

Parish Activities in 2020

BAPTISMS

Saturday | 10.00am | monthly
 1st Saturday St Francis of Assisi, West End
 2nd Saturday St Mary's, South Brisbane
 3rd Saturday St Ita's, Dutton Park

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10.00am. Bookings essential.

PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION

Monday to Friday: 12-2pm at St Mary's Church

AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Prayer Group: Tuesday 7pm at St Mary's Church
 website: awaken.org.au

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM

3rd Sunday of the month | St Francis Hall 1.30-3pm

ADORATION & DIVINE MERCY

Sunday: 4-5pm St Mary's Church

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the month | St Mary's Church 7am
 1st Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7am

NEW PARISHIONERS

We would like to help you feel at home in the Parish. Would you please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. Welcome leaflets with basic information about the parish are also available either at the door of the church or by contacting the parish office. Thank you for becoming part of our community.

ADORATION & PRAYER
 EVERY TUESDAY
 7pm – 8.30pm
 St Mary's Church
 20 Merivale St, South Brisbane

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PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE - October
 Pope Francis wants to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home.
 To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October contact :
pastoral.stbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au
 (note all government directives for sanitising are followed).
 If you would like a brochure on how to pray the rosary or any other information please see our church coordinators or Sr Salvacion for more information.

The Catholic Bishops of Queensland
 A staggering 20,000 people in Queensland are experiencing homelessness—this is 1 in every 200 Queenslanders (source, Australian Bureau of Statistics). This includes people who are sleeping rough, as well as people who are staying in temporary, unstable or substandard accommodation. How can we make a difference on this issue? How will you use your Queensland State Election vote for the benefit of the whole community? You can find out more about the issues you might reflect on when you cast your vote at <https://bit.ly/3kd5Rj2>

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PARISH PLAN GIVING
 Our faith sustains us through challenging times. Now, more than ever, your support is needed to help our parishes to continue their valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. To assist you to support our parishes during this time, you can now give via the following methods:

- Parish Giving App
- Internet Transfer directly to our Bank Accounts.
Bank Account details for Dutton Park West End Parish are:
 BSB: 064-786
 Acc No: 006 226 001
 Acc Name: Dutton Park Catholic Parish
 Reference: Last Name - collections
Bank Account details for St Mary's Account are:
 BSB: 064-786
 Acc No: 007 230 100
 Acc Name: St Mary's Catholic Church
 Reference: Last Name - collections
- Online: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>.

We invite each of you to join with us at the Awaken Adoration and Prayer Evening each Tuesday evening at St Mary's Church. Adoration is simply beautiful, it is a time to adore our Lord. Join with us as we lift up our state to heaven through the rosary and all who need mercy through the Divine Mercy Chaplet.



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



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25 October 2020 - Year A

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
 Today's gospel begins with a question of a Pharisee, which is the greatest commandment of the Law? Those days in Jewish culture they had 613 different Commandments to follow to be perfect; and 248 of them were favourable to do while 365 were things that ought not to be done. So, naturally he has the doubt which is most important law among all these. Quoting from Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18, Jesus tells them that this is the first and most important Commandment. The Gospel of today tells us that we ought to love God our Lord with all our hearts, soul and strength and love our neighbour as we love ourselves. Why Jesus tells us to love God first because God loves us wholly, completely, and perfectly. There is no limit, no holding back, no compromising on his part. His love is not subject to changing moods or circumstances. When God gives, he gives generously, abundantly, freely, and without setting conditions to the gift of his love. His love does not waver, but is firm, consistent, and constant. He loves us in our weakness - in our fallen and sinful condition. That is why the Father sent his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to redeem us from slavery to sin and to restore us to the status of children of God.

Experiencing that Love of God, we are all called to love our neighbour, who is in need of my love, care and support; this needy neighbour could one in my own family, community

and in parish church. Love of God is the essence of our Christian life. Our Christian faith is based on the love of God and the love of our neighbours. So, let this be our prayer today, Lord Jesus, your love surpasses all. Flood my heart with your love and increase my faith and hope in your promises. Help me to give myself in generous service to others as you have so generously given yourself to me.

God bless you
 Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap
 Parish Priest

Statement by Archbishop Mark regarding the Queensland Government's announcement to rush euthanasia legislation before the parliament in February:
 A couple of Sundays ago across Queensland we celebrated Dying Peacefully – No Euthanasia Sunday. Last Sunday, with impeccable timing, the Premier announced out of the blue that, if re-elected, the Labor government would rush euthanasia legislation before the parliament in February next year. In May this year Anastacia Palaszczuk made a clear announcement to the parliament that she would refer the report of the parliamentary enquiry to the Queensland Law Reform Commission which would present its report to the Attorney General by 1 March 2021 for final consideration by the government before putting the proposed legislation to the parliament.
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MASS TIMES
St Mary's Church (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)
 Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm
 Youth Mass: 4th Sunday 5pm
 (Anointing 1st Friday of each month)
St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am
St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

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 OLPS Church: Elvis Chua 045 0 029 410.
 St Francis of Assisi Church: Liam Cunnane 0477 306 166
 St Mary's Church: Chris Bolger 0407 480 205
 Awaken: Dianne Ezzy 0411 869 017

CONFESSION
St Mary's Church:
 Fri: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm
St Ita's Church: Sat: 4-4.50pm

ST ITA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
 247 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park, Qld 4102
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Email: pduptonpark@bne.catholic.edu.au
Web: www.stitaduttonpark.qld.edu.au

Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 104: 3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

First reading Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this:

"You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him; you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 17(18):2-4,47,51 I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise,
when I call I am saved from my foes. R/

Long life to the Lord, my rock!

Praised be the God who saves me,
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. R/

Second reading 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation John 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 Matthew 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 19: 6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14;
2nd reading: 1 John 3: 1-3; Gospel: Mt 5: 1-12

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This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 26th:

R/ Behave like God as his very dear children.

Tuesday 27th:

R/ Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Wednesday 28th: Sts Simon and Jude (Feast)

R/ Their message goes out to all the earth..

Thursday 29th:

R/ Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!

Friday 30th:

R/ How great are the works of the Lord!

Saturday 31st: Mass of Virgin Mary

R/ My soul is thirsting for the living God.

REGISTRATION TO ATTEND MASS

A reminder that **you need to re-register each week** to attend Mass. If your registration happens to go over the limit on a given Sunday you will be placed on a waiting list and you will receive a confirmation. **If you unable to attend after booking - Please advise related Registrar below directly as soon as possible by phone or email, so your seat can be allocated to another person.** (Note: the Parish Office is unattended on weekends)

- **St Ita's Church** (Vigil Mass only): **Saturday - 5pm**
Register to Eventbrite (**Vacancies most Saturdays**)
[Http://stitasduttonpark.eventbrite.com](http://stitasduttonpark.eventbrite.com) or
to Liam O'Rourke on 0411 033 321
- **Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church: Sunday - 7am**
Register to Elvis Chua on 0450 029 410
or email elvis_chua@yahoo.com (**Vacancies every Sunday**)
- **St Francis of Assisi Church: Sunday - 9am**
Register to Mary & Peter Sheehan on : 0419 697 773
or email peterwsheehan@bigpond.com
- **St Mary's Church**
7am Monday - Friday daily mass
8am Saturday mass
9am Sunday mass
5pm Sunday mass
Register to Dianne Ezy on 0411 869 017 or email
ezzydi@bigpond.com

Alternatively o see other masses in our Central Deanery you can visit <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/parishes-mass-times/find-mass-or-service/>

Important Notes

- We ask if you are unwell, please do not attend mass.
- Covid-19 protocols are in place.
- Please do not turn up to mass unless you have received confirmation that you are registered.

Food Processor - Thank you to all who responded to the call to support St Francis Table your generous donations will enable us to purchase a commercial grade food processor for Sr Salvacion and her team.



Reconciliation Action Plan Date Claimer:

Mass to Launch the Reconciliation Action Plan,
St Stephen's Cathedral **2pm Tuesday 17 November.**

Cont'dShe said in May that it was important to "get this right" and therefore not to rush the process.

So the question now is: Why the rush? The Premier says it's because so many people asked her to hasten the process – but that doesn't convince. It's more likely that the Premier has succumbed to political pressure of one kind or another, and one can only speculate as to what that might be.

But the larger question concerns the politicisation of what the Premier has acknowledged is a complex and delicate issue. Of course it was always going to be political, but to make it front and centre in the maelstrom of an electoral campaign makes it intensely political in a way that does no justice to the complexity and delicacy of the issue. Inevitably too it makes people like me and Anglican Archbishop Phillip Aspinall who joined me in a public statement seem partisan in the electoral context when neither of us wants to play the partisan game. The question of euthanasia is quite literally a matter of life and death; and there are no issues more important for a community and for individuals than those that touch life and death. They matter even more than politics. But the Premier's decision suggests that politics trumps all else, that votes or support from key constituencies matter more than human life and human dignity. The contradictions abound. A government which has set great political store on closing borders to protect life now pushes legislation which jeopardises life. At a time when suicide is a national problem – especially among youth and First Nations people – the government wants to sanction suicide in law, saying that suicide in some contexts is an acceptable solution. The government may also claim that they want both better palliative care and voluntary assisted dying. But the assumptions underlying palliative care and VAD are so utterly different that they are in the end incompatible.

A choice has to be made, and the one really human choice is properly funded palliative care.

Reflection on Love

The 5 Love Languages

The author explains that "something in our nature cries out to be loved by another. Isolation is devastating to the human psyche. At the heart of humankind's existence is the desire to intimate and to be loved by another. When you speak another's love language the result is the filling of their 'love tank'. When the person feels secure in your love, the whole world looks bright and they will move out to reach their highest potential in life. Our relationships can benefit when we're able to understand and speak all these languages fluently.

1. **Words of Affirmation** - The tongue has the power of life and death" (*Proverbs 18:21*). Actions don't always speak louder than words. If this is your love language, unsolicited compliments mean the world to you.

2. **Acts of Service** - Can vacuuming the floors really be an expressions of love? Absolutely! Anything you do to ease the burden of responsibilities weighing on an "Acts of Service" person will speak volumes. The words that he/she most wants to hear is "Let me do that for you".

3. **Receiving Gifts** - Don't mistake this love language for materialism; the receiver of gifts thrives on the love, thoughtfulness and effort behind the gift. If you speak this language, the perfect gift or gesture shows that you are known, you are cared for and you are prized above whatever was sacrificed to bring the gift to you.

4. **Quality Time** - In the vernacular of Quality Time nothing says "I love you," like full, undivided attention. Being there for this type of person is critical, but really being there—the TV off, fork and knife down and all the chores and tasks on standby makes your significant other feel truly special and loved.

5. **Physical Touch** - This language isn't all about sexual intimacy. A person whose primary language is Physical Touch is, not surprisingly, very touchy. hugs, pats on the back, holding hands
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We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Alma Joyce Wiley and Barry John Wiley



Divine Renovation Australasia Launch Webinar
Please visit <https://www.tfaforms.com/4857335> to register for this exciting launch event happening on **October 24th, 2020 - 9:30-11am Sydney time (AEDT)**. We encourage you to

share this event with your family, friends and on social media. The Holy Spirit has been breathing new life into dry bones. All are welcome to join us as we cast vision for what is possible in Australia and New Zealand and officially launch the DR Australasia office with Fr James Mallon, Dan O'Rourke, Fiona O'Reilly and Kevin Bailey.

We wanted to share with you a new program on Shalom World. **UNBURDEN** Are you struggling and weighed down with sickness, fractured relationships, addictions, anxiety, financial burdens, or a broken heart? Do you need support and guidance in your life? We are here to listen, to help, and to pray. Join Shalom World for a new program series: 'UNBURDEN,' hosted by Robert Falzon. Share your struggles, pain and burdens to the mail ID: unburden@shalomworld.org and we will pray with you for healing and guidance during the program. Your personal information will be kept confidential. **menALIVETeam**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U399ak261Jo>

Pastoral Care Update

Dear Parishioners,

Over the past few weeks we have been reflecting on how we could become effective and authentic living witnesses of God in our everyday lives and to give back to God all Glory and Honour. During the week myself and the team of volunteers have had so many wonderful and touching experiences as we continue to encounter and see Christ in the faces of our vulnerable brothers and sisters whom we serve and are whom are having a very tough time. We're glad to be able to reach out and provide basic necessities and bring hope to two more families who are in a difficult time. A single Mum who needed support and a family with three children whose Dad is having a health problem. Last Saturday after the First Holy Communion at St.Mary's, I visited the family, gave them basic food supplies to keep them going and brought them the Pilgrim Statue of Mary as the month of October being the month of the Holy Rosary and we prayed together. They were so happy and felt Blessed to receive help from the Parish community. I recall the words of the Psalmist, "the Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy" (Ps 126:3) We are indeed filled with joy as we welcome our youngest Volunteer to join our team. Thank You Genevieve for your excellent performance, thank you for sharing your baking and cooking skills, but most of all for sharing your love, care and compassion. I'm also forever grateful for all who continue to pray, donate goods and offer financial support to keep this ministry running and make a difference. During the week let us keep in mind that our love of God is a sham if we do not express our love for the people whom we do see. Love of God and neighbour cannot be separated. They spring from the one source God's love for us.

God Bless and have a great week to you all.
Sr. Salvacion, sfi

cont..... and thoughtful touches on the arm, shoulder, or face can all be ways to show excitements, concern, care and love. (Taken from *Inform Bulletin* and adapted for this newsletter) Dr Gary Chapman's book *The Five Love Languages* can be purchased from *The Mustard Seed Bookshop* www.mustardseed.org.au