



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

15TH MARCH 2026

PARISH PRIEST	Fr Francis Denton	ASSISTANT PRIEST	Fr Simeon Anthony
YOUTH MINISTER	Michelle Biju - 9407 6704	PASTORAL ASSOCIATE	Sr Rodelia Bordan - 9407 6720
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR	Maree Chamoun - 9407 6700	PARISH/SCHOOL LIAISON	Ruth Lees - 9407 6703
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL	Mark Basile - 9407 3100	PARISH BOOKKEEPER	Paul - 9407 6722
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: 3 rd April	
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass: 12 th April	
MALTESE MASS:	3 rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass: 21 st March	
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3 rd Saturday of the month at 7pm.	Next Mass: 21 st March	
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: During Lent Wednesdays 10 am - 6pm in the chapel.			
NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH: 1st Wednesday of the month after 9:15 am 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 10:00 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			
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Friday at 3:00 pm in the chapel and Friday mornings after 9:15am Mass.			
AGAPE RENEWAL PRAYER MEETING: Contact Jigimon - 0402 652 646.			
JESUS YOUTH YOUNG ADULTS PRAYER MEETING : Every Thursday at 7 pm in the chapel. Contact Irene K. Jacob - 0481 829 529			
CATECHIST R.E. CLASSES: For all enquiries contact May Park at stfranciscatechist@gmail.com.			
MEN'S MEET & GREET GROUP: 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm (Small Hall).			
MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN: Every Monday night 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Church fellowship area.			
LIFE TEEN: Every Sunday during the school terms 6 -7:45pm for those in high-school. Contact Michelle at the Parish Office 9407 6700			
AYA FELLOWSHIP: Young Adults aged 19-35. Every Last Saturday of the Month. Contact the Parish Office 9407 6700			
CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 10:30am Mass. All pre-school and lower to middle primary school children are welcome.			

PARISH NEWS

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

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: There will be **NO Cells All Leaders Meeting this Tuesday.**
SUGGESTION BOX: All suggestions with full names & Phone No included will be considered. (Location: Church Foyer)
HOUSE BLESSINGS: To invite our clergy to visit and bless your house, please fill in the card in the church foyer.
ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: 1st Saturday of every month (except school holidays), meeting in the church foyer.
PRAYER COMPANIONS: prayers for people after Mass in the Chapel after 9 am & 10.30 am Masses.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DECEASED: Domenico Marrone

IN MEMORIAM: Lorraine Ring

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Keith Lambert, Pierce Ng, Angus Santosa, Fr Anthony Fox, Julieta Bordan, Kim Ki Tan, Greg Forrester, Nancy Gheno, Caterina Schiavello, Cliff Aquilina, David Wallace, Fr Terry Kean.

(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

LENTEN HIKE AT BACCHUS MARSH: "A JOURNEY OF FAITH"

Join us for a spiritual adventure this Lent! Come together with fellow youth for a meaningful Lenten Hike to Bacchus Marsh at **Our Lady of Ta'Pinu**, accompanied by Fr Simeon Anthony.

9:30am: Sign in at the Parish Hall
10:15am: Departure
11:00am: Arrival & Walking Way of the Cross
11:45am: Confessions
12:30pm: Holy Mass
1:30pm: Lunch
2:00pm: Visit Marian Chapels
2:30pm: Departure
4:00pm: Pick up at the Parish Hall

Lunch provided

Transport:

- **Life Teen:** cars organised by Life Teen for under 18s.
- **AYA: Assisi Young Adults:** Transport to be organised within the young adults group.



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FREE EVENT BOOK NOW

RSVP FRI 20

CONFESSIONS FOR LENT

Monday 8:30am – 9:00am
Tuesday 8:30am – 9:00am
Wednesday 8:30am – 9:00am
8:30pm – 9:30pm
(After the 7:30pm Novena Mass)
Thursday 8:30am – 9:00am
Friday 8:30am – 9:00am
Saturday 9:45am – 10:30am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday Mornings 9:15 am Holy Mass followed by Stations.

Friday Evenings 7 pm Stations, followed by Holy Mass.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Mon - Fri 8am - 9am

No Wednesday adoration in the chapel during lent.



AYA: ASSISI YOUNG ADULTS Sat 28th March 6pm,
Church Foyer | Prayer, Adoration, Lectio Divina, Fellowship.
All those aged 19-35 are welcome.

Catechist Classes 2026

Religious Education Classes for children outside the Catholic School System. **Scan for Try Booking**

The following classes are offered:

- Pre-Sacramental - Children in Years Prep, One or Two
- First Reconciliation - Minimum Year Three level
- First Eucharist - Students who have already received First Reconciliation
- Confirmation - Minimum Year Six level who have already received First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026

- Tuesday July 14th
Classes resume for all students for the duration of Term 3 (4:15pm - 5:00pm)
 - Tuesday 15th September Reconciliation at 4pm
 - Sunday 20th September First Eucharist at 2pm
 - Saturday 7th November Confirmation at 11:30am
- For Enquires:** May Park, Parish Office 9407 6700



PALMS DONATIONS

Decorations & Blessing of the Palms
If you would like to donate palms for Palm Sunday - 29th March.

Please call the parish office to arrange a **drop off on Friday 27th**. A **warm thank you** to those who have assisted in previous years.



God and Beer
Monday 16th March

The Social Reign of Christ the King

Fr Brendan Arthur

@ The Nott

GodandBeer.com.au



FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

Organised by the Legion of Mary

The **Holy Rosary** will be recited at **8:30am** during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the following upcoming feast days:
17th March - Saint Patrick
19th March - Saint Joseph
25th March - Feast of the Annunciation



THE ALPHA COURSE

16 April 7pm

St Francis Parish Hall

TRYBOOKING



"MY CHRISTIAN FAITH IS THE BACKBONE OF MY LIFE"
Bear Grylls

PARISH PASSION PLAY

Stations of the Cross with a live Passion Play will take place on Good Friday at 9:30 am. **Volunteers** are needed for most roles. **Rehearsals** Thursday 7pm starting March 5th, Church rear carpark. Please call Brian - 0478 323 646.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT

Enrolments for 2027 are now being taken. You are invited to view our facilities and meet our staff and students. Applications close Friday 8th May 2026.

OPEN DAY Sat 28 March 9am - 11:30 am

Tours are conducted every Tuesday at 9:30 am throughout terms 1 & 2 - bookings essential. Please call the office to arrange a suitable time. 9407 3100