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St Ita's Church
 (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Monday to Friday: 6.15am
 Saturday (Vigil): 6pm
 Sunday: 8.00am
 10.30am (Indonesian)
St Francis' Church
 (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am
Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am
 (Anointing of the sick: 1st Sunday and upon request.)
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 Saturday 9.30am monthly
 1st Saturday St Francis'
 2nd Saturday St Mary's
 3rd Saturday St Ita's
 Family preparation sessions are held at St Ita's church on the first Thursday night of each month at 6.30pm
CONFESSION TIMES
 Saturday
 St Ita's: 5-5.50pm
 (or upon request 30 mins before or after mass)
MASS TIMES AT ST MARY'S
 (20 Merivale St., South Brisbane)
 Monday to Friday: 7am
 Saturday: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm
 Confession: Sat 8.30-9.30am;
 Sun 4-4.45pm
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NEWSLETTER

5th Sunday of Lent (Year A)
2nd April 2017

Dear Parishioners
 In the Gospel of John, there are seven signs to show that Jesus is God. Today, we have the final sign and it comes from the account of Jesus' raising of Lazarus to new life. This Gospel passage is often used at funerals, mainly because it speaks about death and resurrection. It gives us hope that life does not finish at the grave but continues after death.
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 What I like about this reading is that it gives us a range of human emotions. Martha's frustration - "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." Jesus' reassurance - "Your brother will rise." Mary's deep sorrow. Even Christ's own emotions, as he weeps for someone he loves.
 But the most powerful emotion may be astonishment, as what seems impossible becomes possible, as life is restored to the dead. Disbelief becomes belief. Doubt is transformed into faith.
 And it begins with Christ's dramatic call to his friend: "Lazarus here! Come out!"
 And when I read these words of Christ, spoken to his dead friend, I can't help but think that he is addressing them not just to Lazarus, but to all of us.
 Christ is saying to us: "My friend, come out." Come out from your personal tomb. Come out from sin. Leave what is familiar, and dark, and dead. Come out. And I will restore you to life.
 The tears that Christ shed for Lazarus are ones he sheds for all of us who are buried in caves of human weakness and sin. And so he calls to us. And he beckons us - not with a whisper, but with a cry. "Come out!" Have we heard him? Have we answered him?
 The best way to leave our sin behind is by going to confession. The Season of Lent is an invitation to take another step closer to the Lord and transform our lives by unburdening ourselves of the barrier(s) that we have put up between ourselves and the Lord.
 (PS we have two days for reconciliation: 6-7pm, Monday 10th April at St Francis, and 6-7pm, Wednesday 12th April at St Mary's, 6-7pm.)
 Christ's final words in the gospel are words of quiet but profound hope: "Untie him and let him go." Like Lazarus, we stand before God - bandaged, wounded, tied with our own personal burial cloths. We are prisoners, bound by brokenness. But he wants us to be free. He wants us to breathe again. To live again. To walk again in the Light.
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Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 42: 1-2

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

First reading Ezekiel 37:12-14

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 129:1-8

Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second reading Romans 8:8-11

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

Gospel Acclamation John 11:25. 26

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel John 11:1-45

There was a man named Lazarus who lived in the village of Bethany with the two sisters, Mary and Martha, and he was ill. It was the same Mary, the sister of the sick man Lazarus, who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' The disciples said, 'Rabbi, it is not long since the Jews wanted to stone you; are you going back again?' Jesus replied:

'Are there not twelve hours in the day?
A man can walk in the daytime without stumbling because he has the light of this world to see by; but if he walks at night he stumbles, because there is no light to guide him.'

He said that and then added, 'Our friend Lazarus is resting, I am going to wake him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he is able to rest he is sure to get better.' The phrase Jesus used referred to the death of Lazarus, but they thought that by 'rest' he meant 'sleep', so Jesus put it plainly, 'Lazarus is dead; and for your sake I am glad I was not there because now you will believe. But let us go to him.' Then Thomas - known as the Twin - said to the other disciples, 'Let us go too, and die with him.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.
If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in a low voice, 'The Master is here and wants to see you.' Hearing this, Mary got up quickly and went to him. Jesus had not yet come into the village; he was still at the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were in the house sympathising with Mary saw her get up so quickly and go out, they followed her, thinking that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

Mary went to Jesus, and as soon as she saw him she threw herself at his feet, saying, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' At the sight of her tears, and those of the Jews who followed her, Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.
I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

Communion Antiphon cf. John 11:26

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Is 50:4-7; **2nd reading:** Phil 2:6-11; **Gospel:** Mt 26:14-27:66

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Parish Office Closure

The Parish Office will be **closed for one week** from Monday the 3rd of April.

The office will re-open on Monday April 10 at 9am.
Apologies for the inconvenience.

This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 3rd:

R/ Though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Tuesday 4th:

R/ O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.

Wednesday 5th:

R/ Glory and praise to you for ever!

Thursday 6th:

R/ The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Friday 7th:

R/ In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice.

Saturday 8th:

R/ The Lord will guard us, like a shepherd guarding his flock.

TWO MINUTE CATECHISM

Q: "At what point of the Mass when someone arrives after it has started, is it too late to receive Holy Communion?"

A: there is no right answer to this question.

Attending Holy Mass means accepting the Lord Jesus' invitation to participate in His great Banquet. It is like responding to a King's invitation to join him at a feast. Such an invitation means being there to eat a five course meal that includes the soup, the appetizer, the salad, the dinner or main entree, and the dessert. Would it be polite to arrive late? Would it be polite to tell the King that you do not care for the soup and/or the appetizer? Or would it be polite to skip the dessert and leave early? All of these behaviours would be rude.

To arrive late at Mass is not just a matter of fulfilling one's Sunday obligation, it is an act of love and respect for the Lord Jesus who is gathering His children to share in the great moment during the Holy Mass when He will become physically present among the faithful. Each and every part of the Holy Mass is important, inseparable from one another.

Prior to Vatican II, some theologians taught that arrival before the offertory was necessary to fulfil one's Sunday obligation. The Catholic Church no longer supports this teaching. Its emphasis is now on the overall unity of the Holy Mass.

If one has a valid reason for arriving late, such as not being a regular habit, then the Lord may excuse him/her. This may be because of unexpected road conditions, a severe storm, waiting for a train to clear the tracks, etc... But if arriving late means arriving at Church after the consecration, in truth, one has not attended Holy Mass, should not receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, and if on a Sunday (and if it is possible), he/she should go to another Mass.

If you arrive late for Holy Mass, ask yourself with a sincere heart if you should receive Holy Communion? You be the judge of the matter before God. If sharing in the Lord's Banquet means something to you, then you should be there from the entrance procession at the beginning of the Holy Mass to the final dismissal at the end of the service.

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Congratulation Bishop-elect Ken Howell

Congratulations to Bishop-elect Ken Howell. Fr Howell was named the seventh auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane this week and will serve alongside Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Fr Howell was the Parish Administrator of the South Brisbane Parish from 2009 till 2012. The Parish wishes Bishop-elect Howell many blessing for his new appointment.

Chrism Mass—Thursday 6th April at 7pm

Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen. This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese and all are welcome!



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2017 Easter Triduum Mass Times

Monday 10th April

6 -7pm Confession (1st Rite) **(St Francis')**

Wednesday 12th April

6 -7pm Confession (1st Rite) **(St Mary's)**

Holy Thursday: 13th April

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Night Prayer **(St Mary's)**

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Night Prayer **(St Francis')**

Good Friday: 14th April

9am Stations of the Cross followed by Confession **(St Mary's)**

10am Stations of the Cross followed by Confession **(St Francis')**

3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion **(St Mary's)**

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Holy Saturday: 15th April

6pm Easter Vigil Mass **(St Ita's)**

7pm Easter Vigil Mass **(St Mary's)**

Easter Sunday: 16th April

7am Mass **(Fairfield)**

*** No 8am Mass at St Ita's on Easter Sunday ***

9am Mass **(St Francis')**

9am Mass **(St Mary's)**

5pm Mass **(St Mary's)**

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Divine Mercy Sunday at St Mary's—23rd April 2017

Come and celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy:

3.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Rosary, Readings from the Diary of St Faustina, Adoration, Confession (3 Priests)

5.00pm Parish Mass



Our Lord said to St. Faustina:

"The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary 699)

"When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy." (Diary 1602)

PS Divine Mercy Novena starts on Good Friday.

Stations of the Cross

Friday night during Lent from 7.00pm at St Francis Church

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