

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



The community of St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parishes stand.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 31st July 2022 - Year C

The Wealth of God's Generosity

When we understand God's generosity, we realize how wealthy we truly are. Even if we have little money in the bank, our lives are rich in God -- feeling protected and cared for by God, giving us an abundance of peace that gets us through trials and battles with wisdom and endurance.

God's generosity also leads to material goods. Every material blessing we have comes from God. He delivers it to us through the talents and skills that he has given to us. Whatever we earn through our own efforts comes originally from God's efforts. God is the source of everything that's good in our lives.

However, there's always a purpose that's bigger than us. Everything from God is meant to bless others, too. We are channels of God's generosity.

Whatever we have that we refuse to share becomes the cause of sin. We succumb to selfishness, which is akin to greed. The problem with greed is that it hurts others by denying them what God wants to share with them.

What makes us vulnerable to this sin? Self-reliance. It comes from thinking that we can rely solely on ourselves and on our own resources instead of partnering with God in generosity. Even when we recognize that God has been generous with us, selfreliance says that we are responsible for preventing the poverty of giving it away to others.

When we protect our lives by storing up our goods, others suffer. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus addresses both greed and self-reliance, because they are completely contrary to the personality of God.

Generosity grows when we understand that God is the provider of everything good and that he will continue to provide for us even when we give away what he gives to us -- especially when we give away what he gives to us. Think about what you have in abundance (be it money, or joy, or wisdom, or lessons learned from experience, or ______). Now look around. How might you be the answer to someone else's' prayers?

Whatever we hope to have already belongs to God and is meant to be shared with others. This is the primary economic principle of the kingdom of God. The Body of Christ thrives only when there's a continual exchange of goods. We call this the communion of saints.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What is most difficult for you to share or give away? Why do you cling to it? What are you afraid will happen if you let go of it?

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

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:
Websites: - www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au - www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

FB: - www.facebook.com/stmaryssouthbrisbane/ www.fb.me/duttonparkwestendcatholicparish

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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- St Francis of Assisi: Liam Cunnane (0477 306 166)
- St Ita's Church: Liam O'Rourke (0411 033 321)
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PARISH ACTIVITIES 2022

BAPTISMS

2nd Saturday of the Month - 9.30am: St Mary's Church

(Family preparation sessions on the 4th Tuesday - Bookings essential.)

PRAYER & ADORATION

Tuesday 7pm: St Mary's Church Sunday 4pm: 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)

 Saturday - 5.00pm: St Ita's Church (Vigil Mass)

• Sunday - 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

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Please consider giving to our planned giving program.

Your continued support for our Parishes is appreciated. If you'd like to use direct debit please download one of the form below, complete and email back to the parish office directly.

Dutton Park Parish download:

<u>Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form</u>

St Mary's Parish download:

St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form

Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

Dutton Park Parish:

BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 022 825 Ref: <u>Last Name and Collections</u>

St Mary's Parish South Brisbane

BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100 009 890 Ref: Your Last Name and Collections

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

SAFEGUARDING

St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish have zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in their activities, ministries and services.

The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at -risk is paramount.

To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550

For more information visit brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding

SPECIAL AFTERNOON TEA FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY Sponsored by yr 11 Villanova students



St Francis Table Ministry invite all grandparents and the elderly for a special afternoon tea on:

Thursday, 4th August - 1.00pm At St Francis Hall, West End

RSVP by Tuesday 2nd August Call the Parish Office on 3844 2744

St Mary's Church Feast Day Sunday, 14th August - 9.00am

We will celebrate St Mary's Church Feast Day (the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) this year together with Fr Joshy's silver Jubilee celebration of his religious vows.

All welcome.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Enrolment is now open!

If you have a child who will be in year 4 or older in 2022 and you wish for your child to receive this sacrament in our Parishes, please complete the forms and return to the Parish Office by Monday 1 August 2022.

You could find and download the forms from our websites <u>www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au</u> or <u>www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au</u>

Information Evening:

Wednesday, 3 August 2022 - 6.00pm in St Ita's Church, Dutton Park.

It is important to attend this session for both candidate and parent/guardian.

RCIA 2022

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith?

You might like to join our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults).

RCIA is a group of adults who explore aspects of the Catholic Faith together in a journey of faith, accompanied by the support of a parish community. During the journey you meet with others to share, reflect, pray and learn more about the Catholic faith. There are ceremonies or 'rites' at each stage to signify the steps along the way.

Instruction for RCIA is begins each year in September, meets once a week and continues through the year until the Easter Vigil.

Introduction/Information Session Saturday 10th September 2022 - 2.30pm St Ita's Board Meeting Room, Dutton Park

Please contact the Parish Office on 3844 2744 or email stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au for more information. Cost - free!

SAFEGUARDING SURVEY

The protection and wellbeing of children and the vulnerable is at the core of Church mission, and setting the right approach to safeguarding is important.



WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK! Please take the survey by scanning the barcode below.



Child Safeguarding Survey (Children 5-12 yrs)

Parish Safeguarding Survey (Adult)





Palms Australia

Can you undertake an Overseas

Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves. Please consider these Mission opportunities abroad.

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support. Palms Australia, who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away. Enquire online or Ph: 0422 742 567 to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

You can also Register for a Webinar on Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm to talk directly with a Palms' partner community in Timor Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them. Invite your friends. The stories will inspire.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN: 20 - 21 AUGUST 2022



Be the face of Christ for others

We are called to be the face, hands, and heart of Christ in our communities. Every day, God showers us with blessings so we will have gifts to share. Your support serves those in our community who need our care today.





PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE May - October

To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October please contact the Parish Office.

When was the last time you reviewed your will?

HopgoodGanim Lawyers is a Brisbane-based law firm which was founded in 1974. We can help you with:

- wills & estate planning; and
- estate administration & disputes.

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Contact - Greg Cox 3024 0331 g.cox@hopgoodganim.com.au www.hopgoodganim.com.au

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK **AUGUST 7 - 14, 2022**

Vocation Matters: Vocation means God calls, and we respond.

Why does it matter that people discover their God -given vocations? Because the Church relies on the unique contribution of every person. As St John Henry Newman reflected, "God has created me to do some special service; God has committed some work to which has not been committed to another.

I HAVE A MISSION". Where is God calling you?



If you are interested in learning more about the Capuchin way of please visit the Capuchin website, social media page or contact Fr John Nguyen OFM Cap, the Vocations Director.

• Website: capuchin.org.au

• facebook.com/capuchinfriarsaustralia

• Email: vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au



Archbishop of Brisbane, Mark Coleridge invites you to a special celebration of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, patron of the Archdiocese, on her feast day, Monday 8 August.

Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am in the Cathedral followed by morning tea in the surrounding grounds.

RSVP: email rsvp@bne.catholic.net.au

or call 07 3324 3200



READINGS AT MASS

First reading:

Eccl 1: 2, 2: 21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 89: 3-6, 12-14, 17

R: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back to dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. R/

You sweep men away like a dream, like the grass which springs up in the morning.

In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. **R/**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R/**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R/**

Second reading:

Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation:

Matt 5: 3

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

Gospel:

Luke 12: 13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

Communion Antiphon:

Wis 16: 20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Wis 18: 6-9 2nd reading: Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19

Gospel: Lk 12: 32-48

THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 1st: Memorial (St Alphonsus Liguori)

R: Teach me your laws, O Lord.

Tuesday 2nd:

R: The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.

Wednesday 3rd: *Memorial (St Dominic)*R: The Lord will guard us, like a shepherd

guarding his flock.

Thursday 4th: *Memorial (St John Vianney)* **R:** Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Friday 5th:

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

Saturday 6th: Feast (The Transfiguration of the Lord)

R: The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth..