Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

4th May 2025



The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given riches and power

Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me? Jesus asks this question of Peter three times in the Gospel using the Greek word ágapo', meaning a self-sacrificial love, the first two times. Peter responds by saying Yes, Lord, you know I 'phileo' you. Phileo, is more like a brotherly/familial love. At the end, Jesus says to Peter, Simon son of Jonah, do you 'Phileo' love me more than these? And in great sorrow, Peter says, yes Lord, you know I 'Phileo' love you.

So what's going on here? Jesus seems to call Simon Peter into a love beyond himself. He's asking Peter, are you willing to give your life to the feeding of the sheep? And with what seems like great doubt (and heavy paraphrasing), Peter says, 'I guess I'll try, but no promises!' John's Gospel uses this as a parallel to Peter's denial of Jesus at the Passion. Maybe Peter was still ashamed of having denied the Lord. Perhaps he didn't believe that he deserved to be loved. Or maybe he didn't think he was capable of loving in the same way as Jesus - it's hard to tell. But that doesn't matter to Jesus, who calls him nonetheless. Jesus already knows our inadequacies and deficiencies, but Jesus is not afraid of them. We are often weighed down by these realities, whereas Jesus sees them with greater potentiality. St Paul said, 'when I am weak, then I am strong (2 Cor 12:10)'. Our weakness is an opportunity for God's glory to shine, as long as we give it to the Lord. Seen in another way, this encounter with Jesus and Peter could be as follows:

J: Be self-sacrificial

P: I can only love in this way

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J: Love as you can

P: Ok

Now this might seem simplistic, but in striving for the 'better' we don't look to the mundane to assist us in getting there. We look towards the 'better' as our standard and northern star.

Where have I settled for the ordinary and allowed the mundane to take over?

Perhaps in these coming weeks, we might look to the Lord with hope and courage to step out towards the greater and give of ourselves with divine assistance to the unknown. What is the Lord calling forth from within me?

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Welcome to new Parishoners

We welcome any new Parishioners 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

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First Reading

Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41 Gospel

John 21: 1-19

The high priest demanded an explanation of the Apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 29 (30): 2, 4-6, 11-13

R/ Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God. O Lord it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.' **R/**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R/**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **R/**

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. **R/**

Second Reading

Apocalypse 5:11-14

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Gospel Acclamation

cf Luke 24: 32

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia! Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.' In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

Next Sunday Readings:

Acts 13: 14, 43-52, PS 99: 1-3, 5

Apoc 7: 9, 14-17 In 10: 27-30



Upcoming Events & News

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CENTRE

love has no borders

Easter of Hope: A Romero Fundraiser

No one should face crisis alone.

Right now, more asylum seekers than ever are coming to the Romero Centre, many fleeing war, violence, and disasters like Cyclone Alfred. With no access to government aid, your support means survival, stability, and hope.

"Help them rebuild:

https://romero-centre.supporterhub.net.au/donations/eastergiving-2025



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

Our youth group is back!



Join us
Friday 9 May 6pm
St Ita's Church
for fun, friendship,
and faith-filled
conversations!



By signing up, you'll receive an exclusive digital cookbook featuring recipes from Adam and renowned chefs worldwide.



For more info visit: www.cookforkids.unicef.org.au

Adam Liaw, MasterChef winner and longtime UNICEF Australia Ambassador, is joining CookForKids!



Divine Mercy Sunday at OLPS >

On 27 April 2025, our OLPS community came together in faith and devotion to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. It was a beautiful day of prayer, reflection, and grace as we entrusted ourselves to the boundless mercy of Jesus.



World Day of Prayer for Vocations

11 MAY GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY





Parish Amalgamation:

"Over the last few weeks, we published information about the amalgamation. Got questions? Check out our FAQ's and scan the QR code for more info!"



Tony Alonso

Brisbane - May 2025

internatioanlly renowned Composer,
Theologian & Record Artis F



Thursday 15th May 7pm-8:45pm Evening Lecture Hanly Room Cathedral of St Stephen





Community News

A few notes:



GATHER WITH CATHOLICS OF BRISBANE IN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE ENCOURAGED AND INSPIRED IN FAITH.

Joseph Pearce

From Hatred to Love

My Conversion to Catholicism

Joseph is a native Englishman with a remarkable backstory. In his youth, he was caught up in the British nationalism movement prevalent in the late 70s and early 80s and went to jail twice for his editorial influence. In his mid-20s he had a remarkable conversion to Catholicism — he credits that in large part to his reading of GK Chesterton. He married an American became a US citizen and lives in South Carolina. His is a wonderful redemption tale. Joseph is a person of joyous and magnanimous spirit that is more than capable of enriching and engaging with all manner of audiences - from school children to university professors and everyone in between.





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Mass Times

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.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Respect & Protect.



Zero tolerance.

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