



Embracing the communities of:  
St Mary's South Brisbane,  
St Francis of Assisi West End,  
St Ita's Dutton Park and  
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Fairfield



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

## Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st September 2024 - Year B

In Mark 7:1-23, Jesus challenges the religious leaders of His time, the Pharisees and scribes, pointing out the danger of focusing solely on external rituals of ceremonial purity while neglecting the true state of the heart. He emphasises that true defilement comes not from external sources but from within—from the thoughts, attitudes, and desires that reside in the heart. Jesus warns against honouring God with words alone while the heart remains distant, highlighting the emptiness of religious practices disconnected from genuine love and righteousness.

Reflecting on this passage, I am reminded of a story:

Two monks were journeying together and came to a river with a strong current. As they prepared to cross, they saw a young woman standing by the riverbank, hesitant to enter the water. She asked for their help to cross.

The older monk, who had taken a vow not to touch women, hesitated but decided to help her. He carried her across the river and set her down on the other side, continuing his journey in silence.

The younger monk, troubled by what he had witnessed, brooded in silence for miles. Finally, unable to contain himself, he said, "Brother, how could you carry that woman? We have vowed to avoid any physical contact with women."

The older monk replied calmly, "Brother, I set her down on the other side of the river. Why are you still carrying her?"

This story illustrates how we can become so fixated on external rules and appearances that we miss the deeper principles of love, compassion, and service. The younger monk was so focused on the outward rule that he overlooked the compassion behind his elder's actions. Similarly, Jesus teaches us to look beyond mere rituals and focus on the purity of our hearts and intentions. May this reflection inspire us to pursue a faith that is not merely external but deeply internal, where our words and actions truly reflect a heart that seeks after God. As we walk in this truth, we will honour God not just with our lips but with lives that are fully devoted to Him.

*Fr. Ravi*

### Welcome to New Parishioners

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

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- **Assistant Priest:** Fr. Ravi Koyya

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**First reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8**

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

**Responsorial Psalm:**

***The just will live in the presence of the Lord.***

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart **R/**

He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear in the Lord. **R/**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
who talks no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R/**

**Second reading: James 1:17-18,21-22,27**

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,  
that we might be as the first fruit of his creation.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23**

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other

observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

**Communion Antiphon:**

O lord, how great is the depth of the kindness which you have shown to those who love you.

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**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**1st reading:** Isaiah 35:4-7

**2nd reading:** James 2:1-5

**Gospel:** Mark 7:31-37

**THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses**

**Monday 2nd: Ordinary Time 22**

*Lord, I love your commands.*

**Tuesday 3rd: St Gregory the Great**

*The Lord is just in all his ways.*

**Wednesday 4th: Ordinary Time 22**

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

**Thursday 5th: Ordinary Time 22**

*To the Lord belongs the earth and all that fills it.*

**Friday 6th: Ordinary Time 22**

*The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.*

**Saturday 7th: Ordinary Time 22**

*The Lord is near to all who call him.*

**MASS TIMES**

**St Ita's** (Pope St, Dutton Park)

- Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
- Sunday: 10.30am (Indonesian)

**Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**

(68 Victoria St, Fairfield)

- Sunday: 7am

**St Francis of Assisi** (47 Dornoch Tce, West End)

- Sunday: 9am

**St Mary's** (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)

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

**CONFESSION**

**St Mary's:**

Fri: 7.30am-8am | Sat: 8.30am-9am | Sun: 4.15-4.45pm

### ARE YOU A YOUNG ADULT?

Reclaim is a monthly young adult event hosted by a collaboration of ministries in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. It's a place for young adults to come together, hear excellent Catholic input and be empowered to have a heart for Jesus and the mission of his Church!

**Next Reclaim is Tuesday 3rd September  
7pm at ECM**

(10A Cordelia St, South Brisbane QLD 4101)  
More details @reclaimbne

### PARISH EXCURSION TO TOowoomba

We have had an amazing response to the Parish excursion to Toowoomba on the 14th of September. Our bus is currently at capacity. If you have pre-registered, please come to the Parish Office to pay in cash during office hours, or you can pay via online bank transfer.



### ST FRANCIS YOUTH

Before the school holidays kicks off, don't miss our final youth group for the term on the 13th of September. If you're in grades 7-12, come join us for a fun-filled evening. It's a great chance to hang out, make new friends, have free food and enjoy some topics about the faith. We'd love to see you there!

**Next youth group: Friday 13th September  
6-8pm St Ita's Church, Dutton Park**

### INVITATION TO HEALING MASS

All are welcome to attend a healing Mass at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 6th September, 2024 at 7.30pm. Supper will be provided. Contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or by email to lenpatairey@gmail.com

### ARCHDIOCESAN PASTORAL MINISTRIES

A Catholic Mental Wellbeing morning is held weekly on a Wednesday morning at 58 Morgan Steet, The Valley. Participants who would enjoy a morning of companionship, reflection and prayer, and to celebrate Mass followed by a light lunch are most welcome to attend. For more details please contact Judy Norris Ph 3324 3193 or email judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or anyone you know, is interested in becoming Catholic, we're inviting you to register your interest for the RCIA Program. **Sessions will begin on the 14th September.**

### HOST THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE MAY - OCTOBER

Invite the Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home and enrich the spiritual life of your family. During its visit, we encourage you to commit to praying the Rosary daily, embracing this time for reflection and connection with Our Lady. To arrange a visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin statue, please contact the Parish Office.



### Support St Francis' Table through Containers for change

If you wish to support St Francis' Table Ministry through the **Containers For Change**, please use this account number **C11452798** when you depositing your containers. Thank you for your support!

### ARCHDIOCESAN MULTICULTURAL MASS

On Sunday afternoon, over 1200 people including 9 choirs, 19 concelebrating clergy, 14 altar servers and over 20 cultural communities gathered for the annual Archdiocese of Brisbane Multicultural Mass. It was a magnificent, vibrant celebration, and this year we were hosted by the Cộng Đồng Công Giáo Việt Nam TGP Brisbane community at their brand new Queen of Vietnamese Martyrs Church in Inala.



### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We are coming to the end of this year's Sacramental Program. Next week, our dedicated children will celebrate the sacred sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion for the first time. Please join us in praying for these young members as they take this significant step in their faith journey.



### ST MARY'S CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Many thanks to all who have supported the restoration of St Mary's Church over past years. There is still an opportunity to sponsor a Perpetual Pew. This provides a way to not only remember your loved ones but also assists with the funding of our restoration projects.



To sponsor a pew; \$1,000 for short pews. Engraved in Perpetuity "In Memory of ...." or "In Honour of ....".

Please contact the Parish Office to organise this.  
*Note: donations are not tax deductible*

### POST MASS TEA

Thank you for joining us for Mass! Our churches host morning/evening tea after Mass. We would love for you to join us, and if you can bring a plate to share. St Marys, South Brisbane — Weekly  
St Francis of Assisi, West End — First Sunday  
OLPS, Fairfield — Last Sunday  
St Ita's, Dutton Park—3rd and 5th Saturday



ST FRANCIS TABLE MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO  
JOIN US ON MONDAY IN CELEBRATING



# FATHERS Day

MORNING TEA & LUNCH  
FELLOWSHIP, GAMES,  
SINGING AND DANCING!

2 SEPTEMBER  
9AM-1PM  
ST FRANCIS' HALL

# This is Josh.

Josh is one of over 120 homeless and vulnerable visitors that frequent Emmanuel City Mission's Catholic daytime sanctuary to receive support and care from the street.

"To be able to come here every morning to have a feed and a shower *gave me back my dignity,*  
I was at the point where I'd given up."

At ECM, visitors have access to hot meals, showers, washing machines, clean clothing and a community that rallies behind them. Soon, ECM will move to the St. Mary's precinct. We invite you to 'come and see' for yourself what it means to serve this community.

To join ECM's team of missionaries and care for people like Josh, we'd love to hear from you:

[contact@ecm.org.au](mailto:contact@ecm.org.au)

[EMMANUELCITYMISSION.COM](http://EMMANUELCITYMISSION.COM)

IGNITE  
YOUTH

Fundraiser

# Spring Ball

7 September

6:30-10PM

18+

Darling & Co, Paddington

Cocktail food

& bar tab

Formal attire

\$95 tickets



## When was the last time you reviewed your Will?

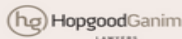
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Your continued support of our Parishes is appreciated. Please consider giving to our planned giving program.

If you'd like to use direct debit please complete the form below and return to the Parish Office.

- [St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)
- [Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)

or direct internet transfer:

- **St Mary's Parish South Brisbane**  
BSB: 064-786  
Acc No: 100 009 890  
Ref: Your Last Name and Collections
- **Dutton Park Parish:**  
BSB: 064-786  
Acc No: 100 023 601  
Ref: Last Name and Collections

We also have **Tap n Go** at the back of the Church

## PARISH ACTIVITIES 2024

### BAPTISMS

- Saturdays - 10.00am  
(Booking is essential - contact Parish Office)

### PRAYER & ADORATION

- Tuesday 6.30pm: St Mary's Church
- Sunday 4pm: St Mary's Church

### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturdays after 8am Mass until Sundays 8.30am

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

- 1st Friday - 7am: St Mary's Church
- 1st Saturday - 5pm: St Ita's Church
- 1st Sunday - 7am: OLPS Fairfield

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY (School Term Only)

- Sunday - 9.00am: St Mary's Church

### ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

- 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am - 1pm  
St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

## SAFEGUARDING

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

To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550.  
For more information visit [brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding)

