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20th April 2025

SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter



Why look among the dead for someone who is alive

How Do the Dead Rise?

I was always afraid of Michael Jackson's *Thriller* film clip. I thought it was terrifying—the idea that dead people could rise from their graves and dance their way down the street toward you never excited me. No dark street has ever felt the same since.

But when we talk about the Resurrection of the Body, as revealed through Christ Himself, I can firmly say—without a shadow of a doubt—that our bodies will not rise from the graves like Michael Jackson's minions. Instead, our souls will be united with glorified bodies through the power of our Trinitarian God. This union of soul and glorified body is exemplified in the person of Jesus. What it will look like is beyond us, but we submit ourselves to the mystery through faith in Christ, who "will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body."

This, in a very real and tangible way, is why modern ideologies that deny the body can never be compatible with Christianity. It doesn't make sense to reject the reality of the body based on how one might identify. The body is a non-negotiable part of who we are—especially as Christians.

For us Christians, the body matters. Of course, we acknowledge its weaknesses—particularly its vulnerability to sin—but more importantly, Jesus Himself rose with the same body that had been abused, torn, and broken by humanity. And yet, somehow, it was different: all the brokenness had been redeemed.

As people of faith, we're already given a foretaste of Christ's transfiguration of our bodies whenever we participate in the Eucharist. The Catechism tells us: "Just as bread that comes from the earth, after God's blessing has been invoked upon it, is no longer ordinary bread but Eucharist, formed of two things, the one earthly and the other heavenly; so too our bodies, which partake of the Eucharist, are no longer corruptible but possess the hope of resurrection" (CCC #1000).

Within all who partake of the Eucharist dwells this very hope—the hope of resurrection. That hope is in you!

So, if we truly want to delve into the question *How do the dead rise?* then our starting point must be the Eucharist. This great gift is one we do not deserve, and yet the Lord has given it to us so that we, too, might one day share in the glory of God. May we partake truthfully and regularly so that—through the source and summit of our faith—we may become what we eat: people transformed by God.

Take that, death!

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 Parishoners

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

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Sacramental Program Confirmation

To enrol please download form using the QR Code _____

Calling all children in Grade 3 and above to join our Confirmation program!





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PROJECT COMPASSION

This Lent, we are called to Unite Against Poverty through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion. Your generous support this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need.





Please donate

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. <u>Or online at</u>: caritas.org.au/projectcompassion <u>Or by calling</u>: 1800 024 413 Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty this Lent.

Divine Mercy SUNDAY St Mary's Sunday, 27 April

 3.00pm The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Holy Rosary, Readings from the Diary of St Faustina;
 4.00pm Adoration, Confession;
 5.00pm Parish Mass including Blessing of Divine Mercy Images.
 Note: Divine Mercy Novena commences on Good Friday.

A plenary indulgence is granted on this day under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff). Our Lord said to St. Faustina: "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and

punishment." (Diary 699) "When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy." (Diary 1602)



Parish Amalgamation:

"we recently published information about the amalgamation. Got questions? Check out our FAQ's and scan the QR code for more info!"



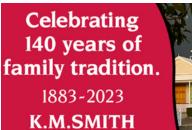


A celebration for the canonisation of Bl Carlo Acutis



3pm Sun 27 St Stephen's Cathedral







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