

#### 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.

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18th September 2022 - Year C

#### **God's Economics**

Poverty, as exampled by many Saints, is not the only path of holiness. This Sunday's Gospel reading tells us how a person can be affluent and holy at the same time as exampled by other Saints.

If we recognize that our possessions are gifts from God that are meant to enhance his kingdom, we are holy. But if we cling to money and material wealth as if they are meant only for our own benefit, we've divided ourselves from God, because God's Word emphasizes the importance of distributing to others a generous portion of everything we've received.

When acquiring wealth is a higher priority than distributing what we already have, God is not our master. This is true not only with material goods, but with everything else that is good, too.

We are all richly blessed one way or another: How readily to do use your riches for the benefit of others?

The "dishonest wealth" of which Jesus speaks is anything that "belongs to another". When we use other people's money (for example, taking out a loan from the bank) to our own advantage, we are not being trustworthy stewards unless it also glorifies the kingdom of God (for example, a bank loan for a house mortgage is good because it serves the family, but only as long as it doesn't require so much income that a bigger house means little time for the children.)

Likewise, if we misuse time by catering to selfish desires at the expense of those who need our attention, we are untrustworthy in the kingdom of God. Jesus wants to bless people through you. He has called you to be a distributor of his gifts. If we ignore this primary principle of God's economy, Jesus says, "Who will give you what is yours?"

What is ours, if we're trustworthy enough to be good stewards, are riches that will remain with us for all of eternity: the wealth of the spirit, the approval and praise of God, the fullness of love, etc.

To be holy with affluence, we have to first be trustworthy with the love that belongs to others — the love that God feels for them. Our trust-ability is found in the sharing of our temporal (earthly) goods as well as eternal goods (faith, wisdom, hope, etc.).

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### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be no Children's Liturgy during school holidays at St Mary's Church.

We will recommence when the School term has started.

#### **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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#### **Safeguarding Officers:**

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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 6.30pm: 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:**

Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form

### 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 <a href="mailto:brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding">brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding</a>

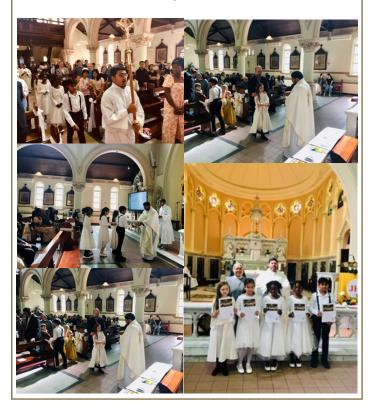
#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to all the children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in our Parishes last weekend. We thank the parents and family who have guided these children on their journey and very grateful to the Sacramental Team, Music Ministries and other volunteers for their contribution to the success of the program. Please continue to keep these children and their family in your prayers.

#### St Ita's Church



#### St Mary's Church









email: cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au

telephone: 3324 3030

The Cathedral car park will be available.

Share your cultural faith expression and celebrate the diversity of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Brisbane at the annual Multicultural Mass.

The Mass will be held on: Sunday 25th September at St Stephen's Cathedral in observance of World Day of Migrant and Refugees (25 September), highlighting this year's theme, "Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees".

It will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. Cultural performances and refreshments in the cathedral grounds will follow.

All are invited and all are welcome!

Find out more or register here: <a href="https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM22">https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM22</a>

# 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



# Are you seeking some spiritual direction or spiritual accompaniment?

There is a list of directors on offer in the Archdiocese and these can be accessed easily via the web-site.

https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/spiritual-direction/



#### A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

Please consider leaving an eternal legacy by remembering Aid to the Church in Need in your will. This gift will ensure that the light of faith continues to shine brightly throughout the world and that persecuted, and suffering Christians will be cared for and given a voice.

When you leave a gift in your will to ACN you can also rest assured that ACN will arrange Masses for the eternal repose of your soul.

Visit www.aidtochurch.org/legacies

#### FRIENDS WHO STITCH

A hobby group for sewing, embroidery, patchwork, knitting/crochet.

Meeting Thursday every forthnight. Next few meetings: 7/7, 21/7, 4/8, etc



From 9.30am - 12.30pm At St Francis meeting room 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

BYO tools and materials (your own project) Morning tea provided Donation \$5/mth to the Parish

If you are interested and need more information Contact Kathleen Gurr on 0405 470 036

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#### **READINGS AT MASS**

#### First reading: Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?

Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 112(113):1-2,4-8

#### R: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! **R/** 

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? R/

From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. R/

#### Second reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or arqument.

#### Gospel Acclamation: 2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples:

'There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your steward-ship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from

office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the

children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

#### Communion Antiphon: Ps 118: 4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

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#### **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

What are you reluctant to share? What do you fear will happen if you surrender it to God for his use and his purposes? What do you need to do with this fear so that you can become a good steward of God's riches?

#### **THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses**

#### Monday 19th:

**R:** Whoever does justice shall live on the Lord's mountain.

#### Tuesday 20th:

**R:** Guide me, Lord, in the way of your commands.

#### Wednesday 21st: Feast (Saint Matthews)

**R:** Their message goes out through all the earth.

#### Thursday 22nd:

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

#### Friday 23rd:

R: Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!

#### Saturday 24th:

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

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Amos 6:1,4-7 2nd reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

**Gospel**: Luke 16:19-31