

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter



How I wish it were blazing already!

Dear brothers and sisters.

This past Friday, August 15th, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. With this solemnity, we contemplate Mary's glory in Heaven, but we also recognize that her life on Earth is a model for our own journey as a community of faith. Let's look at some attitudes that help our parish, and us, live with the same hope and mission as Mary.

When Mary learned that her cousin Elizabeth needed help, she "went in haste" to visit her. This simple yet powerful gesture shows us that love doesn't wait. As a parish, we can put this into practice by creating a culture of service, visiting the sick, organizing support for families in crisis, welcoming newcomers to our community, and responding promptly to needs that arise. Every small act of immediate generosity is a way to emulate Mary's loving haste.

When Mary arrived at Elizabeth's home, she was carrying Jesus both in her womb and in her heart. The joy of Elizabeth and the leaping of John in her womb show that the presence of Christ transforms lives. In our parish, we too can "carry" Christ by the way we speak, the kindness in our actions, and the care we show for one another. This can mean sharing our faith in simple conversations, inviting someone to Mass, participating in parish ministries, or even offering to pray with someone who is going through a difficult time. Bringing Christ is not only a priest's mission, it belongs to all of us.

When Mary sang the Magnificat, a song of gratitude and trust, she recognized God's work in her life and in the history of His people. As a parish, we can live it with a spirit of gratitude: offering prayers of thanksgiving at the end of our services, encouraging testimonies of how God has worked in people's lives, and remembering to celebrate the graces and blessings in our community. Gratitude not only strengthens our faith but also inspires others to see God's hand at work in their own lives.

May the Assumption of Our Lady inspire our parish and us to walk together, ready to serve, eager to share Christ, and joyful in thanksgiving. Under her maternal protection, let us continue to live with faith, hope, and charity.

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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

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.

Readings at Mass

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
17th August 2025

First Reading

Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

Gospel

Luke 12: 49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 39(40):2-4, 18

R/ Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry. **R/**

He drew me from the deadly pit,
from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
and made my footsteps firm. **R/**

He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
and shall trust in the Lord. **R/**

As for me, wretched and poor,
the Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O God, do not delay. **R/**

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:1-4

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Next Sunday Readings:

Is 66: 18-21, Ps 116(117)
Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13,
Lk 13: 22-30



Upcoming Events & News

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



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Our RCIA Program will commence in September. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming catholic,

**20TH SEPT, 2025
2:30PM**

Complete the enquiry form and email back to the Parish
stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au

St Mary's Church

Sacramental Program Please Keep Our Candidates in Prayer

Our candidates are preparing to receive Penance and First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers as they take this important step in their faith journey.



Parish Pastoral Council Nominations

Please submit your nominations for Parish
Pastoral Council Members
scan the QR code



Parish Name: **Good Shepherd Parish**
South Brisbane West End

We're leaving the nominations open for another week. Please also keep in mind the shifting of our Discernment Night. This night will be a time of prayer for all nominees to gather and seek the Lord's pathway. Our new date is the 3rd of September. Discernment Night will happen at St Francis of Assisi, West End

Parish Logo Design Competition

Must include:

Element of Nurturing/Care
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Leadership

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Submissions must also include a colour scheme for other media.

Please email your design to:
stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au

****entries close 31st August 2025****

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CATHOLIC
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13 SEPT
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ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
FORTITUDE VALLEY

Find more information at
catholiccollective.org.au



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HOLY HOUR • YOUTH MASS • FESTIVAL

Romero Centre **OPEN** Day

Join us for the Romero Centre Open Day
a chance to connect, learn and be part of something meaningful.

21 August | 2.30pm - 5.30pm

Romero Centre, 8 Dutton St, Dutton Park

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

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A few notes:

Mass Times

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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