



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN		FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT		10TH 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: 10th March		
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.		Next Mass: 16th March		
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 after Thursday morning 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 Executive Meeting will be on this Tuesday, 12th March at 7:30 pm in the Community Room.					
PLEASE PRAY FOR					
RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Tony Kelly Csr, Sally Pardo, Wilkie Mascarenhas, Stanley Devadass.					
IN MEMORIAM: Anna Altavilla, Anna Caruana.					
THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Lez Meyers, David Wallace, Sharon Barber, Maeve Reardon, Greg Forrester, Anupiya Menikdiwela, Henrica Hanny, Peter Basile, Antonina Gangi, Gerard Mercovich, Suvie Lin, Jack Mercovich.					
(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, thank you to everyone who promptly collected their offertory giving envelopes last weekend. However, we kindly remind those who have yet to retrieve theirs to do so this weekend. Additionally, for those who wish to submit their filled-out pledge cards, you have several convenient options: you may place them in the collections during Mass, drop them off at the parish office, or deposit them into the designated box located in the foyer. Thank you for your ongoing dedication and generosity.

Yours in Christ, Fr Anthony Girolami.

Fourth Sunday of Lent 9 & 10 March



As the eldest child in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, Memory faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

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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On Fridays during Lent Stations of Cross will follow the morning Mass and also be held at 7 pm followed



ALPHA IS COMING!

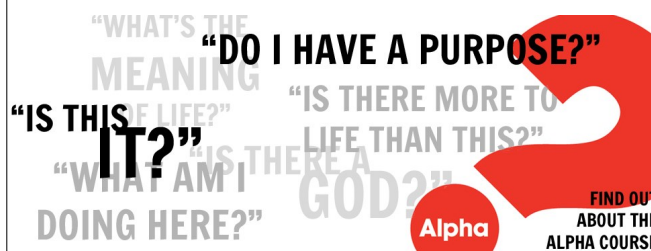
The next Alpha Course will run in Term 2, 2024, starting 11th April.

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>



I would like to thank you for your prayers for Vocations over the years. We were delighted to accept eight men to the Seminary for Melbourne this year: Chinh Tran, Rohan Prince, Luke Kennedy, Luke Emslie, Tung Phan, Joseph Maae, Patrick Harris and Mathews Noble.

Many of you have personally helped and encouraged these men along their journey to apply to join the Seminary; it truly is a team effort! Please continue to pray for them!

In Christ, Fr Dishan and the Vocations Team.

QUESTION EVERYTHING

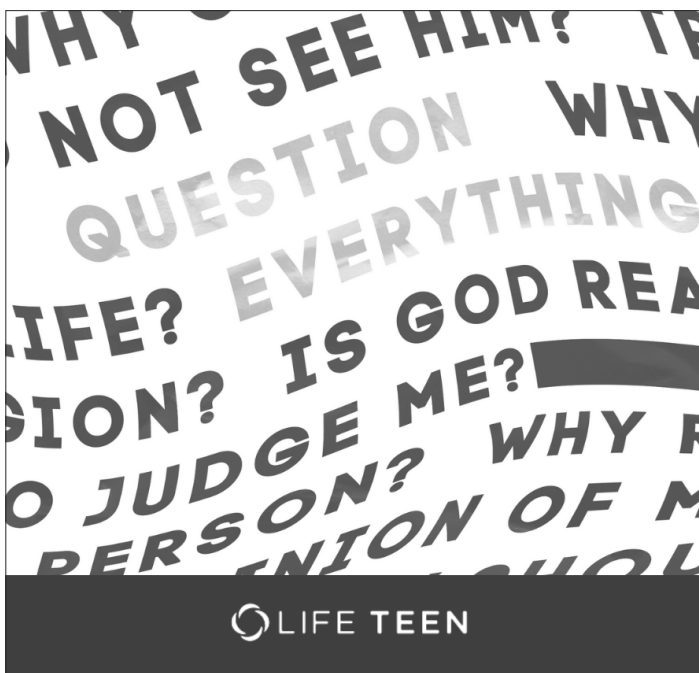
A Life Night Series on Objections to the Church

What are some Objections to embracing the Catholic Faith

- 1) The Existence of God
- 2) Organised Religion
- 3) Hypocrisy, Judgement and Tolerance
- 4) Suffering

Question Everything is a series that encourages questions and thoughtfully explores four significant obstacles to fully embracing our Catholic faith. It addresses the process of questioning as a springboard to grow in our knowledge of God's love and trust in the Catholic Church, which He established.

Time: 4 Session Series: Sunday 6pm - 7:45pm weekly
Age:12-19 years. Contact: Carmel Walsh 0432 302 672



LIFE TEEN