

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

25th May 2025

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said.

Our first reading this weekend outlines the important meeting they had around the question, was Christianity for everyone?

St Paul had already been reaching out to Gentiles in his ministry but the Jews were wrestling with the call that God promised to Abraham. Was God exclusively for the Jews?

The final decision of this Council shifted the trajectory of Christianity for ever. Over the history of the Church we've seen many followers of Christ take on the mantle of mission "going out" to meet the unbeliever.

This call to evangelise the world continues for us today. Does the mission have a Church or does the Church have a mission?

I'd say that the mission has a Church. What's the mission then? Well, to Proclaim the Good News to the nations and baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

What happens in our daily lives might not look like what's expressed in these words, but I hope and pray that the missionary preference is deepened within all of the faithful who are part of the Church.

It's all well and good that we come to Mass on Sunday and pray before we eat, these are valuable practices within the life of the Church, but how are we mission orientated? Do I meet everyone with a sense of communicating God to them? Or is it just another face to face contact with no substantial meaning?

I'm not here to ridicule all our engagements, but I am certainly here to challenge the status quo. I'm challenged by these questions myself. As we look towards amalgamation, might we hold in prayer a missionary spirit that as a Parish we might also develop a missionary imagination and truly reach out to the unbeliever, the atheist, those who are yet to hear the Good News and those who have heard the Good News.

Christianity is for all people. May we be part of the revolution that renews and transforms all people leading them to the Saviour and Lord; Jesus Christ.

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 Parishoners 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

Readings at Mass

First Reading

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66: 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

Apocalypse 21: 10-14, 22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14: 23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 14: 23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give,
this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.

I shall not talk with you any longer,
because the prince of this world is on his way.

He has no power over me,
but the world must be brought to know
that I love the Father

and that I am doing exactly what the Father told me.'



Next Sunday Readings:

Acts 1: 1-11, Ps 46: 2-3, 6-9

Eph 1: 17-23, Lk 24: 46-53



Upcoming Events & News

romero CENTRE
love has no borders

The Romero Centre is a ministry of the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane

welcome walk

No one should walk alone

Sunday 15th June, 1pm | Orleigh Park, West End

The Welcome Walk is the Romero Centre's major annual fundraising appeal and a fantastic opportunity to welcome people seeking asylum in Brisbane.

to find out more, please scan the **QR CODE**



Pilgrim Virgin Statue – May-October Invitation

During the months of May-October, the month dedicated to Our Lady, we invite you to welcome the Pilgrim Virgin Statue into your home. While the statue is with your family, we encourage you to:

- Pray the Rosary daily
- Set up a small prayer space for reflection and devotion
- Grow closer as a family in faith

This is a beautiful opportunity to honour Our Blessed Mother and invite her presence into your home. To arrange a visit, please contact the

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stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au or southbristbane@bne.catholic.net.au

Let us journey together in prayer this May.



Working Bee at St Francis Church!
Help us freshen up our beloved space.

31 MAY 2025
Time: 9am - 1pm
Where: St Francis Church

Tea, coffee & good company provided!

What needs doing?
Cleaning the verandah
Dusting and wiping down ceiling fans
A general tidy-up of the hall

Please contact the Parish Office 33243736 for more info

Whether you can spare an hour or the whole morning, every bit helps!



Upcoming Paint Work at St Mary's

Please be advised that painting works will be taking place at St Mary's Church toward the end of May. The work will include freshening up some areas of the church buildings, so you may notice scaffolding, paint equipment, and restricted access in certain spots during this time.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to keep our church looking beautiful and welcoming for all.



National Volunteer Week 19-25 MAY 2025
Connecting Communities
#NVW2025






We're grateful to everyone who has generously contributed their time, skills, and passion to causes close to their hearts at St Mary's and Dutton Park.



Thank you to all our Volunteers!!

Parish Amalgamation Update:
Thank You for Your Feedback

We appreciate everyone who shared thoughts on our Parish name and Mass times. To find out more, please scan the QR CODE.

Don't miss our next Youth Group!
St Ita's Primary School

6 JUNE, 2025

Come join us!




Community News

A few notes:



**Sorry Day
Prayer Service**

26th May 2025
10:30 am
Musgrave Park
(Near the Croquet Club)

**Bring a plate to share
for fellowship**

Join us as we gather in
prayer asking
God for healing,
reconciliation and
truth. All are welcome

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Mass Times

ST MARY'S**20 Merivale St, South Brisbane**

- Mon-Fri: 7am | Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
- Sun: 9am & 5pm

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI**47 Dornoch Tce, West End**

- Sun: 9am

ST ITA'S**247 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park**

- Sat(Vigil): 5pm
- Sun: 10:30am (Indonesian)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR**72 Victoria St Fairfield**

- Sun: 7am

CONFESSIONS**St Mary's**

Fri: 7:30-8am | Sat 8:30am-9am
Sun: 4:15pm-4:45pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES**BAPTISMS**

- Sat: 10am

Booking is essential

Contact Parish Office 07 3324 3736

PRAYER & ADORATION

- Tue: 6:30pm - St Mary's Church
- Sun: 4pm - St Mary's Church

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

- Sat: after 8am Mass until Sundays 8:30am

ANointing OF THE SICK MASS

- 1st Fri - 7am - St Mary's Church
- 1st Sat - 5pm - St Ita's Church
- 1st Sun - 7am - OLPS Fairfield

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (SCHOOL TERM ONLY)

- Sun: 9am - St Mary's Church

ST FRANCIS TABLE - MINISTRY TO THE ELDERLY

- 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am - 1pm

Have you considered Planned Giving?

Many parishioners use Direct Debit for 'Planned Giving' to support the upkeep of the parish of Dutton Park & South Brisbane.

We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to our planned giving program.

Please Contact the Parish 07 3324 3736 if you are interested.

St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish have zero tolerance for abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in their activities, ministries and service. The safety of children and adults at risk is paramount.

To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550

For more information visit:

www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding