

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter



‘Let the one among you who has not sinned be the first to throw a stone’

We all know the law and the rules, but what seems to emerge as the overarching practice for us to adopt is a sense of mercy and forgiveness. Our second reading today, St Paul says to the Philippians, 'I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ'

St Paul recognises that obedience to the law is not enough, but faith in Jesus completes it. Now, does this mean that we can do whatever we want whenever we want? No! I still must abide in the law, but at the same time, knowing when to express mercy and forgiveness to my brother and sister places me in a divine-like state. Our Gospel this weekend of the woman caught in adultery parallels the parable of the Prodigal Son we had last week. Both express the forgiveness and mercy of God available to all people. The law tempers our behaviour, whilst Jesus opens our hearts, and we need both. To emphasise the law too much could lead to a scrupulosity and to be focused on an empathetic heart, not guided or protected could lead to an extreme liberalism. We need both the law and the loving heart to hold us in tension as followers of Christ.

We're still on our Amalgamation journey and soon we will look at the changing of the Mass times. We currently have five Masses across our Parish over the weekend, and we want to move that down to four Masses. Unfortunately, this will cause a lot of tension, of another kind. We won't be receiving another priest for our Parish, so we need to make the Mass times suitable for one priest. I desire openness and honesty during this period. Here are the main questions I'll be asking about our future Mass Times. The first is about longevity. Will this Mass time still be relevant in 10 years time? How many people attend this Mass 10 years from now? What's the level of participation like at this time? What other possibilities are there at this time, with this property, among these people?

These are but the few questions we will ask. Our Steering Committee will meet on Wednesday to begin these discussions. Please pray for our leaders and our Parish, that we might all lead with compassion and integrity, holding in tension the right things that lead us to God.

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

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord,
who made a way through the sea,
a path in the great waters;
who put chariots and horse in the field
and a powerful army
which lay there never to rise again,
snuffed out, put out like a wick:
No need to recall the past,
no need to think about what was done before.
See, I am doing a new deed,
even now it comes to light; can you not see it?
Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness,
paths in the wilds.
The wild beasts will honour me,
jackals and ostriches,
because I am putting water in the wilderness
(rivers in the wild)
to give my chosen people drink.
The people I have formed for myself
will sing my praises.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125

R/ The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R/**

The heathens themselves said: What marvels
the Lord worked for them!
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R/**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears,
will sing when they reap. **R/**

Second Reading

Philippians 3:8-14

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him.

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Gospel Acclamation

Joel 2:12-13

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
With all your heart turn to me,
for I am tender and compassionate.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin any more.'



Next Sunday Readings:

Lk 19: 28-40, Is 50: 4-7
Ps 21: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24
Phil 2: 6-11, Lk 22:14



Upcoming Events


Lenten Reflection Group 2025
Lenten Reflections:
Tuesdays 6pm
St Francis Meeting Room



Tour de Brisbane Changed Road Traffic

There will be significant disruptions to bus services in Brisbane on **Sunday 13 April 2025**. On the event day, map apps such as Google, Waze, and Apple Maps will automatically calculate a detour around the road closures.

Should you wish to discuss your individual requirements, for individual requirements, please contact :
 P: 07 3124 6099 E: tourdebrisbane@nxsports.org



Sacramental Program Confirmation

To enroll please download form using the below QR Code and

Calling all children in Grade 3 and above to join our Confirmation program!




Second Rite of Reconciliation

This is a wonderful opportunity for reflection, repentance, and renewal of our faith. Please come and experience the peace and grace of the sacrament.

Tuesday, 15th of April
St Mary's Church at 6pm



St Mary's PASSION PLAY
Good Friday 2:30 pm

We invite all children to take part in this year's Passion Play. Please see Sr Salvacion/Dianne after Mass or contact the Parish Office 07 3324 3736

REHEARSAL DATES:
6th & 13th of April
 after 9am Sunday Mass St Mary's Church

Scan the QR Code to obtain the Media Consent Form




Stations of the Cross at St Mary's Church

Every Friday during Lent at 7pm



Just a couple of notes:

Caritas AUSTRALIA 60 YEARS 1964-2024

Your support this Lent can help drive lasting change for communities living in poverty.

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.



Assessing Parish Sustainability

Over the past couple of years, the Archdiocese released a standard to assist parishes in becoming sustainable for the future. The standard assesses a variety of aspects that ultimately result in what the diocese would consider a 'sustainable Parish'.

Things like finances at the end of the year, Mass attendance and use of Human Resources were all considered. As it stands, a Church community that has less than 80 people per weekend Mass is considered 'unsustainable' and when finances are below 200k at the end of the year the Parish is considered to be in an 'unsustainable' financial position.

We might pass with flying colours in some areas but lack in others. All of this say, that we're in an 'unsustainable' position when it comes to Human Resources. We have one priest and four Churches so we have to reimagine how things happen for us. These are but some of the realities that we must face but I'm hopeful we can move forward. I've included a QR code to the presentation of the Archdiocese. If you want to know more about the standards of sustainability the presentation has been included. -Fr William

If you would like to know more, scan the QR Code below.




Parish Amalgamation:

"Last week, we published information about the amalgamation. Got questions? Check out our FAQ's and scan the QR code for more info!"





We invite all parishioners to share their creative suggestions for names for our new parish, as we come together to build a vibrant and welcoming community

A few notes:

Mass Times

Easter Triduum Mass Timetable

Second Rite: Tue, 15th April

- St Mary's Church 6pm

Holy Thursday: 17th April

- St Mary's Church 7pm

Good Friday: 18th April

Stations of the Cross

- OLPS, Fairfield: 7am
- St Mary's Church: 10am
- St Mary's Church: 2:30pm (Children's Passion Play)

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

- St Mary's Church: 3pm

Holy Saturday: 19th April

- St Mary's Church: 7pm

Easter Sunday: 20th April

- OLPS, Fairfield: 7am
- St Francis of Assisi Church: 9am
- St Mary's Church: 9am

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

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Parish Name Suggestion:

