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22nd February 2020
 10am - 2pm
 171 St Pauls Terrace,
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RSVP
 1300 951 501

40 Days for Life Wine and Cheese Night 2020!

Our first event is coming up soon! It's a FREE event and an opportunity to bring your friends and family to learn about what 40 Days for Life is doing in Brisbane! Friday, **21 Feb 2020 7pm** Courtyard between Marymac Centre and Mary Immaculate School Building, **616 Ipswich Rd, Annerley**

What: a night of FREE wine, cheese and nibbles with fellow people of God who want to **end the scourge of abortion** in Brisbane. This is a chance to hear what the power of prayer and God's grace is doing to bring new life into our broken culture.
40daysbrisbane@gmail.com

Parish Activities in 2020

BAPTISMS
 Saturday | 9.30 a.m. | monthly
 1st Saturday St Francis'
 2nd Saturday St Mary's
 3rd Saturday St Ita's

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9.30 a.m. Bookings essential.

ADORATION
 Sunday: 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. St Mary's Church

DIVINE MERCY
 Sunday: 4:15pm St Mary's Church

PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION
 Monday to Friday: 12:00 noon—2:00 p.m. at St Mary's Church

AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST
 1st Saturday of the month at 6:00 p.m.
 St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End
 website: awaken.org.au

ST FRANCIS TABLE—Ministry to the Elderly
 Every Monday
 Monday: 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.
 St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

ANOIDING OF THE SICK MASS
 1st Friday of the month | St Mary's Church 7:00 a.m.
 1st Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7:00 a.m.

PARISH MORNING TEAS
 Every Sunday St Mary's (and Feast Days)
 1st Sunday of the month
 OLPS Fairfield after 7:00 a.m. Mass
 St Francis Church after 9:00 a.m. mass

FAMILY MASS
 4th Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5:00 p.m. (school term only)

RIISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM
 Dates to be advised | St Francis Hall

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.

The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you

- Western regions rejoice as rain falls on drought-hit lands, bringing hope to farming communities and filling dams.
- Maronite Catholic siblings Antony, Angelina and Sienna Abdallah killed in Oatlands tragedy remembered for their devout faith at funeral.
- Faithful flock to pray with the relics of St Therese of Lisieux and her saintly parents Sts Louis and Zelle Martin visiting Brisbane archdiocese.

Find your copy at the back of the Church for \$2.

Vacancy

Victoria Point Parish casual position of Sacramental & Safeguarding Coordinator (Only during school term time starting in March 2020 with approximately 5 to 10 hours per week) For a copy of the position description and to apply for this position, please visit the below link. <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/> Applications close 18 February 2021. 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.



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.
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**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 16 February 2020 - Year A**

Dear Parishioners,
 We are called to be more than just moral: God calls us to be virtuous. We become virtuous by habitually choosing to do well. Naturally we are not perfect, but God calls us to reflect on how we live and to understand what has gone right and wrong for us. Such reflection can lead us to insight that will help us to live better and be virtuous in the future. Therefore by reflecting on our experience in the light of faith we grow in wisdom.

Jesus preaches us a religion that should become increasingly interior and personal to the individual. In today's Gospel Matthew emphasizes the close relationship between Jewish Law and the teaching of Jesus. Here Jesus teaches with examples that he has not come to abolish the Law and the prophets but to bring them to completion. He tells us that the Law still has its force and will not pass away till it has achieved the purpose for which it was given. Jesus on his part is giving us the new law namely the law of love.

In the first reading Sirach affirms that God knows every human action. He the wise teacher urges his listeners to make the right choice in life. They have the commandments to guide them. In the second reading Paul reminds us that God has many riches for those who love him and tells us that the rulers of this age failed to recognize God's wisdom in Christ. The wisdom however is revealed to us by the Holy Spirit.

God gives us the grace, help, and strength to love as

he loves, to forgive as he forgives, to think and judge as he judges and to act as he acts with mercy, kindness and goodness.

God bless you and have great weekend,
 Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap

Sacrament of Penance 2020
 (St Mary's, St Francis of Assisi & St Ita's)
 Closing date: **This Thursday 20 February**

Information Night
 Thursday, 27 February – 6.00 pm
 At St Ita's Church, Dutton Park (all together)

Commitment Mass
 St Ita's Sat, 29 Feb 5.00 pm
 St Francis Sun, 1 Mar 9.00 am
 St Mary's Sun, 1 Mar 9.00 am

Workshop
 Saturday, 7 March 9.00 am – 3.30 pm
 St Francis' Hall, West End

Celebration
 Wednesday, 11 March – 6.00 pm
 St Ita's Church, Dutton Park

If you wish for your child to receive this sacrament (**Year 5 or older**), please send the enrolment forms to the Parish Office by Thursday. Download enrolment forms
www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au or
www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane)
 Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm

St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am

St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm; Sunday: 8.00am

Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

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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
 247 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park, Qld 4102
Phone: (07)3838 8400
Email: pduttonpark@bne.catholic.edu.au
Web: www.stitasduttonpark.qld.edu.au

Changes to Communion

Due to Coronavirus emergency and the safety of our parishioners, only one species of communion will be given that of the Host. The Chalice will be suspended temporarily.

READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 30: 3-4

Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

First reading Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20

If you wish, you can keep the commandments,
to behave faithfully is within your power.
He has set fire and water before you;
put out your hand to whichever you prefer.
Man has life and death before him;
whichever a man likes better will be given him.
For vast is the wisdom of the Lord;
he is almighty and all-seeing.
His eyes are on those who fear him,
he notes every action of man.
He never commanded anyone to be godless,
he has given no one permission to sin.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 118(119):1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

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

They are happy whose life is blameless,
who follow God's law!

They are happy who do his will,
seeking him with all their hearts. R/

You have laid down your precepts
to be obeyed with care.

May my footsteps be firm
to obey your statutes. R/

Bless your servant and I shall live
and obey your word.

Open my eyes that I may see
the wonders of your law. R/

Teach me the demands of your statutes
and I will keep them to the end.

Train me to observe your law,
to keep it with my heart. R/

Second reading 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity:
not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of
our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of
God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God
predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a
wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known,
or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach
what scripture calls: *the things that no eye has seen and no ear
has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has
prepared for those who love him.*

These are the very things that God has revealed to us through
the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even
the depths of God.

Gospel Acclamation Cf. Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to
abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but
to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth dis-
appear, not one dot, not one little stroke, shall disappear from
the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who
infringes even one of the least of these commandments and
teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in

the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and
teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heav-
en.

'For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the
scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of
heaven.

'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: *You must
not kill*; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the
court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother
will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool!"
he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him
"Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are
bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your
brother has something against you, leave your offering there
before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first,
and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms
with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to
the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and
the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell
you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last pen-
ny.

'You have learnt how it was said: *You must not commit adul-
tery*. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he
has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right
eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it
will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your
whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause
you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm
to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell.

'It has also been said: *Anyone who divorces his wife must give
her a writ of dismissal*. But I say this to you: everyone who divorc-
es his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adul-
teress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits
adultery.

'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: *You
must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord*.
But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since
that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or
by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not
swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single
hair white or black. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes,
"No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the
evil one.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 77: 29-30

They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Lev 19: 1-2, 17-18;

2nd reading: 1 Cor 3: 16-23; Gospel Mt 5: 38-48

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This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 17th:

R/ *Be kind to me, Lord, and I shall live.*

Tuesday 18th:

R/ *Happy are those you teach, O Lord.*

Wednesday 19th:

R/ *The just shall live on your holy mountain, O Lord.*

Thursday 20th:

R/ *The Lord hears the cry of the poor.*

Friday 21st:

R/ *Happy are those who do what the Lord commands.*

Saturday 22nd: The Chair of St Peter (Feast)

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

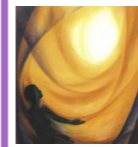
PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM 2020



Ash Wednesday Mass Times

26th February - a day of fasting and abstinence.

St Mary's 7am
St Ita's 8.45 am (school mass)
St Francis 6pm



Lenten Program 2020 - Be Opened A Journey to New Life 6pm every Tuesday

Starting on Thursday 7th March at
St Ita's Meeting Room



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday night during Lent from 7.00pm at
St Mary's Church.
Starting on Friday 28th February.

Free Archdiocese of Brisbane 2020 Family Lent Calendar Down-
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family-lent-calendar.pdf](http://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/assets/uploads/2020-family-lent-calendar.pdf)

Archbishops Pastoral Visit



On the weekend of the 13—15 March 2020
Archbishop Mark Coleridge will be visiting our parish for
a pastoral visit. During this time he will be meeting with
our ministries, services, school leadership, councils, pa-
rishioners and parish staff. He will also be celebrating some mas-
ses. We are hoping that this visit will give him an overview
of the life and vitality of our parish.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL BURSARIES FOR FAMILIES FACING HARDSHIP NOW OPEN

The Mary MacKillop Brisbane Catholic School Access Fund (MacKillop Fund) pro-vides access to Catholic education for fam-
ilies within the Archdiocese of Brisbane. This bursary is open to
children **not** currently enrolled in a Catholic school, where the
family is experiencing severe hardship and believe their child
would benefit from a supportive Catholic community. Applica-
tions for the 2021 school year are open and will be considered in
May 2020. More information and the Expression of Interest Forms
are available online.

Celebrations took place at the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual
Succour last Sunday as parishioners joined together to honour
and thank Bill Coombes for his many years of volunteering work.
Bill first started volunteering with us in 1960, assisting in the church
in various roles including member of the very first Parish Council
and hospital visits with SvDp to the Dia-
mantina and Mater Hospitals. Since
2007 Bill has faithfully served in the roles
of Sacristan, mowing and garden
maintenance and church cleaner. On
behalf of the parish Bill Thank You for
your many years of selfless volunteering,
you are such a wonderful example of
the heart of a volunteer.



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6PM, SATURDAY
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St Ita's Children's Liturgy

5pm Vigil Mass Every Saturday (except for family mass)
For primary school ages 5-12 yrs old

Our Parish follows the guidelines of the Archdiocese of
Brisbane for engagement of all volunteers and creates an
environment that fosters child safety and wellbeing.

Volunteers Needed



St Ita's Vigil Mass - readers required
Dutton Park Parish—counters required
St Francis OF Assisi Church—Flower Ministry

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