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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 15th May 2022 - Year C

The Glorious Mission

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If you knew you were about to die, what wisdom would you impart to your loved ones in your final moments? What's most important for them to learn from you?

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus knows that his time is short. The first thing he says to his friends are words of praise for God (the Father) while equating himself with God. He even calls his friends "children" as if he himself is God the Father! In so doing, he makes it clear that he is one with the Father -- so totally that the lines between Father and Saviour are blurred. And he does it humbly. He could have said, "Hey guys, in case you're not sure, I am divine. I am God. Worship me." But instead, he focuses on the glory of God.

Glory is the radiating light of God's presence: his love, his joy, his holiness, his peace, his wisdom, his creativity, and everything else that he imparts on those who want to bathe in his glory. When we glorify God, we are reflecting back to him this same glory. How much of this glory is illuminating your life?

After describing the exchange of glory between Father and Son, Jesus imparts to his disciples the highest wisdom of the universe: The key to successfully joining Jesus in the glory of God is to love as he Love is not love unless it unselfishly gives itself to others. Jesus unselfishly gave himself to us completely, even in death. Followers of Jesus are not true followers, disciples are not true disciples, priests are not true priests, lay leaders are not true leaders, unless they serve with love, in love, and through love.

The glory of God is love that gives itself completely, even sacrificially. Why does the Gospel reading give us a scene from the Passion of Christ while we're celebrating the season of Easter? The other readings are full of Easter: "Behold, I make all things new" (Rev. 21:5a). And yet here is Jesus preparing for betrayal, torture, and death. Why?

This Gospel reading is Jesus imparting to us today the key to continuing the mission of sharing God's glory, which Jesus began and now calls us to do. By loving one another in a spirit of sacrifice, we are showing the world that Jesus is real, he is risen, and he is alive in us.

Ouestions for Personal Reflection:

Whom do you not love? If you were able to give that person a gift of yourself as an act of love for the glory of God, what would that gift be?

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Welcome to New Parishioners

Please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. For more information about our parish or how to volunteer in the Church ministry or our activities, please contact the Parish Office below.

MASS TIMES

- St Mary's (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)
- Mon-Fri: 7am | Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
- Sunday: 9am and 5pm
- St Francis of Assisi (47 Dornoch Tce, West End) Sunday: 9am
- St Ita's (Pope St, Dutton Park)
- Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
- Sunday: 10.30am (Indonesian)

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour (Victoria St, Fairfield)

Sunday: 7am

CONFESSION

St Mary's Church

Fri: 7.30am-8am | Sat: 8.30am-9am | Sun: 4.15-4.45pm

St Ita's Church

By appointment (contact parish office)

More information: Websites: - <u>www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au</u> - www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

FB: - www.facebook.com/stmaryssouthbrisbane/ www.fb.me/duttonparkwestendcatholicparish

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading (Acts 14:21-27)

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 144: 8-13)

R: *I* will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R**/

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **R/**

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **R/**

Second reading (Apocalypse 21: 1-5)

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

Gospel Acclamation (John 13:34)

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel (John 13: 31-35)

When Judas had gone Jesus said:
'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.
'My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

Communion Antiphon (Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5)

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Next Sunday's readings:

1st reading: Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 **2nd reading**: Rev 21: 10-14, 22-23 **Gospel**: Jn 14: 23-29

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 16th:

R/ Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the glory.

Tuesday 17th:

R/ Your friends tell the glory of your kingship, Lord.

Wednesday 18th:

R/ Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Thursday 19th:

R/ Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

Friday 20th:

R/ I will praise you among the nations, O Lord.

Saturday 21st: R/ Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 2022

This week (16–22 May)

Australia celebrates National Volunteer Week (NVW). Together, through volunteering, we are changing communities for the better. We are, "Better Together".

We are very grateful and thankful for the valuable contribution of our Volunteers over the years who have helped to keep the wheels turning in our Parishes.

FUNDRAISING!!



St Francis Table - Ministry to the Elderly will hold a fundraising stall on the Election Day at St Francis' ground.

If anyone has marquee or big patio umbrella they could borrow, please contact the Parish Office.

Donation of some cakes, slices, white bread, sausages, etc, also greatly appreciated.

Don't forget to stop by at their stall and support their fundraising on your way to vote.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

• LAPTOP OPERATOR

Volunteer needed to operate power point slides at Mass each Sunday on a roster.

FLOWERS & HELPERS

Flowers and volunteer needed for flower arrangments at Sunday Mass.

If you have flowering bushes, shrubs trees, orchids, or colourful foliage, please consider donating each week, once a month or occasionally.

Please contact the Church Coordinator after Mass or contact the Parish Office.



Reconciliation Week Event!

An Evening With: Dr Noritta Morseu-Diop Welcome to Country: Gaya Kerry Charlton

Noritta has specialised in understanding the experiences of incarcerated Indigenous people, a topic she examined in depth through her PhD thesis & book: *Healing in Justice: Giving a Voice to the Silent and Forgotten People*.

Her ancestry extends from Aboriginal Australia to the Kulkalgal Nation and to the Dauareb Clan of the Meriam Nation. She has lived in Brisbane for nearly 40 years and worked as a grassroots social worker for 30 years in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities throughout Queensland in the areas of grief, loss, trauma, mental health, criminal justice, social, cultural, emotional and environmental health and wellbeing and community development.

Noritta is now developing a 'A Cultural Wellness & Yarning Place' at:

QCU Building 16 Peel Street, South Brisbane Friday 4 th June 6 – 8pm [arrive from 5:30] RSVP Phone 0401 733 359 email: office@antargld.org.au

This is a FREE event and the first on ANTaR Qld's calendar for 2022.

Federal Election 2022 Bishops' Statement Towards a better kind of politics



Read the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2022 election statement, *Towards a Better Kind of Politics*, to help you reflect on the

good you can do for the community by using your vote for the common good of all. The statement includes a Prayer for the Election

and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. Download a copy from <u>www.catholic.org.au</u>

SIGNS OF OUR TIME

You are invited to join us online for the official launch by Archbishop Mark Coleridge of the Signs of Our Times initiative.



When: Tuesday 31 May 2022 | Time: 6pm - 7pm

Pope Francis wants the Church to be on the streets where people are facing their daily struggles. Signs of Our Times encourages Catholics to do just that . It promotes accompaniment of people on the peripheries of society as an essential element of Catholic social action. It also fosters social action which is firmly grounded in scripture, the Church's social tradition and prayer. Jesus Christ is firmly at the centre of the action promoted by Signs of Our Times.

Learn how Signs of Our Times can support your efforts to act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with God. Also find out about exciting initiatives in which you can get involved. Join us by registering at: <u>Bit.ly/SOOTlaunch</u>

Signs of Our Times is a joint initiative of the Catholic Justice & Peace Commission of the Archdiocese of Brisbane and the Office for Justice Ecology & Peace of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.

HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARY

2022 Prayer Calendar for Seminarians and Priests

Thank you for your ongoing and generous support of seminarians in formation at Holy Spirit Seminary. With your support, these young men are being formed and educated to be leaders for our faith and Church.

As in previous years, we have prepared Holy Spirit Seminary prayer calendars and posters - you will see the fifteen young men in formation there (calendars & poster at the Church's reception area). Please pray for our seminarians.

www.catholicfoundsation.org.au/seminary



Pilgrim Virgin Statue May - October Invite a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home

The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue home family visitation is to aid families in responding to the requests made by the Blessed Mary during her apparitions at Fatima. The essence of

her requests is threefold: return to God; make reparation for sins; pray the Rosary for Peace.

To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH ACTIVITIES 2022

BAPTISMS

2nd Saturday - 9.30am: St Mary's Church (Family preparation sessions on the 4th Tuesday -Bookings essential.)

ADORATION

Sunday 4-5pm: St Mary's Church

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

- 1st Friday 7am: St Mary's Church
- 1st Saturday 5pm: St Ita's Church
- 1st Sunday 7am: OLPS Fairfield

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (School Term Only)

- Saturdays 5.00pm: St Ita's Church (Vigil Mass)
- Sundays 9.00am: St Mary's Church

FAMILY MASS

4th Saturday - 5pm: St Ita's Church (School term only - check dates on website)

ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

1st and 3rd Monday: 10am -1pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

PARISH PLANNED GIVING FOR 1ST & 2ND COLLECTIONS

Please consider giving to our planned giving program.

Thank you to the committed parishioners who financially support our parish every week. As you can imagine the cost of running and the upkeep of a parish this size takes a considerable amount and we ask that you prayerfully consider committing to assist our planned giving program.

Our parishes are separate with individual accounts - please download the correct one for you, complete and email back to the parish office directly.

Dutton Park Parish download: Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form

St Mary's Parish download: <u>St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form</u>

Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

Dutton Park Parish: BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 022 825 Ref: Your Last Name and Collections

St Mary's Parish South Brisbane BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 009 890 Ref: <u>Your Last Name and Collections</u>

(Please always use Reference of Your Last Name and the word Collections)

We also have **Tap n Go** see Church Coordinator at Mass.

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2022 TERRACE PAST MOTHERS' Mass and Morning Tea

Inviting all mothers of Terrace old boys to join in mass and morning tea on Sunday 22nd May 2022.

Time: 9am-12pm

Location: Chapel of the Holy Family, St Joseph's College, Gregory Terrace, Spring Hill Cost: \$35 includes morning tea RSVP: Wednesday 18th May 2022

Booking Link: <u>https://events.humanitix.com/2022</u> _terrace-past-mothers-mass-and-morning-tea





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