

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

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.

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PARISH PLAN GIVING

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1. Parish Giving App 
2. 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
3. Online: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>.

Aid to the Church in Need is organizing the prayer campaign *One Million Children Praying the Rosary*. We know how powerful the prayers of children are, they fly like an arrow into the heart of God. How powerful then is the prayer of the Rosary prayed by millions of children, and adults, all around the world! Join this prayer campaign on the 18th of October. Go to www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children to learn more.


 **Awaken**
 TOGETHER IN CHRIST
ADORATION & PRAYER
 EVERY TUESDAY
 7pm - 8.30pm
 St Mary's Church
 20 Merivale St, South Brisbane
 admin@awaken.org.au Awaken.org.au Search - Awaken Community 0437 006 264

TESTIMONIAL
 From Jay
 "At Awaken, I feel the support and love of everyone"



The Catholic Bishops of Queensland

Hospital emergency departments are reporting a rise in family violence related trauma, as physical distancing and increased isolation increase the pressures on families under stress. When we go to vote on October 31, we will have a chance to help shape our community response to domestic violence and other critical social issues. The Bishops of Queensland are calling on all Catholics to consider the Common Good as they prepare to vote. You can find out more about the issues you might reflect on at <https://bit.ly/3mk6lj0>

 **Consider the Common Good on October 31**



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



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 11 October 2020 - Year A

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
 I think it's fairly uncontroversial to say that, when we are given a choice, we quite often don't make the best decisions. The most obvious example is, of course, Adam and Eve who used their free will to disobey God by eating of the tree. We live with the aftermath of their choice to this day.

Today's Scripture readings together paint a picture of the feast that God has prepared for us. It is a feast to which He calls us insistently. Isaiah's prophecy in the first reading talks of "a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines" (Is 25:6). At this metaphorical banquet there will be no mourning, no tears, and no shame. If we stop long enough to think, this is exactly how we would make the world if we had the choice; no death, no sadness, no regrets. And in today's Gospel reading we hear of the feast that the king gave for his son's wedding. Rather than expressing gratitude for the king's free gift, and earnestly attempting to respond to his invitation, we see that the invitees used their free wills to take different paths; "one went off to his farm, another to his business" and, remarkably, "the rest seized [the king's] servants, maltreated them and killed them" (Mt 22:5-6). It is one thing to politely decline the king's invitation, it is quite another thing to kill the king's servants. And so we hear that "those who were invited proved to be unworthy" ... to say the least (Mt 22:8)!

In the end we know that "the wedding hall was filled with

guests"; by those who responded to the king's - to God's - call (Mt 22:10). Thus, in this Gospel, we get to see the prize if we use our free wills wisely.

The question that should occupy our minds this week is: if we find ourselves at the banquet, will we be wearing a wedding garment? We are called, but will we be chosen?

Yours in Christ, Deacon Adam

This Sunday is Dying Peacefully No Euthanasia' Sunday

This is a reprise of the event that was first held in Queensland parishes last November 17. The ACBC were inspired to roll it out nationally in 2020. There are many misunderstandings about what dying entails and how the Catholic Church teaches one should respond to it. This Sunday October 11 is a day that might help clear up some of that confusion. The Archdiocese led by Archbishop Mark is in support of high quality palliative care, respect for patient autonomy, preservation of personal dignity and a peaceful end to life. We are attaching many support documents. Please read through them and prayerfully consider this important item in the upcoming election. Palliative care can be a time of healing and tenderness. There are many stories where this time was a loving and treasured time for families when the proper support was in place. Let us rally our government to increase funding for this high level of care for all.

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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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

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Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon Ps 129: 3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

First reading Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 22

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

- 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, to revive my drooping spirit. R/
- He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. R/
- You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. R/
- Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. R/

Second reading Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation cf Ephesians 1:17. 18

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the cross-roads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and

collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 33: 11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Is 45: 4-6;
2nd reading: 1 Thess 1: 1-5; Gospel: Mt 22: 15-21

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This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 12th:

R/ Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

Tuesday 13th:

R/ Let your loving kindness come to me, O Lord.

Wednesday 14th:

R/ Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

Thursday 15th: St Teresa of Jesus (Memorial)

R/ The Lord has made known his salvation.

Friday 16th:

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

Saturday 17th: St Ignatius of Antioch (Memorial)

R/ You gave your Son authority over all your creation.

REGISTRATION TO ATTEND MASS

A reminder that **you need to re-register each week** to attend Mass. If your registration happens to go over the limit on a given Sunday you will be placed on a waiting list and you will receive a confirmation.

If you unable to attend after booking - Please advise related Registrar below directly as soon as possible by phone or email, so your seat can be allocated to another person.

(Note: the Parish Office is unattended on weekends)

- St Ita's Church** (Vigil Mass only): **Saturday - 5pm**
Register to Eventbrite
<http://stitasdufftonpark.eventbrite.com> or
to Liam O'Rourke on 0411 033 321
- Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church: Sunday - 7am**
Register to Elvis Chua on 0450 029 410
or email elvis_chua@yahoo.com
- St Francis of Assisi Church: Sunday - 9am**
Register to Mary & Peter Sheehan on : 0419 697 773
or email peterwsheehan@bigpond.com
- St Mary's Church**
7am Monday - Friday daily mass
8am Saturday mass
9am Sunday mass
5pm Sunday mass
Register to Dianne Ezy on 0411 869 017 or email
ezzydi@bigpond.com

When you register please leave a clear message with name and telephone number

Important Notes

- We ask if you are unwell, please do not attend mass.
- Covid-19 protocols are in place.
- Please do not turn up to mass unless you have received confirmation that you are registered.



We need to tread lightly and carefully in making laws about end of life. We must be careful not to cause more suffering under the illusion that we are ending it. Legislation around euthanasia or voluntary assisted dying will be considered in Queensland early next year, so this is an important issue to consider as we prepare for the state election on October 31.

To explore a Catholic perspective on end-of-life visit <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/dying-peacefully/>



Love to the End

Heavenly Father

We pray for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

We ask that you may grant them the grace to endure their trials
and receive the reward of their faithfulness.

Show us how to care for those at the end of life with loving patience.

We pray for all doctors, nurses and care givers who answer the call
to serve You in the sick and dying.

May they be strengthened to continue to use their gifts in the service of life.

We pray for our law and policy makers,

may they always seek to serve the common good and

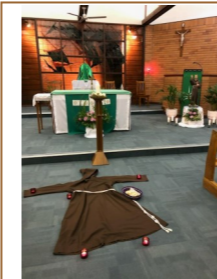
respect the dignity of all, especially the most vulnerable.

We pray for the freedom of all to act in accordance with their conscience.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Mary, Mother of all, pray for us!

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Thank you to all who joined at St Ita's Church on 3 Oct to pray with the Capuchin Friars during the Transitus and on their Feast Day.



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.



Thank you to our Sacramental Assistant Niken Westerman who has worked with the parish administration team for over 18 months in her role supporting our Sacramental Program and organising Baptisms, Weddings and weekly newsletter.

Thank you for the dedication you have shown to this role and the weekend hours involved in the program away from your family. We wish you all the best in your next season.

Fr Joshy Parappully



PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE - October

Pope Francis wants to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home.

To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October contact :
pastoral.sfbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au

(note all government directives for sanitising are followed).
If you would like a brochure on how to pray the rosary or any other information please see our church coordinators or Sr Salvacion for more information.

St. Mary's Church updates

St. Mary's Church will now have Youth Mass every 4th Sunday of the Month at 5pm.
(normal Covid-19 registration procedure apply - see page 2)

Pastoral Care Update

Dear Parishioners,

In our everyday lives we have been invited to share in Jesus' divine life. His invitation is not only once but He continually calls each of us to be His presence here on earth especially during this global pandemic.

The Pope says in one of his homilies: "We will never be able to get out of the crisis that has emerged from the pandemic mechanically, as the Christian way of doing this is not in a mechanical way but it is in a human way." With the new technology everyone relies on new tools-which are very important... "Father, there is artificial Intelligence. It is important. It keeps us moving forward". He continued: " Do not be afraid of these things knowing that not even the most sophisticated means will be able to do a thing; they will be able to do many things, but they will not be able to do one thing: "TENDERNESS" And tenderness is the very sign of Jesus' presence. That of approaching one's neighbour, to walk, to heal, to help, to sacrifice oneself for the other."

Truly to make a difference in someone's life, you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful or perfect. You don't need to be expert in using the latest electronic devices...You just have to care. These is what our team of volunteers are doing to show that we care and continue in spreading God's love and compassion. Let us always be kind. If you see someone falling behind, walk beside them. If someone is being ignored, find a way to include them. If someone has been knocked down, lift them up. Always remind people of their worth. **Be who you needed when you were going through hard times.** Just one small act of kindness could mean the world to someone. Everything happens for a reason and that reason causes change. Sometimes it hurts. Sometimes it's hard. But in the end it's all for the best... One of the elderly said: "Sometimes in life we just need a Hug... No words, no advice, just a hug to make you feel you matter. One hug a week is the best medicine to ease loneliness and mend that feeling of brokenness. Plus the bonus of yummy meals and a friendly conversation has brought us so much comfort and joy. Thank you and God bless you for all that you do for us oldies" During the week let us try to be the messenger of God, to be the message of God's love, mercy and tenderness to our brothers and sisters.

Have a great week to you all.
Sr. Salvacion, sfi