

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter

The ASCENSION of the LORD
1st June 2025



While blessing them, he was taken to heaven.

If you were with us last week, you would have heard about the new priest joining our Parish, Fr Francisco Evangelista. Soon enough, we will hear his story when the time is right. Until then, let me explain what this means for Amalgamation and moving forward.

One of the tasks under the banner of Amalgamation was the changing of Mass Times. With the inclusion of Fr Francisco, there's no urgency to move ahead with the changes. We are afforded an opportunity to sit with the question a little longer, but that conversation will unfold in time.

I want to briefly draw our attention today to the second reading from the letter to the Hebrews because it forms what we understand about the Eucharist. The Institution Narrative, which is the story of Jesus Last Supper, begins our Eucharistic prayer. It starts off with 'for on the night he was betrayed...' and then we go into the narrative. After which, we call to mind the sacrifice of the cross. As these words are prayed by the priest, the moment of Jesus on the cross, where blood was poured out for us, is made present. The word we use here is 'Re-Presented' which is to say: presented again.

Now there's a slight nuance here because Jesus is not dying again on the cross for us, but the one death on the cross that Jesus suffered all those years ago, is presented to us as we celebrate the Eucharist. The sacrifice of the cross was such a profound moment in history that it resounds in the worship and celebration of every Mass - 'by his wounds we are healed (Isa 53:5).'

God who is outside of space and time, who dwells in another dimension to us, makes this presentation possible through the power of the Holy Spirit. This is the true nature and power of Jesus' death on the cross. If we truly understood the sacrifice that Christ suffered for us, a world of spirituality and appreciation would open to us.

It is for this reason I present to you these spiritual realities at work within the Mass. It might go by quickly depending on the Celebrant, but I urge you friends, to dive deeply into the mystery of the celebration and call to account your focus especially during this time of the Mass.

It makes sense that you would feel tired after the Mass because it requires full and active participation as the Church instructs of us in Sacrosanctum Concilium.

May this Mass be a time of renewal and restoration for you, through the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross poured out for us on the Table of the Altar.

Fr William

The community of St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our Churches stand.

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Welcome to new Parishoners

We welcome any new Parishoners among us. Take the time to meet with our priests and get connected to the broader community.



Embracing the communities of:

St Mary's, South Brisbane,
St Francis of Assisi, West End
St Ita's, Dutton Park

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Fairfield

Readings at Mass

The ASCENSION of the LORD

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First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 46(47):2-3, 6-9

**R/ God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. **R/**

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R/**

God is king of all the earth
sing praise with all your skill
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne. **R/**

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself..

Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

In other words, brothers, through the blood of Jesus we have the right to enter the sanctuary, by a new way which he has opened for us, a living opening through the curtain, that is to say, his body. And we have the supreme high priest over all the house of God. So as we go in, let us be sincere in heart and filled with faith, our minds sprinkled and free from any trace of bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us keep firm in the hope we profess, because the one who made the promise is faithful.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go, make disciples of all the nations.

I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples:

'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.



Next Sunday Readings:

Gen 11: 1-9, Ps 103: 1-2, 24, 27-30, 35
Rom 8: 22-27, Jn 7: 37-39



Upcoming Events & News

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The Romero Centre is a ministry of the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane

welcome walk
Supporting people seeking asylum

No one should walk alone

Sunday 15th June, 1pm | Orleigh Park, West End

The Welcome Walk is the Romero Centre's major annual fundraising appeal and a fantastic opportunity to welcome people seeking asylum in Brisbane.

to find out more, please scan the QR CODE



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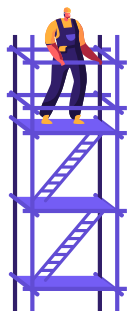
Our weekends for this year are at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston Starting Friday evening 4th July at 7pm and concluding approx 4pm with Mass Sunday 6th July 25. The 2nd is 17th October until Sunday 19th October 2025. Please contact Liesha and Joseph on 0481 307 821 or qldbookings@wwme.org.au Watch Archbishop Mark Coleridge support video http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4o_Wp6qGB44 or for more information go to the website: www.wwme.org.au.



Upcoming Paint Work at St Mary's



Please be advised that painting works will be taking place at St Mary's Church toward the end of May. The work will include freshening up some areas of the church buildings, so you may notice scaffolding, paint equipment, and restricted access in certain spots during this time.



🙏 We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to keep our church looking beautiful and welcoming for all.

We pray for the children being confirmed, that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit and grow in faith.



Siena	Xiana
Andres	Jasper
Gwen	Tamia
Jake	Aiden
Xavier	Ashton
Jack	Joseph
Deyan	Elijah
Andriamanalina	Sofia
Marina	Francine
Francis	Isla
Eva	Eve
Angela	Jobe
Arlo	Cecelia
Austin	Grace

Parish Amalgamation Update:

Thank You for Your Feedback



We appreciate everyone who shared thoughts on our Parish name and Mass times. To find out more, please scan the QR CODE.

Don't miss our next Youth Group!

St Ita's Primary School

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JUNE, 2025



Come join us!

A few notes:

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

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ST MARY'S

20 Merivale St, South Brisbane

- Mon-Fri: 7am | Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
- Sun: 9am & 5pm

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

47 Dornoch Tce, West End

- Sun: 9am

ST ITA'S

247 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park

- Sat(Vigil): 5pm
- Sun: 10:30am (Indonesian)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

72 Victoria St Fairfield

- Sun: 7am

CONFESSIONS**St Mary's**

Fri: 7:30-8am | Sat 8:30am-9am
Sun: 4:15pm-4:45pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES**BAPTISMS**

- Sat: 10am

****Booking is essential****

Contact Parish Office 07 3324 3736

PRAYER & ADORATION

- Tue: 6:30pm - St Mary's Church
- Sun: 4pm - St Mary's Church

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

- Sat: after 8am Mass until Sundays 8:30am

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

- 1st Fri - 7am - St Mary's Church
- 1st Sat - 5pm - St Ita's Church
- 1st Sun - 7am - OLPS Fairfield

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (SCHOOL TERM ONLY)

- Sun: 9am - St Mary's Church

ST FRANCIS TABLE - MINISTRY TO THE ELDERLY

- 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am - 1pm

Have you considered Planned Giving?

Many parishioners use Direct Debit for 'Planned Giving' to support the upkeep of the parish of Dutton Park & South Brisbane.

We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to our planned giving program.

Please Contact the Parish 07 3324 3736 if you are interested.

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No excuse for abuse

St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish have zero tolerance for abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in their activities, ministries and service. The safety of children and adults at risk is paramount.

To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550

For more information visit:

www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding