

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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MASS TIMES

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday vigil 5:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm
Monday – Saturday 9:15 am
Wednesday 7:30 pm (7:15pm Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

CONFESSION & ADORATION TIMES

CONFESSION TIMES

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Benediction during these times.

Wednesday 6:15pm – 7:15pm
Saturday 9:45am – 10:45am

OTHER DEVOTIONS

VIGIL MASS:

FILIPINO MASS:

MALTESE MASS:

INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:

NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH:

ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS:

NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM):

LEGION OF MARY:

JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY:

WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP:

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP:

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:

AGAPE RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING:

JESUS YOUTH YOUNG ADULTS PRAYER MEETING :

MEN'S MEET & GREET GROUP:

MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN:

LIFE TEEN:

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

PRAYER COMPANIONS:

HOUSE BLESSINGS:

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:

CATECHIST R.E. CLASSES: Resumes Tuesday July 14th Term 3 (4:15pm - 5pm)

1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to Midnight Mass.

2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.

3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.

3rd Saturday of the month at 7pm.

1st Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am Mass.

Tuesdays, 7:00 pm.

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm.

Thursdays, 10:00 am in the church fellowship area. Contact Jackie – 0422 443 324.

Wednesdays, 3:30 pm during school terms in the fellowship area. Contact Jackie

Fridays, 7:00 pm in the chapel. Contact Nancy – 0434 559 352.

Contact Regina – 0432 267 557

Fridays, 3:00 pm in the chapel and Friday mornings after 9:15am Mass.

Contact Jigimon – 0402 652 646.

Thursdays, 7 pm. Contact Irene K. Jacob – 0481 829 529

1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm (Small Hall).

Mondays, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Church fellowship area.

Sundays during the school terms 6–7:45pm for those in high-school. Contact Michelle, Parish Office 9407 6700

Sundays 10:30am Mass. Pre-school and lower to middle primary school children are welcome.

Prayers for people after Mass in the Chapel after 9 am & 10.30 am Masses.

To invite our clergy to visit and bless your house, please fill in the card in the church foyer.

1st Saturdays of every month (except school holidays), meeting in the church foyer.

Next Mass: 5th June

Next Mass: 14th June

Next Mass: 20th June

Next Mass: 20th June

AYY

<< Scan for Try Booking, Enquires: May Park, 9407 6700, The following classes are offered: Pre-Sacramental: Prep, 1s, 2s | First Reconciliation: Minimum Year 3 level | First Eucharist: Students who have already received First Reconciliation | Confirmation: Minimum Year 6 level

AYY FELLOWSHIP: Young Adults, Last Saturdays of the Month for those aged 19–35. Trybooking >>

PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION:

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH, MILL PARK

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, YEAR A

SUNDAY 17 MAY 2026

MAY: MONTH OF OUR LADY

Holy Rosary will be recited weekdays,
Monday to Friday at 8:30am before the
9:15am Mass in the Church.

AYA FELLOWSHIP

RETREAT DAY

“THE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS”

MUSIC BY

RSVP BY 28 MAY

TRYBOOKING

FREE EVENT

GUEST

SPEAKERS

SAT 30TH MAY

9:15 AM - 4:15 PM

RHEA JOHN

MUSICIAN

JOSEPHINE PLAZZER

DISCIPLESHIP SPECIALIST

FOR UNIVERSITIES

MIMI LEE

CATECHIST

PLAYGROUP - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Playgroup for ages 0–5, held weekly, mid-morning in the church foyer. More details to follow. Register your interest with Natalie - 0406 073 968, nsev1985@gmail.com

ALPHA RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

The Alpha raffle prize is 1 week at Club Wyndham Resort, Phillip Island, commencing Friday 25 September, in a 2 bedroom Villa that sleeps 4 people. Estimated value is \$3000. To be drawn Thursday 14th May.

Tickets for sale after weekend masses in the foyer
3 tickets for \$5. CASH/EFTPOS

MAN vs DUST

CLEANING SERVICES

YOUR CLEANING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

RAFFLE DONATIONS

Donations for our upcoming Dinner Dance raffle are greatly appreciated!

PARISH DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER 2026

SATURDAY 27TH OF JUNE, 6PM

Tickets now available from the Parish Office.

BOOK NOW! RSVP 12 JUNE!

ADULT'S TICKET

\$65

CHILDREN'S TICKET

(8 - 13 yrs) \$30

LITTLES' TICKET

(7 & under) \$5

Complimentary tea, coffee & water! Drinks for purchase.

TRYBOOKING

LIVE BAND - ALPA DJ - JOVAN

DINNER, DANCING & DESSERT

ONE FREE DRINK

Dress Code: Semi Formal/formal

ROSARY

PROCESSION

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

23 May

9:15am - Holy Mass, ending with Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration, Confession & Benediction

11:00am - Rosary Procession followed by morning tea.

saturday

BETHLEHEM OLIVEWOOD STALL

Church Foyer: May 23–24. Handcrafted religious items made by Catholic families in Bethlehem. With fewer pilgrims due to ongoing conflict, over 600 families rely on this work. Your purchase supports their livelihoods and helps sustain the Christian community in the Holy Land.

FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA

Saturday, 13 June | 6:15pm - 8:30pm

Rosary, Novena, Holy Mass, Candlelight Procession, Veneration of the Relic & Dinner

1226–2026

Franciscus

CELEBRATING 800 YEARS OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FRIARS WILL BE HOSTING A

2-DAY CONFERENCE

TO CELEBRATE THIS JUBILEE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS TO REFLECT UPON AND SHARE ABOUT THE AMAZING LIFE AND ENDURING LEGACY OF THIS GREAT SAINT.

30–31 MAY 2026

TO REGISTER

ST ANTHONY'S CAPUCHIN FRIARY CHURCH

182 POWER STREET HAWTHORN VIC 3122

(From time to time we will modify the sick list. If you prefer a person to remain on the list please contact the parish office.)
The newsletter will be available each week on our website www.melbcatholic.org/millpark

SUNDAY 17 MAY 2026

The Ascension of the Lord, Year A

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Acts 1:11

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? 'This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

V. Lord, have mercy. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
V. Christ, have mercy. **R. Christ, have mercy.**
V. Lord, have mercy. **R. Lord, have mercy.**

Or:

V. Kyrie, eleison. **R. Kyrie, eleison.**
V. Christe, eleison. **R. Christe, eleison.**
V. Kyrie, eleison. **R. Kyrie, eleison.**

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'
Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 46:2-3, 6-9. R. v. 6

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

- All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**
- God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**
- God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**

SECOND READING

Eph 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him.

May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 28:19,20

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including
'and became man', all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Or:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

COMMUNION RITE

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Or:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mt 28:20

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age,
alleluia.