

Parish Activities in 2020

BAPTISMS

Saturday | 10.00am | monthly
 1st Saturday St Francis of Assisi, West End
 2nd Saturday St Mary's, South Brisbane
 3rd Saturday St Ita's, Dutton Park

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10.00am. Bookings essential.

PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION

Monday to Friday: 12-2pm at St Mary's Church

AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Prayer Group: Tuesday 7pm at St Mary's Church
 website: awaken.org.au

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM

3rd Sunday of the month | St Francis Hall 1.30-3pm

ADORATION & DIVINE MERCY

Sunday: 4-5pm St Mary's Church

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the month | St Mary's Church 7am
 1st Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7am

NEW PARISHIONERS

We would like to help you feel at home in the Parish. Would you please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. Welcome leaflets with basic information about the parish are also available either at the door of the church or by contacting the parish office. Thank you for becoming part of our community.



This year, Advent begins on Sunday, November 29 and leads up to Christmas. Join us for daily video meditations and scriptural readings with world-class speakers on scripture and the Catholic Faith. Plus: Join the nine-day novena from Mexico called *Las Posada Navidena* – built right into this pilgrimage. Open to everyone! <https://www.parousiamedia.com/the-advent-pilgrimage-a-journey-from-eden-to-bethlehem/>

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IGNITE SUMMERCAMP 21 14-17 Jan 2021 Mapleton
 Inviting All High Schoolers to come and join us for four unforgettable days this Summer. Early bird registration is available till Dec 1. Family discounts available [https://igniteyouth.com/summecamp?](https://igniteyouth.com/summecamp?mc_cid=de4d3c7942&mc_eid=b260275c6c)

Pregnancy Crisis is holding our **first ever online raffle!** With fabulous prizes to be won, including an exquisite painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe by a Sister of Mary Morning Star, a \$200 voucher to the Norman Hotel and three beautiful Marian-themed necklaces, we hope that you will be able to help us disseminate the link to our raffle: <https://www.rafflelink.com.au/pregnancycrisis2020>
 All funds raised will be used for our work supporting vulnerable mothers and babies, especially in this time of pandemic. The draw will be held at noon on 12 December, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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PARISH PLAN GIVING
 Our faith sustains us through challenging times. Now, more than ever, your support is needed to help our parishes to continue their valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. To assist you to support our parishes during this time, you can now give via the following methods:

- Parish Giving App

- Internet Transfer directly to our Bank Accounts.
Bank Account details for Dutton Park West End Parish are:
 BSB: 064-786
 Acc No: 006 226 001
 Acc Name: Dutton Park Catholic Parish
 Reference: Last Name - collections
Bank Account details for St Mary's Account are:
 BSB: 064-786
 Acc No: 007 230 100
 Acc Name: St Mary's Catholic Church
 Reference: Last Name - collections
- Online: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>.

We invite each of you to join with us at the Awaken Adoration and Prayer Evening each Tuesday evening at St Mary's Church. Adoration is simply beautiful, it is a time to adore our Lord. Join with us as we lift up our state to heaven through the rosary and all who need mercy through the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

ADORATION & PRAYER
 EVERY TUESDAY
 7pm - 8.30pm
 St Mary's Church
 20 Merivale St, South Brisbane



EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:
 St Mary's - South Brisbane;
 St Ita's - Dutton Park;
 St Francis of Assisi - West End &
 Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Fairfield.
 Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8 November 2020 - Year A

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
 The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids in this Sunday's Gospel foreshadows the day of judgment. The bridegroom is Christ, and the wedding feast is eternal life with Christ. The sensible and foolish bridesmaids illustrate the merits of preparation, and the costs of procrastination, respectively. The sensible bridesmaids were prepared for the bridegroom's arrival, with sufficient oil for their lamps. While they did doze off, once alerted they "woke up and trimmed their lamps" (Mt 25:7) and "went in with [the bridegroom] to the wedding hall and the door was closed" (Mt 25:10). The sensible bridesmaids ended up where they were supposed to be; at the wedding feast with the bridegroom. And yet, while the sensible bridesmaids were with the bridegroom, the foolish ones were trying to make up for their lack of preparation. The foolish bridesmaids are, at best, blasé about the prospect of the bridegroom's arrival. It is if they either don't care, or they decided to defer their preparation to another day. You will, like me, identify this as procrastination; something of which we are all guilty at times. We read what happened; when the foolish bridesmaids asked for the door to the wedding hall to be opened the response was: "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you" (Mt 25:12). When it comes to our faith lives where do we sit on the preparation-procrastination spectrum? For procrastinators, sanctity is something for tomorrow. Procrastinators may ask themselves: Will I have oil for my lamp? Will I miss the

bridegroom, because I am distracted from the task at hand, which is to prepare for the wedding feast for which I have been made? Or will I be someone who is prepared, alert, and eager to meet the bridegroom and be welcomed into the marriage feast? Let us be prepared for the bridegroom's coming, and may each of us come to celebrate the eternal wedding feast!

Yours in Christ, Deacon Adam

November Masses
 The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in purgatory. Parishioners are requested to place your mass intentions for the Souls in the basket provided in front of the Altar. Fr Joshy

Memorial Mass—St Mary's 14 November
 In Loving Memory of all our loved ones, family member/s, relatives or friends who have died in the past 12 months especially during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Fr Joshy will be celebrating a Memorial Mass at St Mary's Church on Saturday, 14 November commencing at 11.00 am. To attend please register to Dianne Ezzy on 0411 869 017 or email ezzydi@bigpond.com

MASS TIMES
St Mary's Church (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)
 Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm
 Youth Mass: 4th Sunday 5pm
 (Anointing 1st Friday of each month)
St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am
St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

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CONFESSION
St Mary's Church:
 Fri: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm
St Ita's Church: Sat: 4-4.50pm

ST ITA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
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The South Brisbane and Dutton Park Parishes acknowledge the Turrbal people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 87: 3

Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

First reading Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 62(63):2-8

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. R/
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. R/
So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. R/
On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
In the shadow of your wings I rejoice. R/

Second reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 24:42,44

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 25:1-13 The wise and foolish virgins

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went

to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 22: 1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,
near restful waters he leads me.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Prov 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 2nd reading: 1 Thess 5: 1-6; Gospel: Mt 25: 14-30

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This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 9th: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)

R/ The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

Tuesday 10th: St Leo the Great (Memorial)

R/ The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.

Wednesday 11th: St Martin of Tours (Memorial)

R/ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Thursday 12th: St Josaphat (Memorial)

R/ Blest are they whose help is the God of Jacob.

Friday 13th:

R/ Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Saturday 14th: Mass of Virgin Mary

R/ Happy are those who fear the Lord.



Adore - Advent Reflection

Inspired by the shepherds, Magi and our Blessed Mother, this year's reflection book, *Adore*, provides a wonderful opportunity for us to take a quiet step out of our daily lives and refocus our attention on the Lord in adoration of what he has done for us through his Son.

Join us in our 4 weekly reflection starting on
Friday 27th November - 6pm at St Francis Hall.
Registrations Essential contact the Parish Office

Bishop Denis Brennan of Ferns, Ireland has written a Pastoral Letter to the people of the Diocese of Ferns for the month of November. A highlight: .

"... let's do more than what is simply right at present. Let us as Church go the second mile. In resolving to recommit to these good and necessary practices of hygiene and safety, let's dig deeper and draw on our Christian nature. Let's share our hope of brighter days with others, especially those for whom this is a real struggle – the isolated, those for whom anxiety is a daily burden, the genuinely frightened, those who could do with a bit of cheering up, or motivating. In short – **'Keep heart, Give heart, Be heart!'**..."

Pastoral Care Update

Dear Parishioners,

In my pastoral ministry within the Parish, I always make sure that I look after the needs of everyone including my volunteers. They would ask me for prayers to find a job which I always did and God answered some of our requests. One of my volunteers thanked me for praying for her husband who just got a job and a week later I also found her a job. During the week there were ups and downs with our volunteers due to family commitments and other duties. One of the volunteers put the blame on me saying "Sister there are many people jobless in Australia find them a job but please stop finding jobs for your volunteers". I replied: "Didn't you know I'm just doing my duty as a job agent? But I always trust God will provide. True enough last week we welcomed Chris Bolger from St Mary's to our team of dedicated volunteers who had already been and will be helping us do the pick up of some supplies that we need from the Foodbank. Thank you Christ and Bernadette our Secretary for your hard work behind the scene providing all the necessary paperwork in order for us to have access to foodbank. Last Wednesday it was a very uplifting experience to encounter once again the face of Christ in the person that we served. The elderly woman receiving the meals was so grateful, she said, "Anything is good and delicious when we are hungry and a single visit, a little smile and a simple Hello, no matter if it is coming from a stranger or a friend it means a lot to people who suffer from loneliness and isolation like me." With this in mind I told myself: "The simple things in life can mean such a lot and I always thig of this and how fortunate I am and how happy it makes me feel being a part of this community and an army of volunteers making a difference. I guess it is in the satisfied faces of individuals at our weekly visits and meal deliveries that continue to tell the story of hope, life and joy..... This has changed people's lives in ways we never know or understand. One of the residents rushed and eagerly shook my hand and gave me \$9 in gold coins saying: " want you to know how much your support means to people like me, you juys are tremendous. There are no words that can explain how grateful I am for the great support that the community has given to St Francis Table Ministry to the Elderly, families and the homeless. Volunteers are the heartbeat of this ministry who continually dedicate priceless hours and strive to help us spread the message of love, care, hope and compassion every day. We appreciate your support and patience during Covid-19 Pandemic and beyond. God Bless and have a great week to you all.
Sr. Salvacion, sfi



Held in God's Loving Hands – A Quiet Weekend Retreat for Women

What do God's hands look like? How can we reimagine our lives held in lovingly cupped hands and held close? Comfort, compassion, mercy, nurture, deep love..... A weekend opportunity for women to leave behind the chaos and clutter that can be a part of life and enter into quiet in community. Come and experience a time of prayerful reflection. Facilitated by Grace Harwood (Dragonfly Ministries) 2 opportunities to choose from: Friday 11 December 6pm to Sunday 13 December 3pm OR Friday 15 January 6pm to Sunday 17 January 3pm Place: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Wellington Street, Ormiston Cost: \$370 (\$340 for pensioners, f/t students and unemployed) includes all accommodation, meals, resources and facilitation. Santa Teresa requires an additional \$30 fee for those with special diets. grace@dragonflyministries.net.au or 0409 524 283

Position Vacant – Safeguarding Officer Applications are open for the above position in the Office for Safeguarding Services located at the St Stephen's Cathedral precinct. The position is a full-time 37.5 hour role. For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/and-to-careers>. The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

EVANGELISATION BRISBANE

Reconciliation Action Plan—Launch Tuesday 17 Nov join online from 1.45pm at www.archbne.org/bzw

Archdiocese of Brisbane YouTube—Stories of Faith, Compassion, Mercy and Mission <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8-1Dil2Zzb9MDGbsCC-kTaNQRSeEMZEI>

Ignite Youth 29 Nov 6pm Adoration Emmas Centre Chapel register via Instagram

UQ Catholic Chaplaincy <https://www.instagram.com/uqcatholicchaplaincy/>

An Invitation to Pray SPEND TIME WITH GOD EVERY MORNING Sign up to receive the **Daily Gospel Reflection**. Subscribe via the Evangelisation Brisbane website <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/daily-reflections/>



Our Parish warmly welcomes through Baptism:

All children and their families who celebrated Baptisms this month in our parish churches
I have called you by name you are mine Isaiah 43:1

Annual Peter's Pence Collection 21 – 22 November 2020

Each year parishes in the Archdiocese of Brisbane take up the Peter's Pence collection as a retiring collection. A collection will be taken up on the 21-22 Nov.



NAIDOC week was rescheduled to **8-15 November** this year and we encourage all Catholics to take the opportunity to reflect, acknowledge and engage with First Nations Catholics. It is equally important to note the official NAIDOC theme -

Always was, Always will be. -

which contains a strong resonance to Pope Francis' 2015 Encyclical "Laudato Si, on Care for our Common Home." The Encyclical highlights and makes clear the need for Australians to accept and acknowledge the stewardship and knowledge that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people possesses and that which is deeply imbedded in the Culture and Spirituality of Australia's First Peoples. In the toughest of years, Australians have come together to keep each other safe, to ask R U OK? and to show common care for our neighbours. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities have embraced technology to see and support Elders, to share a laugh and to see Christ in the Face of our Family and friends.

Please take the opportunity that NAIDOC week presents to support your local Traditional Custodians and to celebrate the gifts of perseverance, spirituality and faith of the World's oldest continuing Culture. NATSICC LITURGY TEAM

We will remember and acknowledge NAIDOC Week with mass next Sunday at each of our churches.

Please pray together in your families as we enter the start of NAIDOC week :

PRAYER OF HEALING

God of Mercy and Compassion, Our hearts too, are heavy with the pain of our people. We are sorry. Hopelessness and despair of life has caused much hurt and anger They have lost their way. We ask You to touch the hearts of our broken people. Mend their paths and walk with them. May they feel the Spirit of our Ancestors. May the Spirit of our Ancestors strengthen and guide us, On our journey back to the light of hope, And the love of life in Christ Amen.

Written by AICCQ Working Group
27 October 2000

<http://www.natsicc.org.au/>

<https://www.naidoc.org.au/about/naidoc-week>