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St Francis Table—



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# DUTTON PARK CATHOLIC PARISH

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:  
 St Ita's, Dutton Park,  
 St Francis of Assisi, West End &  
 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

## ST ITA'S SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**29th April 2018**

Dear Parishioners,  
 Our Lady played a key role in the life of Our Lord which earned her the great title, Mother of God. She plays an important role now in the life of the Church and is increasingly called Mother of the Church, the Church that was born on Calvary and received its mission at Pentecost. She was there on Calvary suffering birth pangs, as it were, as the Church was born from the pierced side of Our Blessed Lord. She was present in the Upper Room when the Holy Spirit came down on the apostles.

Our Lord went out of His way to praise her faith and her love. How could there be a greater vocation than to bring the Son of God, Himself truly God, into the world to be at the same time truly man, and to care of Him and help Him prepare for His work? Our Lady is a Mother who is always there, always interested, always available – a bit in the background, but constantly there.

We are reminded of her presence whenever a feast of hers takes place, but in May we dedicate the entire month in her honour. In his 1965 encyclical, "Mense Maio," Pope Paul VI said that May is the month Christians offer Our Lady more "fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne." Pope Paul VI said that Mary's intercession for the entire world is significant, explaining that those who encounter her, encounter her Son, Jesus:

"For what other reason do we continually turn to Mary except to seek the Christ in her arms, to seek our Saviour in her, through her, and with her? To Him men are to turn amid the anxieties and perils of this world, urged on by duty and driven by the compelling needs of their heart, to find a haven of salvation, a transcendent fountain of life."

So during the month of May, we Catholics honour Our Lady her motherly and queenly majesty from every corner of the earth. We come close to her by offering her special presents and roses in May especially by reciting the Rosary, which is also called the Psalter of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is one of the most excellent prayers to the Mother of God. Thus, the Holy Fathers "have repeatedly exhorted the faithful to the frequent recitation of this biblically inspired prayer which is centred on contemplation of the salvific events of Christ's life, and their close association with the Virgin Mother."

Pax et Bonum  
 Fr Lam Vu OFM Cap



St Francis Table—  
 Monthly Bus Trip see the back page for more photos

## MOVED BY THE SPIRIT - LED BY THE SPIRIT

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place"

Acts 2:1

**SUNDAY, 20 MAY 2018**

11am to 10pm

Led by: Fr Lam Vu OFM Cap  
 and Steffanie Le

"I will pour out my Spirit on everyone." Acts 2:17

# Pentecost Retreat

**Cost:** \$50 (food and refreshment included)  
**Registration:** With Lana by 8th May  
[лана.cheng@optusnet.com.au](mailto:лана.cheng@optusnet.com.au) or 0412421247



**At:** St Francis' Hall,  
 47 Dornoch Tce.,  
 West End

## ALERT—

St Francis' Driveway  
 Dornoch Tce

Road safety issue entering and leaving the driveway to the church.

Many cyclists ride on Dornoch Tce past St Francis church precinct.

Parishioners are reminded of the danger to cyclists & the need for care as cars move in and out of the Church & Presbytery driveway.

**Entrance Antiphon** Cf. Ps 97: 1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

**First reading** Acts 9:26-31

He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

**Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 21:26-28,30-32

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

**Second reading** 1 John 3:18-24

His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

**Gospel Acclamation** John 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel** John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:  
'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

**Communion Antiphon** Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

**Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading:** Acts 10:25-26 34-35,44-48; **2nd reading:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; **Gospel:** John 15:9-17

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**This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)**  
5th Sunday of Easter

- Monday 30th: R/ Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the glory.
- Tuesday 1st May: R/ Your friends tell the glory of your kingship, Lord.
- Wednesday 2nd: **St Athanasius (Memorial)**  
R/ Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- Thursday 3rd: **Sts Philip and James (Feast)**  
R/ Their message goes out through all the earth.
- Friday 4th: R/ I will praise you among the nations, O Lord.
- Saturday 5th: R/ Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

**TWO MINUTE CATECHISM**

**God in our world**

God is more than everything, and yet everything is in God. Catholics believe that God exists in our world and if we seek to discover God, we will. One of the ways that we see God in the world is through the beauty and order of Nature. Catholics believe that an intelligence created the world. Consider the wonder of human birth. Could this have come about by chance?

As we search for God we come to understand that God is the creator of all that is and that it is through this understanding that we gain knowledge of God in a range of life experiences. These may be in moments of connection. Moments when we are aware of mystery in our lives.

**The purpose of life**

We know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. Romans 8:28

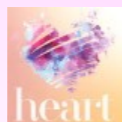
Catholics believe that the purpose of life is to have life and have it more abundantly. For this reason we constantly try to love God with all our heart, mind and soul and our neighbour as ourselves. Why am I here? - is a question asked by humans throughout the ages. Each one of us at some stage in our lives look for true meaning and purpose in our existence. This particularly occurs when we are faced with life's joys and its challenges of anxiety, loss and grief. God calls us to seek God, know and love God.) It is through understanding that Jesus, the Son of God, who lived on earth as a human, worked with human hands, thought with a human mind, acted by human choice, loved with a human heart and died for the forgiveness of our sins that we can begin to comprehend our reason for being. One reason for being is to learn to love ourselves and others as God loves us – enough to give over His own Son for the love of humankind. In this way we are gradually transformed into persons who can live and love like God does, becoming ready to live and love with God forever, which brings about an internal change and a conscious relationship with God. <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/teachings-of-the-catholic-church/>

**Shalom World Australia** will be presenting a power point and short video at the 9am mass St Francis Church this Sunday.

**Attention Volunteers** who have not done the Safeguarding Training yet:- you don't have to wait until our Parish one in September, they are now offering centralised Safeguarding Training sessions The first one is:

**Date:** Thursday, 10 May 2018  
**Time:** 12:30pm – 2:30pm  
**Location:** Hanley Room – Francis Rush Centre, 277 Elizabeth St Brisbane Qld 4000 Contact the parish office to register.

**heart**



Women's Conference 2018  
Presented by The Catholic Guy Ministry  
May 24-26 Mt Gravatt Bowls Club

How encouraging it is to share with others, to be refreshed within your spirit and learn things that help us in our daily lives. Heart can be an opportunity to do this. Register: [Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com](http://Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com) Email [Heart@TheCatholicGuy.com](mailto:Heart@TheCatholicGuy.com) phone 1300 734 880



The Little Kings Movement for the Handicapped wish to thank our Parishes for the Church Appeal 2018. \$2,468.90 was raised. Your generosity will enable them to carry on their work within the communities.

**Please consider giving to our planned giving program**

The 2nd collection covers the costs of running and upkeep of our parish. To give you an idea of the costs involved on an annual basis I have listed below some of last years costs

**A Few of the areas of expense for the West End, Dutton Park and Fairfield churches, St Francis Hall and both presbyteries**

Electricity	\$ 7,200
Insurance	\$15,532
Water	\$ 4,100
Altar Bread, wine and candles	\$ 2,022
Repairs and Maintenance	\$43,105

If you are able to assist with this program, please collect a planned giving form at the back of the church or contact the office. Thank you, Fr Lam.



**First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

4th May 6pm at St Mary's Mass, Novena and Confession

**May is Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month.**

Centacare will be raising awareness of the work they do to support victims through Centacare. Resources will be placed at the back of the churches from next weekend. Support is available please call Centacare 1300 236 822 [www.centacarebrisbane.net.au](http://www.centacarebrisbane.net.au)

Support Worker required for a mature gent with a physical disability in West End quality part-time work available For information contact Kathleen [kathleen@kwsmgroup.com.au](mailto:kathleen@kwsmgroup.com.au)

Positions vacant: Parish Finance Secretary Pine Rivers Parish 15hrs p/w Mon& Tues For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers. *The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.*



Seton College Open Morning Tuesday 1 May 9am-10.30am call 3291 5333 1148 Cavendish Road Mt Gravatt East [www.seton.qld.edu.au](http://www.seton.qld.edu.au)

All Hallows' School Open Day Sunday 27 May 2018 11.00am - 2.00pm We warmly invite the extended community to our 2018 Open Da. View academic and co-curricular displays, meet staff, enjoy performances, and tour the school. Visit [www.ahs.qld.edu.au](http://www.ahs.qld.edu.au) to register and view program

**Capuchin Friars and Franciscan Immaculatine Sisters Ministry to the Homeless and Poor are still collecting items** Please leave all donations/items in labelled boxes at the back of your church. Many thanks for your consideration.

**Calling ALL Musicians—singers and instrumental**  
2nd June at ACU Banyo  
Fr Lam is organising a group booking for this **Music Professional Development day** and would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join our music ministry and all current members of the music ministries.  
Registration covers morning tea and resources **BYO Lunch**  
The parish is investing the cost for this group booking.

**Parish Activities in 2018**

**ST ITA's 2018 Confirmation Program**  
Weekly classes starting 30.04.18

Please contact Kate Dart, Parish Sacramental Administrator 3844 2744 or email [sacramental.duttonpark@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacramental.duttonpark@bne.catholic.net.au)



**Awaken Together In Christ**  
Tuesday 1st May - 7pm Meditation  
A ministry bringing hope and the tangible presence of Christ to the lost and a deeper connection for those who know Him. We invite you to come along and enter into God's presence, watch Him move in your circumstances today.  
Everyone welcome!

**Notice to all Readers and Communion Ministers**  
Training for Readers of the Word

Saturday 5th May 2018 9am-10am  
Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
Saturday 2nd June 2018 9am-10am  
This is a Mandatory training for all volunteers in these ministries Please contact the Parish Office to register for this training We encourage anyone in the parish if you would like to volunteer in one of these ministries to register and come along



**St Francis of Assisi West End**  
SUNDAY 6th MAY

Morning Tea following the 9am Mass



**Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Fairfield**  
SUNDAY 6th MAY

Anointing the sick during 7am mass and afterwards morning tea.

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue May-Oct**

Invite a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is there. It will bring great peace and holiness to your life, and is the best method of honouring Mary. The statue usually stays with each family for one week. The statue may be taken away after the 8am Mass on Saturday at St Mary's. The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue home family visitation is to aid families in responding to the requests made by the Blessed Mary during her apparitions at Fatima. The essence of her requests is threefold: return to God; make reparation for sins; pray the Rosary for Peace. To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October please contact the Parish Office.



**PENTECOST RETREAT**  
A Pentecost Retreat will be held on Sunday, May 20th from 11.00am—10.00pm.  
Parishioners are invited to attend  
**"Moved by the Spirit—Led by the Spirit"**  
which will be led by Fr Lam Vu & Steffanie Le,  
St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End. Cost is \$50 which includes food & refreshments. Register by May 8th to [ana.cheng@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ana.cheng@optusnet.com.au)

**Dutton Park, West End & Fairfield Collections Last Weekend**

1st Collection: \$894.70 + \$160.77 (Direct Debit)= \$1055.47  
2nd Collection \$565.35+ \$228.46 (Direct Debit)= \$793.81