

PARISH ACTIVITIES 2022

BAPTISMS

- 2nd Saturday - 10am: 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

YOUTH MASS

- 4th Sunday - 5pm: St Mary's Church

PLANNED GIVING FOR 1ST & 2ND COLLECTIONS

Please consider giving to our planned giving program

I want to take this opportunity to thank 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. The easiest most hassle free way for you to do this is via our Direct Debit Program. Click on the links below to download the separate forms for each parish.

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:
[St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)

Other ways of giving:

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: Your Last Name and Collections

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

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

When was the last time you reviewed your will?

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2023 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN!



THURSDAY
24TH MARCH
OPEN DAY
9:00 - 10:30

- SCHOOL TOURS
- WELCOME BY STAFF & PARENTS
- PRINCIPAL ADDRESS



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A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

In many places throughout the world there is a shortage of priests and therefore religious sisters are the custodians of the faith. These sisters however often struggle to live and support the faithful, so across the course of a year ACN supports more than 18,000 religious sisters in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America.

Could you help support a religious sister?
Visit www.aidtochurch.org/sisters



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



Third Sunday of Lent - Year C 20th March 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are on the third Sunday of Lent and this weekend we are given the story of Moses from the book of Exodus to reflect about the nature of God which is full of mercy and compassion. The first reading tells us how God shows His mercy to His chosen people by giving them Moses as their leader and liberator. In a burning bush God appears to Moses and commission him to be the leader of His chosen people to liberate them from their suffering. God even reveals His identity as Yahweh "I AM Who AM" and renews His promise to be with him and assures His Divine presence with His people in their distress.

In the gospel we have the story of a fig tree that was given a second chance to bear fruit at the pleading the gardener. God gives us second chance to produce fruits repentance and come back to him. During Lent, too, we are given another chance to repent and return to our Heavenly Father's love. In order to save the tree and to produce fruits for the future the gardener did something helpful for the tree, he cleared the ground and added more manure. This is the time church gives us every year to clear our mind from the sinfulness of the world and refocus on our faith

and prayers to bear good fruits for the Lord and for one another. The "fruits" God expects from us during Lent are repentance, renewal of life, and the resulting virtues of love, compassion, mercy, forgiveness, selflessness, and humble service.

Let us start producing these fruits in our own personal lives, in the family and in our community becoming Christ like people more sensitive to the needs of others and by accepting each with love and respect.

God bless,
Fr Joshy Parappully

LENTEN PROGRAM 2022



Lenten Reflection - Remember

Every Thursday night during Lent at 7pm
St Francis Meeting Room

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday night during Lent at 7pm
St Mary's Church



MASS TIMES

- St Mary's (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)**
- Mon-Fri: 7am Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 - Sunday: 9am and 5pm
 - Youth Mass: 4th Sunday 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: 4-4.45pm
St Ita's Church: By appointment (contact parish office)

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading (Exodus 3:1-8,13-15)

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' Moses answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers,' he said, 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow, the home of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "I Am has sent me to you."' And God also said to Moses, 'You are to say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 102(103):1-4,6-8,11)

R: The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R/**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R/**

The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons. **R/**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him. **R/**

Second reading (1 Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12)

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they

had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

Gospel Acclamation (Matthew 4:17)

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel (Luke 13: 1-9)

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'"

Communion Antiphon (cf. Psalm 83:4-5)

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.

Next Sunday's readings:

1st reading: Joshua 5:9-12
2nd reading: 2 Cor 5:17-21
Gospel: Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR Psalm Responses

Monday 21st:

R/ My soul is thirsting for the living God: when shall I see him face to face?

Tuesday 22nd:

R/ Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Wednesday 23rd:

R/ Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

Thursday 24th:

R/ If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Friday 25th: Solemnity (The Annunciation of the Lord)

R/ Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Saturday 26th:

R/ It is steadfast love, not sacrifice, that God desires.

2 MINUTES CATECHISM

Why do Catholics confess their sins to a priest, rather than going directly to God?

Well, the quick answer is because that's the way God wants us to do it. In James 5:16, God, through Sacred Scripture, commands us to "confess our sins to one another." Notice, Scripture does not say confess your sins straight to God and only to God — it says confess your sins to one another. In Matthew, chapter 9, verse 6, Jesus tells us that He was given authority on earth to forgive sins. And then Scripture proceeds to tell us, in verse 8, that this authority was given to "men"...plural.

In John 20, verses 21-23, what is the first thing Jesus says to the gathered disciples on the night of His resurrection? "Jesus said to them, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.'" How did the Father send Jesus? Well, we just saw in Matthew 9 that the Father sent Jesus with the authority on earth to forgive sins. Now, Jesus sends out His disciples as the Father has sent Him... so, what authority must Jesus be sending His disciples out with? The authority on earth to forgive sins. And, just in case they didn't get it, verses 22-23 say this, "And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'"

Why would Jesus give the Apostles the power to forgive or to retain sins if He wasn't expecting folks to confess their sins to them? And how could they forgive or retain sins if no one was confessing their sins to them?

The Bible tells us to confess our sins to one another. It also tells us that God gave men the authority on Earth to forgive sins. Jesus sends out His disciples with the authority on earth to forgive sins. When Catholics confess our sins to a priest, we are simply following the plan laid down by Jesus Christ. He forgives sins through the priest...it is God's power, but He exercises that power through the ministry of the priest. (Taken from aleteia.org)



PROJECT COMPASSION THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice and the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income and employment, while keeping culture alive.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow
For All Future Generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, or visit lent.caritas.org.au, or call 1800 024 413.

ST FRANCIS TABLE MINISTRY News update

A LENTEN PILGRIMAGE

Last Saturday myself and eight volunteers of St. Francis Table Ministry who responded to the invitation to join the Saturday retreat a Morning's Prayer "A Lenten Pilgrimage" at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston to get away and spend some quality time with God.



Facilitated by Shane Dwyer and the Evangelisation Brisbane Adult Formation Team, with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing and aims to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life and to grow deeper in our relationship with God especially during this season of Lent.

We are indeed grateful for the support of the Catholic Foundation Grant. Without this grant it would not be possible for us all to take part in this spiritual retreat. Everyone has taken a huge takeaway Graces from this retreat.

There will be another retreat coming up on the 9th April, 9am-12noon. If anyone interested to join the retreat or for more information please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you and
God bless,
Sr. Salvacion



ST MARY'S PASSION PLAY Good Friday, 15 April at 2.30pm



Sr Salvacion is calling for all children who are interested in participating in this year's Passion Play on Good Friday at St Mary's Church, South Brisbane at 2.30pm.

1st rehearsal: Sunday, 3 April after 9am Mass
2nd rehearsal: Sunday, 10 April after 9am Mass

Please see Sr Salvacion after mass or contact the Parish Office if your child is interested.



TRANSFORMING POWER

- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander-led Transformation
- Gender Justice: Equality & Equity
- Allyship

Get involved, sign the pledge, host an event.

Thursday 17 March is Close the Gap Day. It is a time to focus on closing the gap in the living standards between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians and other Australians, especially in health. Find out more at <https://antar.org.au/campaigns/national-close-gap-day>