

### EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Mary's - South Brisbane, St Francis of Assisi - West End, St Ita's - Dutton Park &





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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25th September 2022 - Year C

#### What makes us generous?

What was the rich man's sin in this Sunday's Gospel story? What tormented him after he died? Being wealthy is not sinful; what tortured his soul was his decision to not share his wealth with Lazarus while he had the opportunity.

Death is not a closing of life; it's the opening up of our souls so we become fully alive in the truth of God's love. Death awakens us to the full reality of who God is and all the gifts he has given us and how well — or how poorly — we've invested those aifts.

Whenever we share with others the gifts that we've received, we're investing in God's kingdom. In God's economy, our investments always pay off very well. We receive more than we give away so that we can share even more!

In contrast, when we protect and keep something for ourselves, we lose it like a flower that's "protected" in a dark box. The flower wilts. It cannot grow in the dark. Everything we try to protect ends up useless and even poisonous: We stagnate spiritually as well as emotionally. The gift rots. Our selfishness destroys our union with God who is the Master of Generosity.

Every day, we're given opportunities to share something — some blessing from God — with others. Perhaps what made the rich man in the parable turn away from Lazarus was his disease. Since Lazarus was covered in sores, we can surmise that he was a leper and highly contagious.

This leads us to the question: Do we share less because we feel disgust toward those who need what we have? Or maybe fear holds us back. Or resentment or unforgiving anger. To be united to God and experience everlasting joy, we cannot live in this state. We have to let love motivate us. Love has no limits; it's always generous.

In the second reading, we hear: "Compete well for the faith." Against whom are we competing? Ourselves! Are you holier today than you were the last time you had an opportunity to be generous? Are you spiritually stronger because you've worked hard at becoming more loving and generous?

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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

#### **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**

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap Email: <a href="mailto:pp.southbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au">pp.southbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au</a>

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#### **Safeguarding Officers:**

- St Mary's Church: Chris Bolger (0407 480 205)
- 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: Last Name and Collections

#### 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

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY



There will be no Children's Liturgy during school holidays and the whole month of October 2022 at St Mary's Church.

We will recommence in November 2022.

#### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023 Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation** For children in year 5 or older

#### **ENROLMENT IS NOW OPEN!**

The sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation is the next sacrament to be received by the children after the sacrament of First Holy Communion. If you have a child who is currently in Year 5 or older and has received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and if you feel ready as a family to prepare with your child to receive the sacrament of Penance in 2023 please complete the enrolment forms and return to the Parish Office by Monday, 6 February 2023.

#### **Information Evening** Wednesday, 8 February 2023 - 6pm St Ita's Church Dutton Park

Please download the forms from our websites: www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au ٥r

www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

#### **RCIA 2022** (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.

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

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



## 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/

# Verse-for-Vinnies Sunday September 25, Grovely Parish

Did you know there's a show where you really should go
As you certainly will have a ball.
Billy Kearns is the star and you'll get "Ha-ha-ha" as he'll laugh you right out of the hall.
I can confidently say that the poems this day will be ones that you wish you had more.
Bill will have you all smile, you'll forget for a while any problems you brought through the door.
Now this concert's not free, fifteen bucks is the fee but it goes to those really in need.
and as part of the fee there'll be afternoon tea but the 1.30 start you must heed.
Pay cash at the door. 67 Dawson Parade Grovely.

Use email: noel@noelstallard.com to book seats.



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: https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM22





## 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

#### **The Australian Blanket Exercise**

Walk in the footsteps of Australian First Nations Peoples through storytelling and immersion facilitated by Thelma Parker, Alfredo Barahona and Connor Sarazin.

Time: 11am - 1pm Date: 6th October Location: John Paul II Building, ACU Banyo (1100 Nudgee Rd,

Banyo) Cost: \$50pp

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

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### "Calling all Men!!

A Parish mission for men By menALIVE is being hosted by Corinda/Graceville Parish on the weekend of 15/16th of October.

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See details and Register here

https://www.menalive.org.au/menalive-weekend/

**Enquires to : Col Ahern, Phone: 0401324469** 

Email: colin.ahern@menalive.org.au



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

ACN AUSTRALIA

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

Aid to the Church in Need invites you to join the prayer campaign **One Million Children Praying the Rosary.** 

We are inviting families, parishes, catechists, and teachers to pray together with children on the **18**<sup>th</sup> **of October** for peace and unity in the world. Prayer materials have been prepared for you to spread the word and be inspired when gathering the children to pray the rosary together.

To register and learn more visit: www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children





#### **READINGS AT MASS**

#### First reading: Amos 6:1, 4-7

The almighty Lord says this:
Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of
Samaria, those famous men of this first of nations
to whom the House of Israel goes as client.
Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans,
they dine on lambs from the flock,
and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of
the harp, they invent new instruments of music
like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and
use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but
about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.
That is why they will be the first to be exiled;
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

# Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145(146):7-10 R: Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R/** 

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R/** 

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **R/** 

#### Second reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords,

who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

#### 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 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom

of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.""

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 118: 49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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#### Questions for Personal Reflection:

Bring to mind someone you find disgusting and unlikable. How generous are you toward him or her? If you've missed an opportunity to share a blessing with this person, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will give you strength, through special grace, to overcome this sin.

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

#### Monday 26th:

**R:** Lord, bend your ear and hear my prayer.

#### Tuesday 27th:

**R:** Let my prayer come before you, Lord.

#### Wednesday 28th:

R: Let my prayer come before you, Lord.

Thursday 29th: Feast (Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael)

**R:** In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord.

#### Friday 30th:

R: Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way.

#### Saturday 1st:

R: Lord, let your face shine on me.

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**1st reading**: Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4 **2nd reading**: 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14

**Gospel**: Luke 17:5-10