



# St Francis of Assisi Parish

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Parish Bulletin Third Sunday of Advent 15th December 2019

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

<b>WEEKEND MASS TIMES</b>	Saturday vigil: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm
<b>WEEKDAY MASS TIMES</b>	Monday – Saturday 9:15 am. Rosary recited after Mass. Wednesday 7:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help
<b>RECONCILIATION</b>	Wednesday evening after Mass and Novena Saturday 9:45 am
<b>ADORATION</b>	Saturday 9:45 am – 11:00 am concluding with Benediction Wednesday 7:30 am – 7:30 pm

<b>VIGIL MASS:</b>	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to midnight.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 7th February
<b>FILIPINO MASS:</b>	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 9th February
<b>ITALIAN MASS:</b>	2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. Rosary 11 am.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 11th February
<b>MALTESE MASS:</b>	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 21st December
<b>ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:</b>	1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 17th December
<b>INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:</b>	3rd Saturday of the month at 7 pm. (NONE DEC OR JAN)	<b>Next Mass:</b> 15th February
<b>MEN'S NIGHT:</b>	First Wed of the month at 7 pm. Contact Frank - 0414648475.	<b>Next Night:</b> 5th February
<b>MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:</b>	2nd Sat of the month 6:30 pm. Rosary, Mass, Adoration.	<b>Next Mass:</b> 8th February
<b>NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH:</b>	2nd Wednesday of the month after morning Mass.	<b>Next Novena:</b> 12th February
<b>DIVINE MERCY NOVENA:</b>	Every Friday after 9:15am Mass and 3 pm in the chapel.	
<b>NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):</b>	Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.	
<b>JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP:</b>	Every Thursday at 7 pm in the Chapel. Contact Lovely - 0411 208 706.	
<b>AGAPE MALAYLEE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:</b>	Every Saturday 6 pm - 8:30 pm in the Chapel.	
<b>CHILDREN'S ROSARY:</b>	First Saturday of the month after 9:15 am Mass in the Chapel.	
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>	Sundays 10:30 am Mass during school terms. Contact - mpchildrenslit@gmail.com	
<b>LEGION OF MARY:</b>	Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the parish nook. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
<b>JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:</b>	Every Thursday during school terms at 3:45 pm in the Church. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.	
<b>WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:</b>	Fridays in the Chapel at 7:30 pm. Contact Nancy 0434 559 352.	
<b>PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:</b>	Contact Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.	
<b>LIFE TEEN:</b>	Sundays after 5 pm Mass, meet in Church foyer. Contact Carmel - millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au	
<b>PRAYER COMPANIONS:</b>	Help with confidential prayers for special intentions in the Chapel after 9:30 am and 10:30 am Masses.	
<b>PLAYGROUP:</b>	Thursdays at 9 am during school terms. Contact Mary-Anne on 0411 106 283.	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**  
*Recently Deceased:* Rose Ruffolo, Amos Aquino, Maria Carlota Antumus  
*Death Anniversaries:* Greg Wedlock, Charlie Dicerbo, Billy Azzopardi, Sonia Khouy, Therese Attou, Crispine De Vos, Andrew Emmanuel  
*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, Zeny Galea, Herve Incoul.

<b>Reading Roster:</b>	<b>14/15 December (Week 3)</b>	<b>21/22 December (Week 4)</b>
Sat. 5.00 pm:	Teresa Wong & Anne Young	Shammi Jayasuriya & Sarah Wallace
Sun. 9.00 am:	John Andrews & Febra William	Angela Royston & Carlo Stocco
Sun. 10.30 am:	Joe Galati & Marie Sikand	Vangie Gregorio & Julie Kerr
<b>Counting Roster:</b>	<b>15 December (Team 2)</b>	<b>22 December (Team 3)</b>
	A Trinchi, S Borg, S O'Rourke, Frank Leo	M & S Ovens, M Basile
<b>Altar Linen Cleaning Roster:</b>	<b>16 - 22 December</b>	<b>23 - 29 December</b>
	Mary Hoo	Jenny Galati

**Next Week's Readings:** Isa 7:10-14 Ps 23:1-6 R. cf. vv. 7, 10 Rom 1:1-7 Mt 1:18-24

**MARYMEDE MASS:** This Sunday Mass at Marymede College will be on 15th December at 10:30 am.

**VINNIES BUSHFIRE APPEAL:** Bushfire Appeal donations can be made through St Vincent De Paul's website, www.vinnies.org.au



Thanksgiving envelope sets for next year and giving statements for those that give by envelope, credit card or debit card are now available to collect from the foyer of the Church. They are in alphabetical order of street name. Please collect yours today.



**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.



**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.



**PRAYER COMPANIONS**  
Our Parish is offering prayers for people after 9 am & 10.30 am Masses. If you need prayer for you or your family, come to the Chapel after Mass today and someone will pray for your needs. Your confidentiality will be respected. Prayer Companions will finish after this Sunday and resume in February.

**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 for you free thirty minute introductory lesson.

**ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL CONCERT**  
**FESTIVE MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS**  
Wednesday 18 December, 7pm - St Patrick's Cathedral  
This will be a very special concert featuring works for ten brass instruments, percussion and organ as well as a selection of favourite Christmas melodies. Musicians include some of Australia's leading brass exponents who have performed extensively within Australia and internationally, both as ensemble and solo artists and as members of Australia's finest orchestras. The ensemble also includes several wonderful young graduates from the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM). Conductor: Brett Kelly. Organist: Anthony Halliday.  
**Tickets:** \$25.00 (children under 15 free). Tickets available at the door.  
**Bookings:** [www.trybooking.com/BGPWW](http://www.trybooking.com/BGPWW)  
**Further information:** [music@cam.org.au](mailto:music@cam.org.au), T: 9926 5753

The **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Tree** is in the Church foyer. If you would like to contribute please take a card from the tree. All gifts must be returned by today **Sunday 15th December**. Thank you for your generous support.

**Christmas Eve Play on 24<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30 pm**  
Would you like to participate in the Christmas Eve Nativity Play, starting at 6.30 pm, before the 7.00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass? Please contact Parish Office: 9407 6700 or Trish: 0438 010 018.

**CAROL SINGING AT WESTFIELD PLENTY VALLEY!**  
COME & HEAR our 5.00 pm Sunday Youth Choir sing Christmas Carols at Westfield Plenty Valley this Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, at 7 pm, on the outdoor stage in the Dining Area. All Parishioners are encouraged to come to listen and support our choir as they witness to the true spirit of Christmas to the shoppers.



**PLAYGROUP**  
Playgroup has now concluded for this year and will resume again on the 6th February 2020. For any enquiries please contact Mary-Anne on 0411 106 283.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY HELPERS NEEDED**  
Volunteers are needed to help with Children's Liturgy at 10:30 am Mass on Sundays. If you are a parent whose children attend Children's Liturgy please consider offering to be a helper once a term. No experience is necessary. Contact the Parish Office on 9407 6700. Thank you.

**Roster for Christmas Masses**  
The Christmas Roster for Readers and Special Ministers is in the Church Foyer. Please fill in your name and phone number if you are available for the Christmas Masses.

**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](mailto:millpark@cam.org.au) and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

You are most welcome to join us for the final Charismatic Mass for 2019 and Christmas break-up on Thursday, 19th December at St Thomas the Apostle Church, 251 Diamond Creek Rd, Nth Greensborough commencing at 7.30pm with praise & worship. For further details, please contact Rose 9434 3962 or Emilia 0418 120 902.