon Sat. 5.00 pm: Sun. 9.00 am: D&M Ramsey & Peppy Adi-Purnomo Sun. 10.30 am: Judith Wright & Madeleine Francis **Counting Roster:** 29 December (Team 4) A Lee, A Glatzel, J Perera

**Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:** 30 December - 5 January

Tina Da Costa

4/5 January (Week 1)

Gaby Callegari & Michelle Vanvelzon Peppy Adi-Purnomo & Franca Wollensack Candida D'Souza & Veronica Cordeiro

5th January (Team 5) R Nightingale, J Goh, K Saviane

6 - 12 January

Carmen Lopez

Next Week's Readings: Isa 60:1-6 Ps 71:1-2, 7-13 R.v.11 Eph 3:2-3, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

NEW YEARS DAY MASS: Wednesday 1st January 2020 - 9.15am & 7.30pm

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, 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.

# **CHOIRS AT MASS**

After today, 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.

### **SAINT WHO?**

Saints Who Renewed Parish Life **Saint Oscar Romero** (Bishop and Martyr)

Oscar was born in El Salvador in 1917. After studies and ordination in Rome, he returned to his homeland to take up parish work and seminary teaching. He was chosen to be Archbishop of San Salvador in 1977. He chose the episcopal motto "Sentir con la Iglesia"- "To think with the Church."

In the face of the violence perpetrated by the country's government and military, Oscar sought to accompany his priests and the many poor they served. His homilies became eloquent pleas, broadcast all over the country by radio, that highlighted societal injustice and called for profound personal conversion. The people rallied around the archbishop, and the priests found strength in his words.

On the 23rd March 1980, Oscar preached a homily in which he appealed to the military and police of El Salvador, calling for them to recover their consciences and disobey orders to participate in killing and repression. The next day, as he was saying Mass in the chapel of the cancer hospital where he lived, an assassin killed him with a single gunshot to the heart. Oscar had just complete his homily: "This holy Mass, the Eucharist, is itself an act of faith.... May this body immolated and this blood sacrificed for humans nourish us... so that we may give our body and our blood to suffering and to pain - like Christ, not for self, but to bring justice and peace to our people."

Oscar was canonised as a martyr killed out of hatred for Faith in 2018.

Loving Father, through the intercession of Saint Oscar Romero, guide me to a generous gift of self, that my life might be a source of life for others.

### PLAYGROUP

Playgroup has now concluded for this



year and will resume again on the 6th February 2020. For any enquiries please contact oMary-Anne on 0411 106 283.

#### **VIOLIN LESSONS**

I am a classically trained violinist who is passionate about discovering a student's potential. I teach student of all ages, so feel

free to contact me, Amir Yacoub on 0469 739 862. The introductory lesson is for free.