

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter



See that you are prepared.

Be dressed for action. Have your lamps lit. Be ready for your Master's return. Be ready to open the door. Let the master find you awake. Why? Well, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour we do not expect.' The return of the Son of Man might bring joy to some but would spell doom for others.

Generally, when we know a special guest is coming over for dinner we'll prepare the dish we know we can cook. We might bring out the fancy cutlery and the crystal. We'll tidy up around the house and make sure everyone is on their best behaviour.

It seems instinctual that we know what Jesus means when he says be ready! It's certainly not a 'tidy your house' message nor is it a 'wash the outside of the cup' and leave the inside dirty.

Being ready, in a biblical sense, calls to mind the eschatological dimension, namely, this world will end and the Son of Man will return, but also the spiritual dimension/position of a disciple. Spiritually, all disciples must be found ready and waiting for the Lord.

So what does it mean to be spiritually ready? A spiritually ready person prays. A person that is spiritually ready prioritises the Word of the Lord over the desires and temptations of the world. A spiritually ready person discerns how the Lord calls them into action and then acts upon it. How spiritually ready am I?

We're on the verge of change within our Parish as we look towards our Amalgamation. I see this as a time of great renewal and rejuvenation. We're already on the journey of nominating and then eventually appointing Parish Pastoral Council members. I encourage you to join me on this journey. Let your voice be heard as we go through these steps.

The goal is to be a Parish of Missionary Disciples that goes out into the local area and ministers to those in need and those who are estranged from the flock of Christ. Indeed, there are many places in need of the tenderness and care of the Good Shepherd.

This is how we aim to be spiritually ready. May we all rise to the occasion, that when the Lord comes, he may find us with our hands at the plough, working for the Kingdom of Heaven

Fr William

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.

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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

First Reading

Wisdom 18: 6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

Responsorial Psalm

32(33):1, 12, 18-20, 22

R/ Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. **R/**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R/**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R/**

Second Reading

Hebrew 11:1-2, 8-19

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10th August 2025

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

Gospel Acclamation

Matt 24: 42a, 44

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

Gospel

Luke 12: 32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming," and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful. The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

Next Sunday Readings:

Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10,
Ps 39(40) : 2-4, 18,
Heb 12: 1-4, Jn 10: 27
Lk 12: 49-53



Upcoming Events & News

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our RCIA Program will commence in September. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming catholic,

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

St Mary's Church

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



please scan
QR Code



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.



Parish Pastoral Council Nominations

Please submit your nominations for Parish

Pastoral Council Members
scan the QR code



Parish Name: **Good Shepherd Parish
South Brisbane West End**

We're forming a new Parish Pastoral Council and invite you to nominate someone who:

- Is active in our parish life
- Works well with others
- Has time to serve in this ministry

Nomination forms available at the back of each church

Deadline: August 17

Discernment Night: August 20 at 6 PM

Parish Logo Design Competition

Must include:

Element of Nurturing/Care

Mission

Leadership

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Submissions must also include a colour scheme for other media.

Please email your design to:
stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au

****entries close 31st August 2025****

St Mary's Church Feast Day

**Mass & Celebration
Sunday, 17 August –
9:00 AM**

You are invited to join us for Mass and a celebration afterwards. Please bring a plate of food to share and join together in celebrating St Mary's Feast Day.



St Francis Table July Birthdays Celebration

St Francis Table Ministry has supported the elderly and families in need—thanks to our dedicated volunteers who cook, deliver meals, and connect with those we serve.



Romero Centre OPEN Day

Join us for the Romero Centre Open Day
a chance to connect, learn and be part of something meaningful.

21 August | 2.30pm - 5.30pm

Romero Centre, 8 Dutton St, Dutton Park

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

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TOUR THE CENTRE

MEET OUR TEAM & COMMUNITY

LEARN HOW YOUR SUPPORT CAN CHANGE LIVES



We'd love to see you there.
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Community News

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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

CONFESIONS

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.

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