

Embracing the communities of: St Mary's South Brisbane, St Francis of Assisi West End, St Ita's Dutton Park and Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Fairfield



Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars

The community of St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parishes stand.

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A - 20th August 2023

Good News Reflection: OUTSIDERS

The Gospel reading for this Sunday challenges us to examine our tendency to judge others. The Canaanite woman had two reasons why the disciples might have judged her as unworthy of Jesus' attention: her gender and nationality.

Of course, Jesus was there as Savior for the whole world, but the disciples didn't know it yet. To stretch their minds (and ours), Jesus waited for the Canaanite woman's faith to become so obvious that it would overshadow every limitation that had been imposed upon her.

For Jesus, the only outsider is someone who refuses to come into the kingdom of God. But we don't readily think like this. Our Church is full of people who have been misjudged. Many feel outcast. We easily jump to wrong conclusions about each other.

For example, how readily do you greet the people near you in the pew if you don't know them? How comfortable are you about engaging in friendly conversation after Mass someone who looks unhappy? Does your parish make it easy for single parents to come to extra activities at church by providing free babysitters?

If you're divorced, do you assume that others are deliberately excluding you? That too is usually a misjudgment.

Why do homosexuals feel outcast even though Church teachings have been issued that compassionately invite them to a holy lifestyle?

Why are there lay people who feel blocked from being collaborators in ministry with their priests?

Judging our fellow Christians causes them to suffer. It also allows unmet needs to continue in the Church, because the giftedness of the judged is being rejected. But if we remain conscious of our own tendencies to react to others with assumptions and judgments, we have the power to choose to be Christ for them and to receive Christ from them.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Have you ever felt like an outsider? Even in the presence of Christ? How have you been pushed aside and neglected? What kind of damage did it do? Are you willing to try again to get more involved?

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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 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> - <u>www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au</u>

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 66(67):2-3,5-6,8

R: O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R**/

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R**/

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R**/

Second reading: Romans 11:13-15,29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

Communion Antiphon: Ps 129: 7

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 21st: Memorial (St Pius X) Lord, remember us, for the love you bear your people.

Tuesday 22nd: Memorial (The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary) The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

Wednesday 23rd: Lord, your strength gives joy to the king.

Thursday 24th: Feast (St Bartholomew) Your friends tell the glory of your kingship, Lord.

Friday 25th: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Saturday 26th: See how the Lord blesses those who fear him.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

2nd reading: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

If you know anyone who is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion at their home, please contact the Parish Office (details at the back page).

MASS INTENTION

If you wish to have a mass intention for your departed loved ones, please use the envelope provided at the foyer of the Churches.

Please print the names for whom the mass is intended clearly with the specific date of the mass, and hand it in to the Priest/Church Coordinator.

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE (MAY- OCTOBER)

Invite the Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home between May to October and commit to pray the Rosary everyday while it is at your home.



Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements.



Are you in High School? (Grades 7 to 12)

Come and join us for Faith, Fun & Friendship at St Mary's on Sunday, 27 August commencing at 10.15 am to 12 noon. Enquiries: Dianne – mobile 0411869017.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU FROM ST MARY'S to everyone who supported St Mary's Feast Day and the Raffle drawn last Sunday.

Congratulations to the prize winners and THANK YOU to all those who sold and purchased tickets supporting the Church Restoration Fund.

RESULTS OF 2023 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Prize	Ticket No.	Winner
1 st Prize Hisense 55" A7HAU 4K UHD LED Smart Television +JBL Bluetooth HDMI Soundbar	5021	D. Brail
2 nd Prize Nintendo Switch Neon Console (Neon) + Mario Kart 8 Deluxe	1801	S. Tse
3 rd Prize Coles Group & Myer Gift Card	3023	J. McDougall
4 th Prize EUFY Robovac 25C	5377	R. Chambers
5 th Prize Ninja Foodi Dual Zone Air Fryer	4759	F. Heise
6 th Prize Caltex Fuel Voucher	4859	Sr. Salvacion

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1.	Inspire Health Services \$500 voucher	4842	D. Mogucki		
2.	Norman Hotel \$100 voucher	0479	Milou Kilpatrick		
3.	Norman Hotel \$100 voucher	4090	M. Chua-Lao		
4.	Discount Chemist \$100 hamper	3346	J. Thgueros		
5.	Rebel Sports \$65 Accessories	2758	L. Bolger		
6.	Swiss Gourmet Deli \$50 voucher	1931	G. Pidgeon		
7.	The Raven Hotel \$50 voucher	0927	S. Battams		
8.	The Coffee Club \$50 voucher	3200	A. Tripp		
9.	Dollars & Cents \$50 household products	3980	D. O'Hare		
10.	Dollars & Cents - \$50 household products	0249	S. D'Cruz		
11.	\$25 Wines	1018	D. Lockitt		
12.	Jigsaw Puzzle	2556	W. Lambre		



ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 19 - 20 August

This weekend is the Annual Catholic Campaign. It is the one time a year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and the local community.

Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish. The Campaign supports training future priests, caring for our elderly and retired priests, helping local families in dire need access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our community.



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