

Parish Activities in 2020

BAPTISMS

Saturday | 9.30am | monthly

1st Saturday St Francis of Assisi, West End

2nd Saturday St Mary's, South Brisbane

3rd Saturday St Ita's, Dutton Park

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10.00am. Bookings essential.

PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION

Monday to Friday: 12-2pm at St Mary's Church

AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Prayer Group: Tuesday 7pm at St Mary's Church

website: awaken.org.au

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM - 23 AUGUST 2020

3rd Sunday of the month | St Francis Hall 1.30-3pm

ADORATION

Sunday: 4-5pm St Mary's Church

NEW PARISHIONERS

We would like to help you feel at home in the Parish. Would you please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. Welcome leaflets with basic information about the parish are also available either at the door of the church or by contacting the parish office. Thank you for becoming part of our community.

We Need Your Support

Thank you to those already giving online. Please consider giving to the collections during this time. You can do so online with an internet transfer (Note—these are 'Internet Only' accounts):

Bank Account details for Dutton Park West End Parish are:

BSB: 064-786
Acc No: 006 226 001
Acc Name: Dutton Park Catholic Parish
Reference: Last Name - collections

Bank Account details for St Mary's Account are:

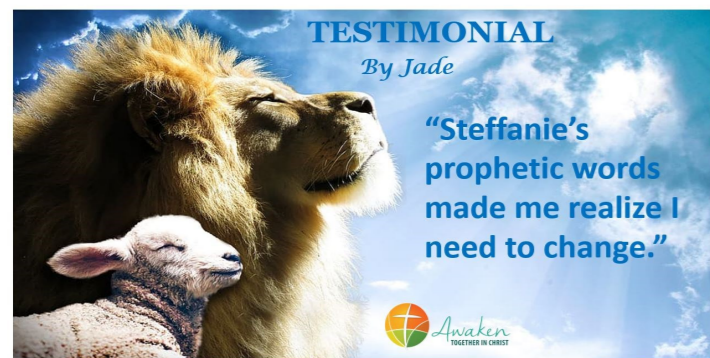
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All Hallows' School Virtual Open Day Sunday 30 August - 10.30am

We warmly invite you and your family to discover the difference an All Hallows' School education will make in your daughter's life at our virtual open day, premiering at 10:30am on Sunday 30 August. Experience how our community supports and inspires young women to be confident in a life of faith, compassion, learning and leadership, ready to step forward and make a difference in the world.

Register now at www.ahs.qld.edu.au/virtualopenday.



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To listen in order to be reconciled
"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that [...] the world might be saved through him."
John 3: 16-17
Forced like Jesus Christ to flee
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27-IX-2020

23 August 2020
RISING YOUTH MINISTRY



Register hello@risingyouthministry.org



EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Mary's - South Brisbane;
St Ita's - Dutton Park;
St Francis of Assisi - West End &
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Fairfield.

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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16 August 2020 - Year A

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Wish you a happy Feast of Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary, may our heavenly mother intercede for us and the whole world this special time of need. On November 1, 1950, Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The Pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. What the Pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church. For hundreds of years, Catholics observed the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15, celebrating Mary's being taken bodily to Heaven after her death. We have no real knowledge of the day, year, and manner of Our Lady's death. The dates which have been assigned to her death vary between three and fifteen years after Christ's Ascension. Mary's tomb was presumably found in Jerusalem. It is believed that Mary died in the presence of all the Apostles, but that after her burial, her tomb, when opened, was found empty. Therefore, they concluded that her body had been taken up (assumed) into heaven. Saint Gregory of Tours provided a rationale for the tradition: since Mary has been preserved from original sin, it is inconceivable to think her sinless body, should decay in the grave.

The reading for this Sunday presents a rare example of faith to us. In the words of Pope Benedict XVI, the Canaan-

ite woman who asks Jesus to heal her daughter was terribly troubled. She was insistent in her request to Jesus, though He tried to ignore her. In the end, however, confronted by the perseverance and humility of this unknown woman, Jesus consented. Woman, you have great faith! Your wish will come to pass. Jesus singles out this humble woman as an example of indomitable faith. Her insistence in imploring Christ's intervention is an encouragement to us never to lose heart and not to despair, even in the harshest trials of life. The Lord does not close his eyes to the needs of his children, and if he seems at times insensitive to their requests, it is only to test and temper our faith. This is the witness of saints, this is especially the witness of martyrs, closely associated with the redeeming sacrifice of Christ.

God bless you all,
Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap
Parish Priest

Sacramental Program Updates

- The enrolment for the First Holy Communion is now closed.
- To comply with Covid-19 regulations, it is essential to register before you and your child attend one of our weekend masses (registration details are on page 2).
- More information or any question please contact the Sacramental Team on 3844 2744 or email sacramental.duttonpark@bne.catholic.net.au

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane)

Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)

Sunday: 9am and 5pm

(Anointing 1st Friday of each month)

St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)

Sunday: 9am

St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park)

Saturday (Vigil): 5pm; Sunday: 8.00am

Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

(Victoria St., Fairfield)

Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

CONFESSION

St Mary's Church:

Fri: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm

St Ita's Church: Sat: 4-4.50pm

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OLPS Church: Elvis Chua 045 0 029 410.

St Francis of Assisi Church: Liam Cunnane 0477 306 166

St Mary's Church: Chris Bolger 0407 480 205

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Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon Ps 83: 10-11

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;
and look on the face of your anointed one;
one day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First reading Isaiah 56: 1,6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 66(67): 2-3,5-6,8

Response: O God, let all the nations praise you!

- O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **R/**
- Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **R/**
- Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R/**

Second reading Romans 11: 13-15,29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4: 23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom
and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 15: 21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your

wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

Communion Antiphon Ps 129: 7

With the Lord there is mercy;
in him is plentiful redemption.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Is 22: 19-23;
2nd reading: Rom 11: 33-36; **Gospel:** Mt 16: 13-20

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This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 17th:

R/ You have forgotten God, who gave you birth.

Tuesday 18th

R/ It is I who deal death and give life.

Wednesday 19th:

R/ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Thursday 20th: St. Bernard (Memorial)

R/ I will pour clean water on you and wash away all your sins.

Friday 21st: St. Pius X (Memorial)

R/ Give thanks to the Lord; his love is everlasting.

Saturday 22nd: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

R/ The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.

REGISTRATION TO ATTEND MASS

A reminder that **you need to re-register each week** to attend Mass. If your registration happens to go over the limit on a given Sunday you will automatically be placed on the list for the following Sunday and you will receive a confirmation.

If you unable to attend after booking - Please advise the Marshall directly so your seat can be allocated to another person.

(Note: the Parish Office is unattended on weekends)

- St Ita's Church** (Vigil Mass only): **Saturday - 5pm**
Register to Eventbrite
<http://stitasduiltonpark.eventbrite.com> or
to Liam O'Rourke on 0411 033 321
- Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church: Sunday - 7am**
Register to Elvis Chua on 0450 029 410
or email elvis_chua@yahoo.com
- St Francis of Assisi Church: Sunday - 9am**
Register to Mary & Peter Sheehan on : 041 969 7773
or email peterwsheehan@bigpond.com
- St Mary's Church**
7am Monday - Friday daily mass
8am Saturday mass
9am Sunday mass
5pm Sunday mass
Register to Dianne Ezy on 0411 869 017 or email
ezzydi@bigpond.com

When you register please leave a clear message with name and telephone number

Important Notes

- We ask if you are unwell, please do not attend mass.
- Covid-19 protocols are in place.
- Once booked in you will receive a confirmation call or email to advise of the mass you are registered for.
- When attending mass you must sign the register, please bring your own pen to do this.
- Please do not turn up to mass unless you have received confirmation that you are registered.

Police are already enforcing the guidelines for gatherings at churches this week. You will risk being fined even if you are in the car park.

ATTENTION MASS ATTENDEES

If you are unable to attend after you have registered, please advise the Marshalls either by phone or email as soon as possible, so your seat can be allocated to another person. There are a number of people on the Waiting List each week.



National Emergency Appeal for Lebanon

In response to the horrific explosion in Beirut on the 4th of August, the Australian office of the international Catholic Charity, Aid to the Church in Need, has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds to support the people of Lebanon.

To read more about the appeal, and to make a donation, please visit: www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon or call 1800 101 201 during business hours: 8am-5pm, AEST.

Social Justice Statement

To live life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today

In the lead-up to Social Justice Sunday, on 30 August, Australian Catholic Bishops Conference have released the Social Justice Statement 2020-21, which focuses on the critical subject of mental health. More information on

www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a dramatic impact on the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. In fact, most of us will experience a mental health problem at some point over the course of our lives. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. Our parishes, organisations and communities can be places of acceptance, care and healing, not places of rejection, judgment or stigma. The Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meets the need of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community.

Do Not Be Afraid Mental Illness and Outreach

The Bishop Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service Secretariat of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is to be highly commended for this helpful, practical and comprehensive website.

The site cover areas such as: educational resources, info graphics, sample articles, contacts in case of crisis and much more. Many of these resources are also compiled in a 59-page, hardcopy book. www.catholic.org.au/donotbeafraid

Australian Catholic Bishops Men's Conference

it is still not too late to register to be a part of the very first event of this kind.

At this time the conference has over 700 registrations across Australia, New Zealand and Kenya as well as 39 hosting sites if men wish to undertake the conference as part of a group.

Please click on this link bit.ly/cm2020event to register. This will allow the conference to provide further information about the conference and future men's gatherings.

Natural Fertility Awareness Week from 17th to 23rd August

Are you wondering how you can find out more about your reproductive health during these times of isolation and social distancing?

Billings LIFE has the answer!! Why not learn how to track your fertility using, Fertility Pinpoint™- it's more than an App! It is an online service that provides you with your own personal accredited Billings Ovulation Method® tutor who can help you learn how to track your unique cycles and recognise your fertility and infertility on a daily basis – all remotely and safely.

Billings Ovulation Method® is scientifically validated and simple to use. It's the healthy alternative.

For more information check the website: www.fertilitypinpoint.com and start to take control of your life.

Rest in Peace

Our prayers and condolences to Fr. Martin Situmorang OFM Cap and his family on the passing of his father, Karnelius Situmorang on Friday 7 August. May his soul rest in peace.

Accommodation Needed

Accommodation required for 5 months for a Brisbane family needing to be near their child receiving treatment in the Mater Hospital.

If you are able to help please contact the parish office.

Mercy Aged Care Nudgee Call for Transfer & Transport Volunteers

The Mercy Aged Care facility is set on beautiful grounds and our resident's living spaces are blended into well maintained gardens and green spaces spread over a large footprint. Presently we are calling for volunteers to assist with wheeling and transporting residents on Thursday mornings (8.30 to 11.30am) to gather for Mass, starting from July 30th.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Volunteers will need to undergo a Criminal History Check as a condition of volunteering with Mercy Community. Additionally, as you will be volunteering within an Aged Care facility and in line with Government regulations you will need to provide proof of an up to date flu vaccination and comply with COVID-safe requirements.

Pastoral Care Update

Dear parishioners,

The Parish Pastoral ministry to the vulnerable Elderly, families and homeless continue to respond in dealing with uncertainty during the Coronavirus Pandemic. In my weekly visits the majority of them expressed that the daily news update about the global pandemic crisis has brought them a huge wave of grief, anxiety, uncertainty and fear. Some of them had poor health 3 had a bad fall and been in and out of hospital, in pain and suffering with lots of question in their minds.

As I mentioned in my previous updates our ministry keeps on expanding. This week I had to call in two more volunteers Lonnie and Hollie to help in cooking due to 31 new additional people we have to serve and care for. Thanks to all who continue to support us in many ways and shared in showing kindness, love and compassion to the needy in this very tough time in their life. Keeping in mind this beautiful quote attributed to St. Francis of Assisi. "Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words only when necessary." Myself and the team of volunteers may not be blessed with the gift of preaching but God blessed us with the gifts of time and talents that we can generously share with others. Sharing a nutritious meal, lend an open ear to listen to the joys and sorrows of others, and share their burdens and pray with them. There were times they asked: "Where are you God? Where can I find you? Lord, please help me"... As I was bringing Holy Communion; I told them for sure Jesus will say "Here I am, I have come to see you and dwell in your heart." Do not be afraid I am with you." and a short visit would comfort them in some way. Most of us are not asked to do great things but it is in small ways that we can all make a difference. A new way of evangelizing or preaching by our actions. The food that we share is only an instrument or a stepping stone in order to reach out and bring the love of God. Our ministry reminds me of the words of the song: "They'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love." May all of us share in this mission to spread the virus of love and compassion as Christians.

God bless you,
Sr. Salvacion, sfi