



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.

Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars



Dutton Park
CATHOLIC PARISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8th May 2022 - Year C

Blind Trust in Jesus

This Sunday's Gospel reading is short and to the point: Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is the only one we follow, the only one we can trust blindly.

Others who have authority in our lives might be good shepherds, but none of them are to be followed blindly, not even the best of them. We respect the positions of bishops, parish pastors, employers, teachers, parents, etc., but all make mistakes, all sin, all have incomplete understandings of the situations for which they're responsible. We must use the Holy Spirit's gift of discernment in each case so that we don't behave like dumb sheep inadvertently cooperating with decisions that grieve our Father God.

Only Jesus can be blindly trusted. Only Jesus is perfect and knows all, understands all, and never sins. Only Jesus can successfully make the right decisions all the time and lead us through the various situations of life without inadvertently cooperating with evil. Only Jesus can discern and implement a plan that's best for every person who's affected by the plan. Only Jesus can lead us closer and closer to heaven while guiding us through the pitfalls and dangers of the journey.

And it is only Jesus who can smile at our blunders when we stray from his plans, because he knows that we still really do love him and want to do what's right. He knows how to implement a new plan that will steer us back into safe pastures. He compassionately holds onto us so that we don't wriggle away from the Father's hand forever.

Whenever we distrust anyone -- ourselves, included -- we can safely trust that no matter what happens, Jesus is always there, steadfastly guiding us and re-guiding us after we stray. Because we really do love him and want to do what's right, he is securing our safety, redeeming our mistakes, making good come from bad when we repent of our sins, and of course always making sure that we'll get home to heaven.

To be good sheep, all we have to do is cooperate with his guidance!

Questions for Personal Reflection:

How much do you trust yourself and your discernment of truth and your ability to stay on the path to heaven? Who else is difficult to trust right now? What will you do this week to entrust these matters to Jesus?

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Welcome to New Parishioners

Please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. For more information about our parish or how to volunteer in the Church ministry or our activities, please contact the Parish Office below.

MASS TIMES

St Mary's (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)

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

Sunday: 9am and 5pm

- Youth Mass: 4th Sunday 5pm

St Francis of Assisi (47 Dornoch Tce, West End)

- Sunday: 9am

St Ita's (Pope St, Dutton Park)

- Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
- Sunday: 10.30am (Indonesian)

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

(Victoria St, Fairfield)

- Sunday: 7am

CONFESSION :

St Mary's Church

Fri: 7.30am-8am | Sat: 8.30am-9am | Sun: 4.15-4.45pm

St Ita's Church

By appointment (contact parish office)

More information:

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- www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading (Acts 13:14,43-52)

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 99(100):1-3,5)

R: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy. **R/**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.

He made us, we belong to him,

we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R/**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,

eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age. **R/**

Second reading (Apocalypse 7:9,14-17)

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will

spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

Gospel Acclamation (John 10:14)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel (John 10:27-30)

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen,

who laid down his life for his sheep

and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Next Sunday's readings:

1st reading: Acts 14: 21-27

2nd reading: Rev 21: 1-5

Gospel: Jn 13: 31-35

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 9th:

R/ My soul is thirsting for the living God.

Tuesday 10th:

R/ All you nations, praise the Lord.

Wednesday 11th:

R/ O God, let all the nations praise you!

Thursday 12th:

R/ Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Friday 13th:

R/ You are my Son; this day I have begotten you.

Saturday 14th: Feast (St Matthias)

R/ The Lord will give him a seat with the leaders of his people.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Today we honour and thank God for the special women He has placed in our lives, our mothers, aunts, grandmothers, neighbours, friends, teachers, and all women in our community.

Lord,
we thank you for their love,
sacrifice, struggle and joy.
We thank you for their courage, faith,
love and fierceness.
We thank you for their gift of themselves
that they have given.
We thank you for their tears, their strength,
their wisdom and their lives.

Grant that we, their children,
may honour them always with a spirit of
profound love, respect and thanksgiving,
through Christ our Lord.
Amen



Pilgrim Virgin Statue May - October



Pope Francis wants to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May.

What better way to do this than inviting the Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home and pray the Rosary everyday while it is there.

Commit to praying the Rosary every day. The Rosary is the best method of honouring Mary, and will bring great peace and holiness to your life.

The statue usually stays with each family for one week. 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.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

• LAPTOP OPERATOR

Volunteer needed to operate power point slides at Mass each Sunday on a roster.

• FLOWERS & HELPERS

Flowers and volunteer needed for flower arrangements at Sunday Mass.

If you have flowering bushes, shrubs trees, orchids, or colourful foliage, please consider donating each week, once a month or occasionally.

Please contact the Church Coordinator after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

CONDOLENCES

Dutton Park Parish family extends sincere condolences to the family of our long time parishioner Noell Synnott (aged 83 years).

Requiem Mass:
Tuesday, 10 May 2022 at 10am
St Francis of Assisi Church, Dutton Park

Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord,
and let the perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace.
Amen

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM UPDATES

The Commitment Mass to marks the beginning of the preparation of the candidates for the sacrament of confirmation is on Saturday, 7 May - 5pm at St. Ita's Church, Dutton Park. Please remember them in your prayers.

Confirmation Commitment Pray

"God of love,
send your Holy Spirit into these families
to guide them in their journey of preparation,
to fill their minds with light and
their hearts with love.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen"

TWO MINUTE CATECHISM

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Why is this sacrament called Confirmation?

It is called Confirmation because it confirms and strengthens baptismal grace.

Who Can Receive This Sacrament?

Every baptised person not yet confirmed can and should receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Since Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist form a unity, it follows that "the faithful are obliged to receive this sacrament at the appropriate time," for without Confirmation and Eucharist, Baptism is certainly valid and efficacious, but Christian initiation remains incomplete.

Preparation for Confirmation should aim at leading the Christian toward a more intimate union with Christ and a more lively familiarity with the Holy Spirit - his actions, his gifts, and his biddings - in order to be more capable of assuming the apostolic responsibilities of Christian life. To this end catechesis for Confirmation should strive to awaken a sense of belonging to the Church of Jesus Christ, the universal Church as well as the parish community. The latter bears special responsibility for the preparation of confirmands.

Who is the minister of Confirmation?

The original minister of Confirmation is the bishop. In this way the link between the confirmed and the Church is her apostolic dimension is made manifest. When a priest confers this sacrament, as ordinarily happens in the East and in special cases in the West, the link with the bishop and with the Church is expressed by the priest who is the collaborator of the bishop and by the Sacred Chrism, consecrated by the bishop himself.

Extract taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church

PARISH ACTIVITIES 2022

BAPTISMS

2nd Saturday - 9.30am: St Mary's Church
(Family preparation sessions on the 4th Tuesday - Bookings essential.)

ADORATION

Sunday 4-5pm: St Mary's Church

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

- 1st Friday - 7am: St Mary's Church
- 1st Saturday - 5pm: St Ita's Church
- 1st Sunday - 7am: OLPS Fairfield

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (School Term Only)

- Saturdays - 5.00pm: St Ita's Church (Vigil Mass)
- Sundays - 9.00am: St Mary's Church

FAMILY MASS

4th Saturday - 5pm: St Ita's Church
(School term only - check dates on website)

ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

1st and 3rd Monday: 10am -1pm
St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

PARISH PLANNED GIVING FOR 1ST & 2ND COLLECTIONS

Please consider giving to our planned giving program.

Thank you to the committed parishioners who financially support our parish every week. As you can imagine the cost of running and the upkeep of a parish this size takes a considerable amount and we ask that you prayerfully consider committing to assist our planned giving program.

Our parishes are separate with individual accounts - please download the correct one for you, complete and email back to the parish office directly.

Dutton Park Parish download:

[Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)

St Mary's Parish download:

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Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

Dutton Park Parish:

BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 022 825
Ref: Your Last Name and Collections

St Mary's Parish South Brisbane

BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 009 890
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(Please always use Reference of Your Last Name and the word Collections)

We also have **Tap n Go**
see Church Coordinator at Mass.

A Morning's Prayer



A Morning's Prayer is a 3-hour Saturday morning retreat to get away and spend some quality time with God. It will be facilitated with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing and aims to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life.

Time: 9am-12pm

Date: Saturday 4th June 2022

Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (267 Wellington Street, Ormiston)

Cost: \$20

Register:

<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/amorningsprayer3>

The Cathedral Seminars

What implications does our faith have for how we live today?

Grow in understanding of not just what the Church teaches but how to incorporate it into your lived experience as our guest, Deacon Peter Pellican PhD (Executive Director, Evangelisation Brisbane), explores what it means to be 'People of the Spirit' and Shane Dwyer (Associate Director, Adult Formation, Evangelisation Brisbane) explores what it means to be 'People of the Eucharist'.



Details:

Time: 7-8:30pm

Date: Thursday 30th June 2022

Location: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral Precinct (196 Charlotte St, Brisbane City)

Cost: \$10pp (in person or online)

Register now at:

<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/CathedralSeminar-June>



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A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

This month can you provide transport to help priests and religious reach and nourish the faithful in Tanzania?

Your offering will bridge the divide between priests and their people in Tanzania due to the harsh terrain and dangerous travel. By providing a means of transport, the faithful will be able to participate in more frequent Masses and partake of the Sacraments, as well as providing a means of help to the people, including pregnant mothers, to reach medical facilities.

To make an offering to ACN's Project of the Month visit www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject

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