



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN		FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT		17TH MARCH 2024	
PARISH PRIEST	Fr Anthony Girolami	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Zaher Almhnna		
DEACON	Deacon Jean Sebastien	PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Anh Tran - 9407 6720		
YOUTH MINISTER	Carmel Walsh - 9407 6704	PARISH/SCHOOL LIAISON	Ruth Lees - 9407 6703		
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR	Bernice Quinn - 9407 6700	PARISH BOOKKEEPER	Paul - 9407 6722		
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	Mark Basile - 9407 3100				
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 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 – 10:45 am concluding with Benediction				
VIGIL MASS:	1st Friday of the month 7:30 pm to Midnight Mass.		Next Mass: 5th April		
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.		Next Mass: 14th April		
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.		Next Mass: 20th April		
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7pm.		Next Mass: 20th April		
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Wednesday 6:30 am - 7:00 pm in the chapel.					
NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH: 1st Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am Mass.					
ANOINTING OF THE SICK: 2nd Wednesday of the month after 9:15am Mass.					
ST ANTHONY'S PRAYER GROUP MASS: Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.					
NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY (MALAYALAM): Every Tuesday at 6:30 pm.					
LEGION OF MARY: Every Thursday at 10:15 am in the church fellowship area. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.					
JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY: Every Wednesday at 3:30 pm during school terms in the fellowship area. Contact Jackie - 0422 443 324.					
WORD OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP: Every Friday at 7:00 pm in the chapel. Contact Nancy - 0434 559 352.					
PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP: Contact Regina - 0432 267 557 or Alfons and Helen Glatzel - 9404 2050.					
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Friday at 3:00 pm in the chapel and Thursday mornings after 9:15am Mass (during Lent only).					
AGAPE RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING: Resuming Sunday 4th February. Contact Gigimon - 0402 652 646.					
LIFE TEEN: Every Sunday during school terms after 5pm Mass. Contact Carmel at millpark.youthministry@cam.org.au for further details.					
JESUS YOUTH PRAYER GROUP: Every Thursday at 7 pm in the chapel. Contact Lovely - 0411 208 706.					
CATECHIST R.E. CLASSES: For all enquiries contact May Park at sfranciscatechist@gmail.com.					
MEN'S MEET & GREET GROUP: 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.					

PARISH NEWS

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS - Contributions can be dropped off between 9am and 5pm each day at the parish office.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES - Please remember to write the amount on the front of your thanksgiving envelopes.

PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION - The Cells All Leaders Meeting will be on this Tuesday, 19th March at 7:30 pm in the Small Hall or link in via Zoom.

EASTER TIMETABLE - Easter timetable cards are available to collect from the church foyer.

ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER - Archbishop Comensoli has written a letter regarding his visit to our parish which is available in the church foyer.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Celeste Peralta, Luigi Gaggiano, Bambino Di Domenica, Connie Butera.

IN MEMORIAM: Judex Coulon, Maureen Bordignon, George Tippets, Jean O'Sullivan, Michael Saliba.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Maeve Reardon, Greg Forrester, Anupiya Menikdiwela, Henrica Hanny, Peter Basile, Antonina Gangi, Gerard Mercovich, Suvie Lin, Jack Mercovich, Edna Cruz, Susan Yik

(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

Dear Parishioners,

Dear Parishioners, this weekend will conclude our parish offertory giving process. For those of you who have returned your pledge cards, thank you very much for doing so. For those who haven't returned your pledge cards as yet, you can return them in the offertory collections at Mass, at the designated boxes in the foyers of the Churches or to the parish office. There will also be generic pledge cards on the pews this weekend that can be filled out and returned straight away or at any time. Thank you for your faithful participation in our parish offertory process over the past few weeks. Each offering, no matter the amount, is an expression of love and gratitude to God. It is a testament to your faith and trust in His provision. We kindly remind those who have yet to take theirs to do so this weekend.

PLEASE NOTE: Although the pledge cards ask you to write your donation as a weekly amount, you may cross this out and write your preferred payment frequency.

Yours in Christ, Fr Anthony Girolami.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR 2025

Enrolments for 2025 are now being taken. You are invited to view our facilities and meet our staff and students. Applications close Friday 10th May 2024.

2024 OPEN DAY

Saturday 23rd March 9:00 am - 11:30 am

2024 SCHOOL TOURS

Tours are conducted every Tuesday at 9:30 am throughout terms 1 & 2 - bookings essential. Please call the office to arrange a suitable time.

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The Legion of Mary Preston Curia Acies will be held on Saturday 23rd March starting from 11:30am at St Francis of Assisi, Mill Park. After the ceremony we'll have Holy Mass. The Acies is the annual event where legionaries renew their Consecration to Our Lady. All are welcome. God bless.

Divine Mercy Novena during lent will recited on Thursday mornings after the 9:15 am mass and every Friday afternoon at 3 pm in the chapel.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS / PASSION PLAY

Stations of the Cross with a live Passion Play will take place on Good Friday at 9:30 am starting near the Small Hall. More people are needed to take part in the Passion Play. Contact the Parish Office on 9407 6700.

A Charismatic Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 21st March at St Thomas the Apostle Church, 251 Diamond Ck Rd, Nth Greensborough. The evening will commence with praise and worship at 7.30pm, followed by Mass at 8pm. Supper provided. The evening will also be in celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Catholic School of Evangelisation (CSOE). All welcome. For further details, please contact Rose 0411 650 339 or Emilia 0418 120 902.

ALPHA IS COMING!

The next Alpha Course will run in Term 2, 2024, starting 11th April.

Explore questions of life and faith and make new friendships at Alpha! Alpha is an exciting refresher course in the Christian faith.

The Alpha Course in 2024 will start on Thursday, 11th April, and run for ten Thursdays, to be held in St Francis Hall.

Alpha will start at 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm.

Enquiries: 9407 6700.

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/CPYNW>



ST JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY

The Legion of Mary will host a rosary at 8:45 am on St Joseph's Feast Day, Tuesday 19th March, and there will be morning tea after Mass.

FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA

The Nine Weeks Mass and Novena to St Anthony of Padua begins on the 9th of April, continuing all Tuesdays and concluding on the 4th of June with 7 pm Malayalam Mass followed by Novena to St Anthony and Benediction. The Feast of St Anthony will be celebrated on Friday 7th June beginning at 6 pm with Rosary, St Anthony's Novena and Mass in English at 7 pm. Following Mass there will be a candle lit procession, Veneration of the Relic of St Anthony and dinner in the St Francis of Assisi hall. The relic of St Anthony will be coming from Padua. All welcome.



COME AND CELEBRATE THE 24TH WORLDWIDE

DIVINE MERCY
Sunday

7TH
APRIL
2024



1:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Confessions
Holy Rosary
2:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Benediction
3:00 pm Holy Mass
Blessing of the Divine Mercy Image
Blessing of Religious articles

NINE DAY DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

The Novena of Chaplets to the Divine Mercy will commence after Solemn Liturgy on Good Friday and continues through to Holy Saturday.

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Main Celebrant - MOST REVEREND BISHOP TERENCE CURTIN