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 St Francis' Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce., West End.
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 The Awaken Ministry has been blessed with an amazing gift of healing, powerfully led by the Holy Spirit, people have been receiving many miracles and lives have been changed.
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 St Ita's, Dutton Park,
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 Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Fairfield.
 Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars

MASS TIMES
St Ita's Church
 (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Monday to Friday: 6.15am
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
 Sunday: 8.00am
 10.30am (Indonesian)
St Francis' Church
 (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am
Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am
 (Anointing of the sick: 1st Sunday and upon request.)

BAPTISMS
Saturday 9.30am monthly
 1st Saturday St Francis'
 2nd Saturday St Mary's
 3rd Saturday St Ita's
 Family preparation sessions at St Ita's church on the first Thursday night of each month at 6.30pm

CONFESSION TIMES
Saturday St Ita's: 4-4.50pm
 (or upon request 30 mins before or after mass)

MASS TIMES AT ST MARY'S
 (20 Merivale St., South Brisbane)
 Monday to Friday: 7am
 Saturday: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm
 Confession: Sat 8.30-9.30am;
 Sun 4-4.45pm
 Devotion: First Friday of each month at 6pm

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NEWSLETTER
Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year B)
11th March 2018

Dear Parishioners,

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is called Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday, from the first words of the liturgy. The central theme of today's readings is that our salvation is a free gift of a merciful God given to us through Jesus His Son. As an act of love and gratitude to God who is "rich in mercy" and as an expression of our faith, we are invited to share his sufferings by doing penance during Lent so that we may inherit our eternal salvation and the glory of his resurrection in heaven.

The gospel of the gospels: John 3:16 is probably the best loved verse in the Bible and it has been called "everybody's text" and the "gospel of the gospels." "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." This is the summary of the Gospel message of salvation through Christ Jesus. This text is the very essence of the gospel. It tells us that the initiative in all salvation is God's love of man. As St. Augustine puts it: "God loves each one of us as if there was only one of us to love." It also explains to us the universality of the love of God. God's motive was love and God's objective is salvation. Those who actually receive eternal life must believe in the Son.

Love of darkness and judgment: When we walk according to the teachings of Christ, we are walking in the Light. If we oppose these teachings, we oppose Christ himself and hence we are walking in darkness. In today's text we are told that *Light has come into the world, but people loved the darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.* There are so many dark corners in our world. Addiction to alcohol, drugs, gambling and pornography, sexual immorality, environmental irresponsibility, and a lack of purpose among so many people. It is so easy to pretend that these dark corners don't exist. Our lives matter to God and He knows all about the dark corners in our lives. He wants us to stop hiding our sin in the dark and demands that we expose every dark corner to His Light of life. He is giving to us the Light that not only shows up the dirt in our lives but cleans it away. He died so that we could be made new and clean.

Let us be bearers of Jesus' light and its carriers to other people: When we allow the light of God's forgiveness to shine in our lives, it brightens up every corner, forgives every sin, restores our relationship with God and renews our lives. Whoever follows Jesus will not walk in darkness. Jesus' light of truth, justice, holiness and charity that shines in our lives ought to bring blessing to others. We are to let this light of Christ shine through us into the lives of people around us.

Peace and Blessings
Fr Bollar

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Entrance Antiphon Cf. Is 66: 10-11

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

First reading 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23

The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

Psalms Psalm 136

Response: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Second reading Eph 2:4-10

When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.

Gospel Acclamation John 3:16

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son,

so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world

not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

Communion Antiphon cf Ps 121:3-4

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Jer 31:31-34; 2nd reading: Heb 5:7-9; Gospel: John 12:20-33

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TWO MINUTE CATECHISM

Religion of the Roman Empire

During the second and third centuries Christian communities grew in many places throughout the world as it was then known. Often they had to endure persecution and hardship, especially from rulers within the Roman Empire.

Many stories have been written about the martyrs who gave their lives rather than deny their faith in Christ. Early in the fourth century, however, Constantine, the Roman Emperor of the day, decided that Christianity would be recognized as a legal religion. He even gave the Christians a number of buildings which they could use for worship. In 380 AD the Emperor Theodosius ruled that Christianity was to be the religion of the Roman Empire. Sunday was declared a holiday so that people would be able to take part in the celebration of the Eucharist and devote time to the worship of God. The number of Christians increased and larger buildings were needed for their gatherings. State buildings, such as court-houses, began to be used for the celebration of the Eucharist, and priests and bishops gradually adopted the rank and clothing of officials of the Roman Empire. These were adapted over time and have become the vestments you see today. As time went on the Mass was celebrated in various ways in different cultures. In what is now Europe the customs of Rome came to be widely used. Since the language of the common people in the West at this time was Latin, Pope Damasus (366-384AD) decreed that the language of the Mass should be Latin and not Greek.

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Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
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Mass on the sea of Galilee



2018 Easter Triduum

Mass Times

Monday 26th March

6-7pm Confession (1st Rite) (St Francis')

Wednesday 28th March

6-7pm Confession (1st Rite) (St Mary's)

Thursday 29th March HOLY THURSDAY

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Night Prayer (St Mary's)

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Night Prayer (St Francis')

Friday 30th March GOOD FRIDAY

10am Stations of the Cross followed by Confession (St Mary's)

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10am Stations of the Cross followed by Confession (OLPS Fairfield)

3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (St Mary's)

3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (St Francis')

3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (OLPS Fairfield)

Saturday: 31st April HOLY SATURDAY

6pm Easter Vigil Mass (St Ita's)

7pm Easter Vigil Mass (St Mary's)

Sunday: 1st April EASTER SUNDAY

7am Mass (OLPS Fairfield)

8am Mass (St Ita's)

9am Mass (St Francis')

9am Mass (St Mary's)

5pm Mass (St Mary's)



Join us on St Patrick's Day...
March 17 - 8am mass in St Mary's Church.
Parishioners are encouraged to wear green to celebrate this Solemnity Day.

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

First Friday of each month - 6pm at St Mary's Mass, Novena and Confession

This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)
4th Week of Lent

Monday 12th:

R/ I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Tuesday 13th:

R/ The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Wednesday 14th:

R/ The Lord is kind and merciful.

Thursday 15th:

R/ Lord, remember us for the love you bear for your people.

Friday 16th:

R/ The Lord is near to broken hearts.

Saturday 17th: St Patrick (Solemnity)

R/ Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News.

Parish Activities in 2018



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Date Claimer—Training for Readers of the Word and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday 21st April 2018

Training for Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parishes will be held at St Mary's following the 8am Mass.

In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop

2018 National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop.

Commence in Melbourne 23 October, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 3 November 2018.

COST EX BRISBANE: \$3,360.00 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals).

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$700.00

For further information, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 0417 683123 or Sr Annie Bond 02 89124818, or email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au.

Proclaim 2018

Registrations Now Open Brisbane 12-14 July 2018
National Conference on Parish Renewal and Evangelisation

www.proclaimconference.com.au

Please contact the parish office if you would like to attend

Vocation Enquiry Evening, 27th March 2018

The Capuchin Friars are inviting single Catholic men (18-35) who are discerning a possible religious or priestly vocation to come for an enquiry evening at our Assumption Friary, 245 Gladstone Road, Dutton Park on Tuesday evening, 27th March 2018 (6pm-9:30pm). Please RSVP by 26th March to Father Thomas: vocations@capuchinfrs.org.au or 0432362052. More info: <https://www.capuchin.org.au/event/brisbane-vocation-enquiry-evening/>

St Mary's Easter Passion Play
GOOD FRIDAY @ 2pm

Sr Salvacion and Sr Analissa are calling for all children who are interested in participating in this year's Passion Play on Good Friday at St Mary's Church at 2pm. Please see either Sister Analissa or Sister Salvacion



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Stations of the Cross

Every Friday night during Lent from 7.00pm at St Mary's Church