

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter



All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciple

"for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind". The book of Wisdom has long been the place of sayings and phrases that have raised the mind and heart to God. The words presented here note a reality often spoken about by Bishop Barron in response to the faith and reason argument.

The argument goes that; a person with faith is somewhat irrational because faith and reason are in competition. Here is where Bishop Barron would say that faith is not irrational, but rather suprarational.

Supra comes from the Latin which means 'above' or 'beyond' and when combined with rational the Church is professing that faith is 'beyond' reason or it's 'above' reason. Much like the house built on rock, faith stands on reason. It's not in competition with reason but uses reason to verify its position. In this way, faith is not superstitious or unfounded, but grounded and meaningful.

Many a discovery and scientific advance has begun with the premise that this world and all within it can be known and understood. God did not leave us orphaned and unable to grasp at the mysteries of the universe, but because we're made in the image and likeness of an intelligent being, we too are given the ability to intelligibly engage with the all that is around us.

With the advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AI) within our world, I pray that we do not lose sight of one of the deeply characteristic traits of the human person – our intelligence. There are still many mysteries to learn and know about our world and our God. May we not be held back by our limiting mindsets, but be set free to imagine, envision and dream. The soul that longs to unite with God and the mind that longs to know God will discover and uncover the hidden mysteries of this world.

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Welcome to new Parishoners

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



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

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
7th September 2025

First Reading

Wisdom 9:13-18

What man indeed can know the intentions of God?
Who can divine the will of the Lord?
The reasonings of mortals are unsure
and our intentions unstable;
for a perishable body presses down the soul,
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming
mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is
on earth, laborious to know what lies within our
reach; who, then, can discover what is in the
heavens? As for your intention, who could have
learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from above?
Thus have the paths of those on earth been
straightened and men been taught what pleases
you, and saved, by Wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89: 3-6, 12-14, 17

R/ In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge

You turn men back to dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **R/**

You sweep men away like a dream,
like the grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **R/**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R/**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R/**

Second Reading

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

Gospel Acclamation

Ps 118:135

Alleluia, alleluia!
Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me
your laws
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 14: 25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'



Next Sunday Readings:

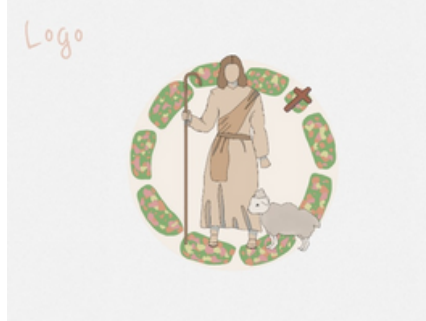
Num 21: 4-9, Ps 77(78): 1-2, 34-38
Phi 2: 6-11, Jn 3 13-17



Upcoming Events & News

Parish Logo Design

Thank you to all who contributed. We have awarded our prize to Caitlin Gordon. Her design incorporates Jesus the Good Shepherd in a meaningful way. Her design is in the bottom corner of this ad.



The Good Shepherd Parish
South Brisbane & West End



WINNER



Installation of Archbishop Shane Mackinlay

Archbishop-Elect Shane Mackinlay will be installed as the new Archbishop of Brisbane on the 11th of September 2025. Parishioners are encouraged to join via the live stream. Mass will begin at 11am. We wish departing Bishop, Archbishop Mark a happy and healthy retirement.

St Francis Table - Father's Day

Join us on Monday, 8th at St Francis Table for a Father's Day celebration. We will gather at St Francis of Assisi Hall for a 9am start. Happy Father's Day to all our Father's.



Rosie's Designated Parking
At St Mary's

Please be advised that Rosies vans are now parking at St Mary's. We kindly ask parishioners not to use the designated bays marked for Rosies.

A CANONISATION CELEBRATION

MOUNTAINS & MEGABYTES

13 SEPT
STARTS AT 4.30 PM

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
FORTITUDE VALLEY

Find more information at catholiccollective.org.au

ST CARLO ACUTIS
ST PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI

FREE EVENT

HOLY HOUR • YOUTH MASS • FESTIVAL

Sacramental Program Please Keep Our Candidates in Prayer

Our candidates are preparing to receive Penance and First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers as they take this important step in their faith journey.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our RCIA Program is now OPEN and it will commence in September.

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming catholic, please scan the QR Code below



**20TH SEPT, 2025
2:30PM**

St Mary's Church



Complete the enquiry form and email back to the Parish
stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au

Community News

A few notes:



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11 SEPTEMBER
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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.

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everyone's
responsibility.

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Zero tolerance.
No excuse for abuse

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