

Good Shepherd Parish South Brisbane West End Newsletter



God sent his son to save the world through him

When you've surfed on the internet as long as I have, (especially YouTube) you'll develop an algorithm that responds to your watch time and behaviour.

Most of what has been surfacing in my algorithms have been debates on the Trinity. It's understandable that the Trinity is a point of debate because of how it can become confusing and misunderstood. It occurs to me that when it comes to the Trinity, people take literally what should be taken philosophically and vice versa, but perhaps what's more insidious, is that within an age of post enlightenment, and reliance upon science as the ultimate form of truth, we've lost a sense of the metaphysical and philosophical. I feel as if we've lost a sense of wonder and awe in the intellect of the human person and the resulting conclusions leave a lot to be desired.

Many of the greatest thinkers of the world were open to mystery. St Augustine said: 'If you understand it, it is not God.' St Thomas Aquinas said: 'Reason reaches far, but not infinitely,' and Blaise Pascal said 'The heart has it's reasons which reason does not know.'

All these thinkers knew that reason could only take us so far, but if we were open to the greater mystery, somehow, we were able to reach the heights and depths beyond imagining.

For the most part, we take literally what we read from the scriptures about God in the Godhead. Whether it be from the book of Genesis or the Prologue of John's Gospel, we try and make sense of the communal pronoun at the beginning of time, and the in-dwelling of the Eternal Word in John chapter 1. Since what we read there is utterly confusing and difficult to understand, we employ the use of philosophical categories to help us make sense of what's happening, things like being (or substance) and person (defining each distinct member of the Trinity), and although they're distinct, the Trinity is still one.

Taken literally, the Trinity's distinct persons, yet one nature, can often confuse people because **one cannot be three and three cannot be one**. Although this is not the only mistake people make, it does feature regularly in the debates. Furthermore, just because a thing has been reasoned philosophically, does not make it less real.

The debates continue to the moon and back on all these positions, but perhaps what's meaningful for us today is remembering the open invitation extended to us to be part of this loving union. May we all participate in the living relationship of the God who is love and find our home in the Godhead, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Fr William

The Good Shepherd Parish acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our Churches stand.

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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.



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 Most Holy Trinity
31st May 2026

First Reading

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

Responsorial Psalm

Daniel 3: 52-56

R/Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. **R/**

Blest your glorious holy name. **R/**

You are blest in the temple of your glory. **R/**

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.
R/

You are blest who gaze into the depths. **R/**

You are blest in the firmament of heaven. **R/**

Second reading

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Gospel Acclamation

cf Revelation 1: 8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 3: 16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. for God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'



Next Sunday Readings:

Deut 8: 2-3, 14-16
Ps 147: 12-15, 19-20,
1 Cor 10: 16-17
Jn 6: 51-58



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Upcoming Events & News

RCIA Program



Do you know anyone that is interested in becoming catholic?
Our RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation)

Saturdays 2:30pm
St Mary's House
(Behind St Mary's Church)

To register,
scan the QR code

or visit

<https://goodshepherdsbwe.flocknote.com/signup/251085>



NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2026 27 MAY – 3 JUNE

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25 YEARS OF RECONCILIATION AUSTRALIA

PRAYER VIGIL for DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE

PRESIDER: +SHANE MACKINLAY, CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

In collaboration with Juliana Mantilla (Challenge DV), Diana Lopes (Honorary Consul of Portugal in QLD), Brian Sullivan (Sicura), Carole Danby (Queensland Churches Together), Carolyn Robinson (BeyondDV), Centacare, Liturgy Brisbane and the Romero Centre.

Tuesday 2 June 5:30pm - 6:30pm

CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN
49 Elizabeth St Brisbane City

Followed by light supper in the Hanly Room

Join us in prayer and reflection for all impacted by domestic and family violence — victims, families, communities, those who have caused harm, and everyone working across the system. Together, we honour stories, raise awareness, and hold space for healing and hope.

Challenge DV

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AT HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARY

FOOTY FEST

20.06.2026

MORE THAN A GAME

Anointing of the Sick Mass



St Mary's- 1st Friday of the month:
St Francis & Fairfield - 1st Sunday of the month
St Ita's - 1st Saturday of the month

St Mary's Prayer Group

You are invited to our gatherings in faith and prayer on:

Tuesdays 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

May this time of reflection and fellowship deepen our connection with God and with one another. We look forward to growing in spirit together as a community.



Australia's **Biggest Morning Tea**

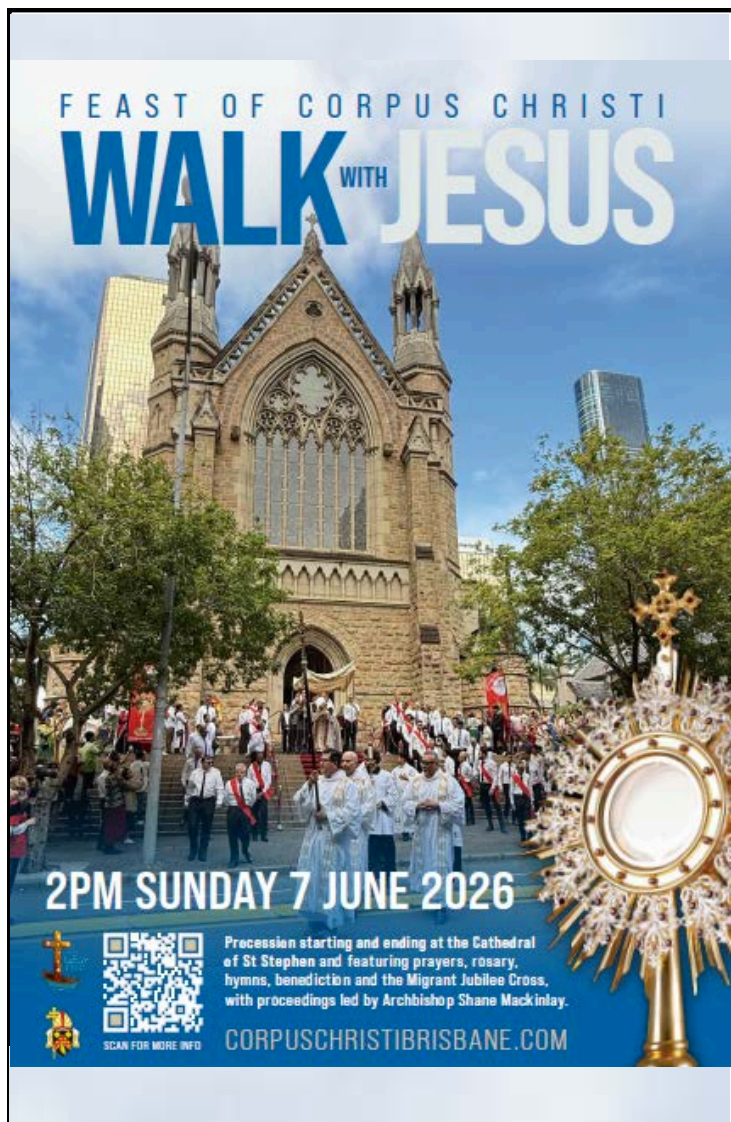
St Francis Table is joining Australia's biggest Morning Tea for the Cancer Council on

Monday, 22nd June at 9:00 am
47 Dornoch Tce., West End
Scan the QR Code for more details.

Cancer Council

Community News

A few notes:



FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI
WALK WITH JESUS

2PM SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2026

Procession starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns, benediction and the Migrant Jubilee Cross, with proceedings led by Archbishop Shane Mackinlay.

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

CORPUSCHRISTIBRISBANE.COM

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: 9:30am (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: 9:30am

Booking is essential

Contact Parish Office 07 3324 3734

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: 9:30 am - 1pm



Our Prearrangements are easy to put in place and let you get on with enjoying life.

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Have you considered Planned Giving?



Many parishioners use Direct Debit for 'Planned Giving' to support the upkeep of Good Shepherd Parish. We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to our planned giving program.

To obtain the **Direct Debit Form** Please Contact the Parish 07 3324 3734, Or see your Church Co-ordinator if you are interested.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Respect & Protect.



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Zero tolerance.
No excuse for abuse

Good Shepherd Parish has zero tolerance for abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in any of its 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