



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



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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 25 February 2024 - Year B

Friends,

It's been about a month since I arrived in the Parish, and I'm privileged to have met so many of you already.

Thank you for the way you've welcomed Fr Ravi and I over the past couple of weeks.

We're well and truly into our Lenten experience and I pray that this season of Lent is deeply fulfilling for many of you as God continues to work in and through your life.

This weekend we continue the story of salvation in Christ as we encounter Abraham and his son Isaac. Last week we heard of the covenant that the Lord established with Noah, but this week we hear about the sacrifice that was being prepared.

We don't get it in our lectionary readings this week, but Isaac asks his Father Abraham as they journey to the place of the sacrifice "Father...the fire and the wood are here but where is the lamb for the burnt offering" to which Abraham replies, "God will provide a lamb for the burnt offering, my son."

We know later that Isaac is not sacrificed on the mountain but becomes the prefigurement of the sac-

rifice that will eventually take place on another mountain - the mount of Calvary.

Rightly so, the Gospel this week presents to us Jesus transfigured on another mountain almost picking up from the story of Abraham and Isaac. God says to Jesus' companions, 'this is my Son, the Beloved,' the same son who will become the new sacrificial lamb from of old. This beloved son of God has come to redeem Israel and the whole of humanity.

We know that as followers of Christ, the victory over death has already been won in Christ. We're now in the final phase of this ultimate story of redemption awaiting Christ's return.

We're given the privilege of being part of the Lord's victory by the way we live our lives attuned to the Word of God in how we speak and act which is why Lent is central to our sanctification.

So friends, I pray that our observances this Lenten season do indeed draw us closer to Christ, the sacrifice and the saviour, that what we sacrifice humbly and obediently might bring us to a new life or a more Christ-like way of being in this world.

God bless,
Fr William

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
(68 Victoria St, Fairfield)

- Sunday: 7am

CONFESSION

St Mary's:

Sat: 8.30am-9am | Sun: 4.15-4.45pm

St Ita's:

By appointment (contact parish office)

More information:

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First reading: Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self - it is the Lord who speaks - because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 115(116):10,15-19

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

I trusted, even when I said:
'I am sorely afflicted,'
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful. **R/**

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord's name. **R/**

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem. **R/**

Second reading: Romans 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us - he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 17:5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

Communion Antiphon: Mt 17: 5

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 26th:

Lord, do not deal with us as our sins deserve.

Tuesday 27th:

To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

Wednesday 28th:

Save me, O Lord, in your steadfast love.

Thursday 29th:

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Friday 1st:

Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

Saturday 2nd:

The Lord is kind and merciful

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

3rd Sunday of Lent

1st reading: Exodus 20:1-17

2nd reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel: John 2:13-25

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.

ST MARY'S PASSION PLAY
Good Friday
29 March - 2.30pm

We are inviting all the children to participate in this year's Passion Play.

Rehearsal dates:
 Sunday, 17 March after 9am Mass
 Sunday, 24 March after 9am Mass



Please see Sr Salvacion after mass if your child is interested.

LENTEN REFLECTION

Every Thursday during Lent - 6pm
 St Francis' meeting room
 All welcome!



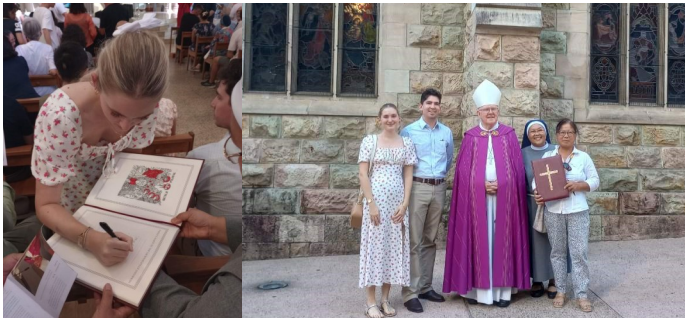
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent - 7pm
 St Mary's Church
 All welcome!



RITE OF ELECTION
RCIA 2024

Last Sunday our Catechumens accompanied by Sr Salvacion and her RCIA Team (Edith and Sarah), attended the Rite of Election at St Stephen's Cathedral. The Rite of Election signifies that the catechumens are prepared to receive the Sacrament of Initiation, with formal acceptance by the Church.



Please keep them in your prayer.



Second Sunday of Lent
24 & 25 February



After the birth of her children, 22-year-old Ronita was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas Australia's partners in the Philippines, she resumed her studies and secured a job at a call centre to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.



You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

SCAM EMAIL

Please be aware of a scam email that appeared to be from Fr William. You will notice the sender's email address it's not Fr William's email address.

If you received this email, please DELETE it immediately.

LAUDATO SI - Lent calendar

"The Lord was able to invite others to be attentive to the beauty that there is in the world because he himself was in constant touch with nature, lending it an attention full of fondness and wonder." (Laudato Si' 97)

Reflect:

Listen to God's beloved Son and how he teaches us to contemplate the beauty of Creation. How does the way of living and the actions of Jesus Christ in the Gospels inspire you to be more in touch with the Earth and with the poor?

Reconcile:

Reconciliation with Creation calls for bold action to face the ecological challenges of our time. Please find the regional call to action at <https://laudatosilent.org/asia-pacific/> and start giving concrete steps into making peace with the Creator and the gift of Creation.

VOCATION VIEWS
Second Sunday of Lent

If you need an example of a person responding to avocational call, look at Abraham's called in old age to leave his country, father a child, and then asked to sacrifice the child. What faith! Vocation is a risky response to a unique call from God. .



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Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the annual

CHRISM MASS
 Thursday 21st March 2024 @ 7:00pm
 Cathedral of St Stephen
 249 Elizabeth Street,
 Brisbane 4000

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RESPONDING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Online Zoom Workshop Series

Workshop Dates

The workshop will run online via zoom over three Wednesday evenings

- Session 1: 21 Feb 2024
- Session 2: 28 Feb 2024
- Session 3: 6 Mar 2024

All sessions run from 7.00pm - 8.30pm (Brisbane time)



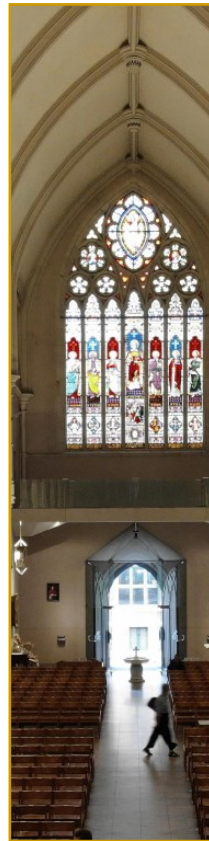
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To celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Cathedral of St Stephen
 The Queensland Symphony Orchestra conducted by Umberto Clerici

will perform concerts in the Cathedral

- Friday 10 May 2024 - 7:30pm
- Saturday 11 May 2024 - 1:30pm
- Saturday 11 May 2024 - 7:30pm

Psalm 24 - The Earth is the Lord's
 Lili Boulanger (1895-1918)

Mass in C minor ('Great') K427
 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

- Sara MacIver - soprano
- Sofia Troncoso - soprano
- Andrew Goodwin - tenor
- David Greco - baritone
- St Stephen's Schola
- Brisbane Chamber Choir

Tickets are available from the QSO website
<https://qso.com.au/events/2024/special-events/special-event-mozart-mass>

When was the last time you reviewed your Will?

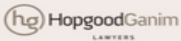
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PARISH ACTIVITIES 2024

BAPTISMS

- 2nd Saturday of the Month - 9.30am: St Mary's (Booking is essential.)

PRAYER & ADORATION

- Tuesday 6.30pm: St Mary's Church
- Sunday 4pm: St Mary's Church

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturdays after 8am Mass until Sundays 8.30am

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)

- Saturday - 5.00pm: St Ita's Church (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday - 9.00am: St Mary's Church

FAMILY MASS (School term only)

- 4th Saturday - 5pm: St Ita's Church

ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

- 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am -1pm
 St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Please consider giving to our planned giving program.

Your continued support for our Parishes is appreciated. If you'd like to use direct debit please complete the form below and return to the Parish Office.

- [St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)
- [Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)

Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

- **St Mary's Parish South Brisbane**
 BSB: 064-786
 Acc No: 100 009 890
 Ref: Your Last Name and Collections
- **Dutton Park Parish:**
 BSB: 064-786
 Acc No: 100 022 825
 Ref: Last Name and Collections

We also have **Tap n Go** see Church Coordinator at Mass.

SAFEGUARDING

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

To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550. For more information visit brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding

