

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.

The Most Holy Trinity Sunday 26th May 2024 - Year B

Hello Friends,

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each time we pray and start with the sign of the cross, we invoke the Trinitarian formula in our life.

The concept of the Trinity is a fundamental belief in Christianity, including Catholicism. The Trinity teaches that there is one God who exists in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Each person is distinct, yet they are all fully God and share the same essence. The Trinity is a mystery that is beyond human comprehension, but it is central to understanding the nature of God as revealed in the Bible. The Father is the creator and sustainer of the universe, the Son became incarnate as Jesus Christ to save humanity, and the Holy Spirit is the presence of God in the world, guiding and empowering believers. As Catholics, it is very important to contemplate the mystery of the Trinity with humility and reverence.

From the Holy Trinity, we learn about the importance of unity in diversity. Just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are distinct persons but share the same divine essence, we are called to embrace and celebrate our differences while recognizing our shared humanity. We learn to appreciate the beauty of diversity and the strength that comes from working together in unity. Furthermore, the Holy Trinity teaches us about the importance of community and relationship. Just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit exist in perfect communion with each other, we are called to build and nurture relationships with others. We are reminded of the value of connection, support, and love in our journey of faith. Finally, the Trinity reminds us of the depth of God's love and the unity of the divine persons in working together for our salvation. Let us embrace this profound mystery with faith and awe, trusting in the Triune God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

God bless, Fr Ravi



In celebration of National Volunteer Week, we would like to extend our heartfelt thank you to our volunteers in our Parishes.

> Your support and contribution are greatly appreciated.

ST ITA'S CHURCH - EVENING TEA Saturday, 25 May after 5pm Vigil Mass

All parishioners are invited to stay after Mass at St Ita's Church this Saturday for evening tea A plate to share will be appreciated.



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

Come and join us for Faith, Fun & Friendship at St Mary's Church this Sunday, 26 May after 9am Mass.

Enquiry: Dianne Ezzy (0411 869 017)

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.

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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St Mary's Church : Chris Bolger (0407 480 205)
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- St Ita's Church: Liam O'Rourke (0411 033 321)
 - OLPS Church: Paul Hogan (0418 742 760)

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 <u>www.fb.me/duttonparkwestendcatholicparish</u>

First reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: the Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today, so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32(33):4-6,9,18-20,22

Response: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **R**/

By his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and it came to be. He commanded; it sprang into being. **R/**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R**/

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R**/

Second reading: Romans 8:14-17

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

Gospel Acclamation: cf Revelation 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

Communion Antiphon: Gal 4: 6

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 27th: *The Lord will remember his covenant for ever*

Tuesday 28th: The Lord has made known his salvation.

Wednesday 29th: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

Thursday 30th: *Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.*

Friday 31st: Feast (The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary) *Among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.*

Saturday 1st: Memorial (St Justin) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Corpus Christi

1st reading: Exodus 24:3-8 **2nd reading**: Hebrews 9:11-15 **Gospel**: Mark 14:12-16,22-26

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

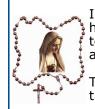
If you know anyone who is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion at their home, please contact the Parish Office (details at the back page).

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 a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home from May to October and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is at your home.

To arrange for a visitation please contact the Parish Office.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS VIGIL 31 MAY - 6.00PM

May is the month of Mary, Mother of Jesus, Crucified and Risen! How apt it is for us in our needy society that May is also Domestic Violence Awareness Month – for learning, prayer and action. Up to 29th April, 26 women in Australia including 6 women in Queensland have died this year.

Come to a Candle Vigil, Regina Caeli Parish, 81 Waverley Rd, Camp Hill. 6.00pm. 31st May.

ST MARY'S CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Many thanks to all who have supported the restoration of St Mary's Church over past years.

There is still an opportunity to sponsor a Perpetual Pew. This provides a way to not only remember your loved ones but also assists with the funding of our restoration projects.

To sponsor a pew; \$1,000 for short pews. Engraved in Perpetuity "In Memory of" or "In Honour of".

Please contact the Parish Office to organise this.



donations are not tax deductible

Note:

Support St Francis' Table through Containers for change

If you wish to support St Francis' Table Ministry through the **Containers For Change**, please use this account number C11452798 when you depositing your containers.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Have you seen what is happening in our community?

In our community, support is needed for our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. Sister Salvacion saw this need and acted on it.

The St Francis Table Ministry has offered supported to the elderly and families in need for over 8 years. This ministry is located at the St Francis Hall, which provides a safe space to connect, grow in friendships, enjoy social activities, and have a meal together on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month.

On the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month, Sister Salvacion and her volunteers prepare approximately 100 home-cooked meals delivered to those who are housebound. These individuals often experience loneliness, isolation, fear, anxiety, emotional and mental health issues. The keynote here is that the volunteers delivering the meals, can spend quality time talking, listening, and offering support where needed.

The St Francis Table Ministry just celebrated Mother's Day and May birthdays on Monday the 13th of May. Nearly 90 people came to the celebration.

Many of the people who came to this celebration, feel connected and look forward to coming together to share their life stories. We can see that Sister Salvacion and her volunteers have made a difference in the lives of so many.

Hollie Volunteer

Urgent Community Alert: Proposed Anti-Discrimination Bill 2024

Dear Parishioners,

The Queensland Government have released a draft Anti-discrimination bill, that would be the most restrictive regime in Australia for religious freedoms. It would significantly restrict the ability of churches, schools and other faith organisations to choose who we employ, as well as introducing other harsh restrictions.

The most important thing you can do is to write to your local MP and tell them you are concerned about the bill.

Politicians won't know that we care about this unless we tell them.

A Website has been launched by the combined heads of faith to make it easy for you to learn more about the bill and write to your MP.

Please take 5 minutes to write to your MP today.

https://contactyourmp.org.au/qld

MAGAZINE WANTED

"If anyone has some magazines they have read and no longer require, would you kindly bring them to St Francis Church on a Sunday? These are for the benefit of the homeless people who go to the Emmanuel City Mission."

Thank you in anticipation, Janet Murray (0412634314)

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS IN JUNE Please let the Parish Office know if you wish to attend any of these events.

Ministry Training:

We are offering a training for our ministries over the next few months. If you are part of these ministries within the Parish or would like to get involved please come to our training session for the appointed time and date. If you are not able to attend this time, there'll be another round in July;

- Sacristan and Altar Server: Sat, 1 June - 10am at St Francis of Assisi Church
- Readers: Saturday, 1 of June - 10am at St Francis' Hall
- Communion to the Sick: Sat, 15 June - 10am at St Francis of Assisi Church
- Music Ministry: Saturday, 15 June - 10am at St Francis' Hall

Picnic at the Park

Join us for a picnic in the park after Mass. Please bring a plate to share.

Sunday, 9 June - 10:30am at Orleigh Park, West End

Bible Study

Join us for bible study where we will begin with the book of Genesis.

Wednesday, 5 June - 6pm at St Francis' Hall Wednesday, 19 June - 6pm at St Francis' Hall

IGNITE CONFERENCE 2024 Registration is now open !

If you are interested in attending the 2024 Ignite Conference as part of our Parishes' youth group, please let Fr Will or Fr Ravi know.



19-22 September 2024 St Laurence's College, South Brisbane



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PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Your continued support of our Parishes is appreciated. Please consider giving to our planned giving program.

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 •

or 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: 100 023 601 Ref: Last Name and Collections

We also have **Tap n Go** at the back of the Church

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/s afeguarding



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PARISH ACTIVITIES 2024

This is Josh

Josh is one of over 120 homeless and vulnerable visitors that frequent Emmanuel City Mission's Catholic daytime sanctuary to receive support and care from the street.

"To be able to come here every morning to have a feed and a shower gave me back my dignity, I was at the point where I'd given up."

At ECM, visitors have access to hot meals, showers, washing machines, clean clothing and a community that rallies behind them. Soon, ECM will move to the St. Mary's precinct. We invite you to 'come and see' for vourself what it means to serve this community.

To join ECM's team of missionaries and care for people like Josh, we'd love to hear from you:

contact@ecm.org.au

Key contact:

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BAPTISMS

Saturdays - 10.00am (Booking is essential - contact Parish Office)

When was the last time you

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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
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CHILDREN'S LITURGY (School Term Only)

- Sunday 9.00am: St Mary's Church
- **ST FRANCIS TABLE Ministry to the Elderly** 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am - 1pm
- St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

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We can help you with: