



St Francis of Assisi Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8TH FEB 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: 6 th March	
FILIPINO MASS:	2nd Sunday of the month at 12 noon.	Next Mass: 8 th March	
MALTESE MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. Confession 3:30. Rosary 3:40.	Next Mass: 21 st February	
INDONESIAN FAMILY GROUP MASS:	3rd Saturday of the month at 7pm.	Next Mass: 21 st March	
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 10:00 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			

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: The Cells All Executive Meeting will be on this Tuesday, 10th February, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Nook.

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: Joveth Santiago

IN MEMORIAM: Gordon O'Rouke

THOSE WHO ARE ILL: 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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a first week it has been?! Already I am beginning to have a sense of how much happens in this parish: the RCIA and sacramental preparation; the abundance of prayer groups; the Cells, youth and young adult groups; the pastoral outreach to the sick and the life of the Parish Primary School. Amid the busyness I have had the opportunity to meet some of the very many parishioners that make up our parish family. I've been overwhelmed by the warmth of the welcome I have received, and the genuineness of those who have already come forward with offers to help out in any way that needed. One thing is clear: I will not be alone in serving this parish. This is indeed a vast ship, but there's no shortage of 'hands on deck'!

From my heart I thank you for making me feel so welcome as we set out on this great adventure together!

Yours in Christ,
Fr Francis Denton P.P

WELCOMING SEMINARIAN YOUSIF ALKATEB



We warmly welcome seminarian, Yousif Alkateb, who is studying for the priesthood at Corpus Christi College in Melbourne. As part of his training, Yousif will be completing a pastoral placement at our parish. We look forward to him joining us in the coming weeks and we ask you to please keep him in your prayers.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy will be held during the Sunday 10:30am Mass. Children are invited to come forward for a blessing after the Opening Prayer. All pre-school and lower to middle primary school children are welcome. Pre-school children must be accompanied by an adult.

MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN



Recommencing on the **16th of February 2026**. There will be weekly gatherings on Mondays from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the church foyer. **All women are invited!** Enquires: 9407 6700

LEGION OF MARY SUMMER SCHOOL 2026

Celebrate the 800th anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's death with prayer, Mass, adoration, and inspiring talks. Speakers include *Fr Stephen Bliss OFM, Fr Isaac Zaki, Anna Krohn, Fr Thomas McFadden OFM Cap, Fr Justin Ford, and Bridget Sakr*. Explore the Franciscan legacy, the power of peace and faith, and the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church and the world. A weekend of reflection, learning, and spiritual growth.



14-15 February Registration at 9AM
Magnificat House, North Melb
Ph: +61 3 9328 4757 www.legionofmary.net.au

AYA: ASSISI YOUNG ADULTS FELLOWSHIP



Sat 28th Feb 6pm, Church Foyer
Prayer, Adoration, Lectio Divina, Fellowship. All those aged 19-35 are welcome.



St. Francis of Assisi Parish Primary School

2026 OPEN DAYS

You are invited to view our facilities and to meet our Staff and Students

Saturday 28 February 2026 9 am – 11.30 am

Saturday 28 March 2026 9 am – 11.30 am

2026 SCHOOL TOURS

Tours are conducted every second Tuesday at 9.30 am throughout Terms 1 & 2

Bookings are essential
Please call the office on 9407 3100 to arrange a suitable time

Applications close on Friday 08 May 2026

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LIFE TEEN RECOMENCES 22 FEB 2026

St Francis of Assisi - Youth Ministry

An international Catholic movement which aims to lead teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

The Life Teen Curriculum provides 6-8 week semester topics, providing systematic and complete catechesis for teenagers. By attending each Sunday evening's "Life Night" sessions, teens will cover a variety of catechesis topics, gaining a comprehensive understanding of the Catholic faith while building Christ-centred friendships.

Life Teen was established at St Francis of Assisi in 2002. All youth aged 13-18 are welcome during the school term!

5 PILLARS OF LIFE TEEN

Eucharistic Centred

Sacraments

Catechesis (Catholic Teaching)

Marian Devotion

Fellowship



Meeting Weekly Sundays, 6pm - 7:45pm

Youth Minister: Michelle Biju 9407 6700