

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter

FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
9th February 2025



They left everything and followed Him.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I think it is fair to assert that today's readings, taken together, convey a strong theme of calling and vocation. In the first reading from Isaiah, the Lord said: "Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?" The response is: "Here I am, send me." (Is 6:8). Or, in the Gospel of Luke, in response to Jesus words – "Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch" – the apostles "left everything and followed him" (Lk 5:10-11). It would be natural, therefore, to focus this reflection on vocations to the priesthood and religious life (and the diaconate!).

Yet, despite the always urgent need for such vocations, today is notable for another reason. Sunday 9 February 2025 is World Marriage Day. Like Holy Orders, Matrimony is described in Church teaching as being a sacrament at the service of communion. They both, in their own way, empower the recipient of the sacrament with the grace to serve others. Those in Holy Orders celebrate the sacraments and serve the people of God in a variety of ministries. Married persons serve their spouses, they bring forth new members of the faithful, and they educate them to know, to love, and to serve God and His people.

In this time in history, marriage as an institution is struggling. The rate of marriages has been falling for decades, as has the number of church marriages. So, what can we do to recognize World Marriage Day? We can start by affirming the wonderful examples we see, including in our parish community. Whether it be the couple celebrating 60 years of married life in the presence of their great-grandchildren, or young families who manage to get Mass on Sunday despite the chaos of family life, we should be thankful for marriages and for families for without them society and the Church would be all the poorer. Happy World Marriage Day from Megan and I!

Have a wonderful week ahead.

Yours in Christ,

Don. Adam

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

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First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord of Hosts seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings.

And they cried out to one another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts.

His glory fills the whole earth.'

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said:

'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost,

for I am a man of unclean lips

and I live among a people of unclean lips,

and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of Hosts.'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said:

'See now, this has touched your lips,

your sin is taken away,

your iniquity is purged.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:

'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?'

I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137(138):1-5, 7-8

R/ In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth.

Before the angels I will bless you.

I will adore before your holy temple. **R/**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;

you increased the strength of my soul. **R/**

All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the Lord's ways:

How great is the glory of the Lord!'. **R/**

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,

discard not the work of your hands. **R/**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you – believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve.

Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4: 19

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,

and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 5: 1-11

Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied, 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

Next Sunday Readings:

Jer 17: 5-8 Ps 1: 1-4

1 Cor 15: 12, 16-20,

Lk 6: 17, 20-26



Upcoming Events

Lent Reflection book is available for purchase \$5 each. Collect after mass or at our office Monday to Friday 9am-2pm



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.



St Mary's Prayer Group

We are blessed to resume our gatherings in faith and prayer on: **Tuesdays 6:30pm - 8:00 pm.**

May this time of reflection and fellowship deepen our connection with God and with one another. We look forward to growing in spirit together as a community.



Have your say on volunteering in Queensland

The Archdiocese of Brisbane is seeking input for the Queensland Parliamentary Inquiry into Volunteering, and we want to hear from you.



To complete the survey, please scan the QR Code

“Lord, God of Justice As a nation we have said sorry for the cruel and unjust laws and policies throughout our country's history that have “inflicted profound grief, suffering and loss on these our fellow Australians”.

Help us, as the People of God to be advocates of accountability and dignity so that, as we remember and learn from the past, we shape a nation where all can thrive and flourish”.

Quote from Kevin Rudd, Primer Minister of Australia 2008 National Apology to Indigineous Peoples.



Clean up Australia Day

Pope Francis calls all fo us to care for our environment.

Participating in Clean Up Australia Day is an easy way to live out our ecological values.

Joining the Archdiocesan Ministries office on 25 February 10 am in the Cathedral Precinct (please contact Emma Beach via beache@bne.cat holic.net .au)



Just a couple of notes:

The Parish office will be closed:

Tuesday 11th Feb 2025



ST MARY'S

Some of you may have seen the new signs at St Mary's. These signs will help with directing traffic especially on the weekends.



The flow of traffic will be enforced on Saturday and Sunday but I am aware it's practically difficult to follow during the week, especially when delivery trucks cover the roadway.

With that in mind, we ask that as much as possible, parishioners follow the traffic signs on weekdays unless there's a delivery truck in the way. In those moments, carefully use the Merivale entrance.

We thank you for your continued support and participation.

-Fr Will

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Community News

A few notes:



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 yourself 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:
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To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550

For more information visit:
www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding

Mass Times

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: 10.00am

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.