

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

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](#)

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Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

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BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 022 825
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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.

Federal Election 2022-Bishops' Statement

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 www.catholic.org.au



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Please return all Project Compassion envelopes/boxes by Easter Sunday to your local church and hand it to Father after Mass.

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THURSDAY 24TH MARCH

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 24th April 2022 - Year C

Alive in the Spirit of Mercy

This Sunday's Gospel reading sets the stage for Pentecost. Prior to giving us the full gift of his Spirit, Jesus provides the gift of peace, the gift of his heart. A supernatural gift, it penetrates deep into our own hearts. It is the calming presence of Christ when we face challenges and difficulties.

Jesus bestowed it upon his first apostles twice in the same meeting shortly after his resurrection. Then he gave them the life-breath of God, the Holy Spirit, and commissioned them with the priesthood of forgiving the sins of others -- another gift that brings peace.

This gift of peace has been distributed by Jesus ever since, through the ordained priesthood in what we now call the Sacrament of Reconciliation. And to hold us steady in our efforts to remain holy, Jesus still gives us the breath of God. This breath, this life-sustaining presence of God's Spirit, which created the world and which keeps us spiritually alive, is the Holy Spirit -- God's holiness activating us and dwelling within us.

Whatever is not holy -- not of the Spirit -- is sinful and destructive. Jesus, who is the embodiment of Divine Mercy, died on the cross and gave us his Spirit so that we could live in the forgiveness of God.

Whenever you pray the "Our Father", do it slowly and intentionally, and pay attention to these words: "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us." Think of the people who have irritated

you the most or who have continued to behave hurtfully without remorse. Consciously forgive them during this prayer.

Otherwise, your unforgiveness could affect their eternal souls as well as your own, because you're denying them an opportunity to understand God's forgiveness through your example, and you're denying God the opportunity to forgive you for your sin of unforgiveness.

Forgiveness doesn't mean approving of the sin nor forgetting what was done. It means letting go of the desire to retaliate. It means choosing to love whether it's deserved or not. It means entering anew into Christ's gift of peace.

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ANZAC DAY 25 April 2022
Lest we forget

*They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them
Lest we forget*

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: 4.15-4.45pm

St Ita's Church: By appointment (contact parish office)

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading (Acts 5:12-16)

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 117:2-4, 22-27)

R: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end'.

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.' **R/**

The stone which the builders rejected
Has become the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord,
A marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
We rejoice and are glad. **R/**

O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord

Is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

The Lord God is our light. **R/**

Second reading (Rev 1:9-13, 17-19)

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation (John 20:19-31)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;

Happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Gospel ((John 20:19-31)

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,

So am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

They are forgiven;

For those whose sins you retain,

They are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 25th:

R/ I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

Tuesday 26th: Feast (St Mark)

R/ For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Wednesday 27th:

R/ The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Thursday 28th: Memorial (St Peter Chanel)

R/ The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Friday 29th: Memorial (St Catherine of Siena)

R/ One thing I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord.

Saturday 30th:

R/ Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

THE MONTH OF MAY

Within the cycle of a year, the Church unfolds the whole of the mystery of Christ, from his incarnation and birth until his ascension, the day of Pentecost and the expectation of blessed hope and of the Lord's return. In celebrating this annual cycle of Christ's mysteries, the Church honours with special love Mary, the Mother of God, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. In her, the Church holds up and admires the most excellent effect of the redemption and joyfully contemplates, as in a flawless image, that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be.



Pilgrim Virgin Statue May - October

Invite a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is there. To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Enrolment for Sacrament of Confirmation is closing soon!



The Sacrament of Confirmation is for children in year 3 or older.

Completed forms to be returned to the Parish Office by Tuesday 26th April 2022.

Please download the forms from our websites

www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au or

www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

CONGRATULATIONS!

Last Saturday during Easter Saturday Vigil Mass at St Mary's Church the Candidates and the Catechumens for 2022 RCIA program have received the full communion into the Catholic Church.

We congratulate and welcome them to our Parish, with a prayer;

May the Father always watch over them,

May the Son ever bless them,

And may the Spirit always guide them.

Amen



Special thank you to Sarah and Deacon Adam for assisting Sr. Salvacion in this year's program.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 24 APRIL ST MARY'S CHURCH



• 3.00pm

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Holy Rosary, Readings from the Diary of St Faustina;

• 4.00pm

Blessing of Divine Mercy Images, Adoration and Confession;

• 5.00pm

Parish Mass

2 MINUTES CATECHISM

Divine Mercy Sunday

Saint Faustina: Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th Century, when civilization began to experience an "eclipse of the sense of God" and, therefore to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary.

Divine Mercy Sunday: St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be observed, for example:

My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. ... Let no soul fear to draw near to Me. ... It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (Diary, no. 699)

On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

The Image: Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left touching his garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that "Jesus, I trust in You" be inscribed under his image. Jesus asked that his image be painted and venerated throughout the world: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish" (Diary, no. 48) and "By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls" (Diary, no. 742).

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy: The Chaplet was also given to St. Faustina with this promise: "Encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you" (Diary, no. 1541). "Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. ... Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy" (Diary, no. 687).
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