

#### 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.

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** 7th April 2024 - Year B

My dear brothers and sisters,

The feast of the Divine Mercy is celebrated on the second Sunday of Easter. It is originally based on the catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that St Faustina reported as part of her encounter with Jesus and the biggest promises of grace received from Jesus and the indulgences issued by the Catholic Church.

In her Diary, St. Faustina records a special promise given to her by Jesus. He told her to communicate it to the whole world:

"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the font of My mercy.

In three places in her Diary, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces: "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.

The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy

Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday by making a good confession beforehand and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

The devotion to the Divine Mercy was promoted by Pope John Paul II on April 30th 2000, on the day of canonization of St. Faustina. Jesus said to St. Faustina one day, "humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy".

Divine Mercy is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity. Let us make a good confession and receive the Holy Communion and create a special devotion to the Divine Mercy.

Peace and Blessing Fr Ravi

#### **Welcome to New Parishioners**

Please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. For more information about our parish or how to volunteer in the Church ministry or our activities, please contact the Parish Office below.

#### MASS TIMES

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

- Mon-Fri: 7am | Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
- Sunday: 9am and 5pm
- St Francis of Assisi (47 Dornoch Tce, West End)
- Sunday: 9am
- 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

CONFESSION

**St Mary's:** Sat: 8.30am-9am | Sun: 4.15-4.45pm St Ita's:

By appointment (contact parish office)

More information: Websites: - <u>www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au</u> - www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

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- St Ita's Church: Liam O'Rourke (0411 033 321)
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#### First reading: Acts 4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

#### **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 117(118):2-4,15-18,22-24

#### R: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' R/

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. R/

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. R/

#### Second reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God;

and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us;

this is what loving God is - keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world - our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God:

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness -

since the Spirit is the truth.

#### Gospel Acclamation: John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;

happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

#### Gospel: John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with

you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained."

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disci-ples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

#### Communion Antiphon: Cf. Jn 20: 27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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#### **THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses**

Monday 8th: Solemnity (The Annunciation of the Lord) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

#### **Tuesday 9th:**

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

#### Wednesday 10th: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Thursday 11th: Memorial (St Stanislaus) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

#### Friday 12th:

One thing I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord.

#### Saturday 13th:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

3rd Sunday of Easter

1st reading: Acts 3:13-15,17-19

2nd reading: 1 John 2:1-5

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY ST MARY'S - SUNDAY, 7 APRIL



- 3.00pm: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Holy Rosary, Readings from the Diary of St Faustina;
- 4.00pm: Blessing of Divine Mercy Images, Adoration, Confession;

• 5.00pm: Parish Mass

#### THE SACRAMENT OF INITIATION 2024

We welcome and congratulate Siyi Levi, Mia, Jana and Tyler into full communion with the Catholic Church. Please continue to keep them and their family in your prayers.



For more information about our RCIA program, please contact the Parish Office.

#### **CHILDREN PASSION PLAY 2024**

The children at St Mary's Church performed the Passion play on Good Friday.

Thank you to their parents and volunteers who helped Sr Salvacion to prepare the children for this play. Well done to the children for their commitment and hard work.





**PARISH OFFICE PHONE NUMBER** 

A reminder that our phone number has changed to **07 3324 3734.** 

If you are dialling from a mobile network, remember to add the area code 07.

#### ST FRANCIS' 1ST SUNDAY MORNING TEA Sunday 7 April - 11am at Orleigh Park, West End

Instead of a cuppa in the hall, an invitation is extended for the St Francis Community to join the Choir group at Orleigh Park at 11 am. A plate to share will be appreciated.

On this occasion the choir & community will have an opportunity to thank & farewell Esther, Dominic & Family who have contributed their significant musical alent as members of our choir during their stay in Australia.



Time : 11:00am onwards Where : Orleigh Park @ Riverside Westend Bring a plate to share with everyone! We will see you there.

Contact Falanika 0450488330





The Archbishop's Dinner for Women, hosted by Archbishop Mark Coleridge, offers a chance for women discerning their vocation to connect and gain insights into their journey. The event features personal stories from the Archbishop to assist in discernment and the questions they are currently facing. Interested attendees should submit their interest via email <u>vocation@bne.catholic.net.au</u>.

When: Thursday18thApril,2024 Time: 6:00pm - 8:30pm Where: Wynberg, New Farm

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#### 7:00pm Saturday 27 April 2024

#### St Francis of Assisi Church Hall, West End

Inspired by the parish dances held around Brisbane during the 1950s to 1980s (ask your parents or grandparents about them!), the St Francis Social is a good ol' fashion dance and social mixer for young Catholic adults in their 20s and 30s, with a bit of fundraising for charity thrown in for good measure!

Dress in your best white, gold or bright coloured outfits and continue the joyful celebrations of Eastertide!



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#### **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)

- Saturday 5.00pm: St Ita's Church (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday 9.00am: St Mary's Church

#### FAMILY MASS (School term only)

- 4th Saturday 5pm: St Ita's Church
- ST FRANCIS TABLE Ministry to the Elderly
- 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am -1pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

#### **IGNITE CONFERENCE 2024** Registration is now open !

If you are interested in attending the 2024 Ignite Conference as part of our Parishes' youth group, please let Fr Will or Fr Ravi know.



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- St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form
- Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form

#### Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

- **St Mary's Parish South Brisbane** BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 009 890 Ref: <u>Your Last Name and Collections</u>
- Dutton Park Parish: BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 022 825 Ref: Last Name and Collections

We also have **Tap n Go** see Church Coordinator at Mass.

#### 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