

### 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.

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 23th October 2022 - Year C

### How love humbles us into righteousness

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, we see what happens when our primary motivation in whatever we do is not love but self-centeredness. "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled." Sooner or later, self-exalting people get humbled, whether they realize it or not. They are brought down low by their own behaviors. People who encounter them in daily life do not think very highly of them. And certainly, God doesn't either.

The much better alternative is to let our love for others be what humbles us.

Without love as our motivation, we believe in our own so-called "righteousness," thinking we're okay when we're not. But when we do good deeds for others because we genuinely care about them, the pride of our self-righteousness is replaced by holy humility.

We are made righteous by our love for others. Self -righteousness is self-made -- it motivates us to do good, but only for the selfish purpose of looking admirable, winning God's approval, or gaining some other personal benefit. Love, which is true righteousness, motivates us to do good for the sake of others.

Look at the Pharisee in Jesus' parable. We all behave like that from time to time. Think of someone who is inferior to you because you are holier, who doesn't go to church as often as you do, or who doesn't pray like you do. Think of someone who is not worthy of your time and caregiving. Think of someone who is too difficult to love.

The cure for this self-righteousness is to get in touch with God's concern for them. Once we unite our hearts to God's love for them, we begin to care about them, too. And the most powerful, most successful way to accomplish such union with God is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which absolves us of self-righteousness and empowers us with divine grace to absorb Christ's own righteousness.

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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** 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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#### **READINGS AT MASS**

### First reading: Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

The Lord is a judge

who is no respecter of personages.

He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man,

he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,

nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted,

his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,

until it arrives he is inconsolable,

And the Lord will not be slow,

nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

### Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33(34):2-3,17-19,23

#### R: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. R/

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. R/

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. R/

#### Second reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me - may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Gospel Acclamation: 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

#### **Gospel: Luke 18:9-14**

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.

#### Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 19: 6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

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#### Questions for Personal Reflection:

Think of those who are less spiritually active than you, e.g., family, friends, co-workers, and parishioners who cause you to think: "Thank God I am not like them!" Do you grieve for them because of their sins and blindness? Do you do anything to help them grow closer to Christ? Do they experience Jesus every time they encounter you?

#### THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

#### Monday 24th:

R: Behave like God as his very dear children.

#### Tuesday 25th:

R: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

#### Wednesday 26th:

R: The Lord is faithful in all his word.

#### Thursday 27th:

R: Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!

Friday 28th: Feast (Sts Simon and Jude) R: Their message goes out through all the earth.

#### Saturday 29th:

R: My soul is thirsting for the living God.

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

#### 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

2nd reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

**Gospel**: Luke 19:1-10

#### **FUNDRAISING FOR ST MARY'S CHURCH**

Get your car wash while attending mass at St Mary's Church.

When: Sunday, 23 October 2022

during both masses (9am & 5pm masses)



Cost: \$25 per car

\$35 for 4WDs and people movers.

Volunteers to wash cars and cars to wash needed. Enquiries to RUBY (0412 193 462).

#### **CHILDREN'S MASS - ST MARY'S** Sunday, 23 October - 9am

"Children are a wonderful gift from God and a joy for parents." Twitter - Pope Francis @ Pontifex 12 Apr 2016.

This year International Children's Day will be celebrated in Australia on 26 October.

Please join us at St Mary's Church on Sunday, 23 October at 9 am mass, for a special celebration to acknowledge the precious and wonderful gift of our Children. All welcome!

#### ST MARY'S CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Many thanks to all who have supported the restoration of St Mary's Church over the past years. There is still an opportunity to sponsor a Perpetual Pew. This provides a way to not only remember your loved ones but also assists with the funding of our restoration projects.

To sponsor a pew; \$1,000 for small pew and \$1,200 for long pew (only one long pew still available). Please note donations are not tax deductible.

A plaque will be engraved in Perpetuity "In Memory of ..." or "In Honour of ...", and affixed to the pew.

For more information or to order the plaque please contact the Parish Office or the Church Coordinator.



#### **PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE** May - October



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.

#### ST ITA'S CHURCH FAMILY MASS Saturday, 22 October at 5pm

Please join us at St Ita's Church for our monthly family mass this weekend; Saturday 22nd October at 5.00pm.

Save the date for the next month family mass (last one for 2022), Saturday 19 November.

#### ST FRANCIS' MONTHLY MORNING TEA Sunday, 6 November after 9am mass



Please come and join us for a special morning tea with a screening of "The Letter", telling the story of the <u>Lauda-to Si' encyclical letter</u>, who will be facilitated by our parishioner Fanny Boulaire. A little

discussion will follow afterward.

"The Letter" is about how the climate crisis is strongly affecting the Earth and all those who inhabit it. Beside featuring Pope Francis sharing his deep wisdom, also four other voices from India, Amazon, Senegal and Hawaii, representing the peripheries of the ecologi- | mudato si

cal crisis, are expressing the difficulties they are going through and how the climate crisis affects them closely.

All welcome! A plate to share is mostly welcomed.



#### 7:30pm Saturday 26 November 2022 St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Hall, West End

Inspired by the Catholic parish dances held around Brisbane during the 1950s - 1970s (ask your parents/grandparents about them!), the St Francis Social will be a good of fashion dance/social mixer for young adults in their 20s and 30s, with a bit of fundraising for local charities thrown in for good measure.





SCAN FOR MORE INFO & TICKETS

#### Information Day for prospective guides and welcomers at the Cathedral of St, Stephen

The guides and welcomers' group at The Cathedral of St. Stephen warmly invites you to attend an Information Day on becoming a tour guide and/or a welcomer at the Cathedral.

When: Saturday 19th November (10 am to 2 pm) Refreshments provided.

Where: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral of St. Stephen, Elizabeth St.

The information day is open to anyone. Please register your interest with Carmel Devery on 3324 3006 or email deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au





# Interfaith Panel: Humility, where does it get you?

Instead of perpetuating a fractured, isolated society which is damaging our mental health, let's explore humility and find our common humanity! In this interfaith panel conversation, the panel will discuss the role of humility in your personal development and in building stronger relationships.

If you've never been to an interfaith event before, this is a great place to start. There will be time for chatting with those of other faiths (and finding out how much you have in common), yummy new foods to try, and the panel conversation itself.

Thursday 27 October - 7pm Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre Register at <a href="https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/ifpanel\_oct22">https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/ifpanel\_oct22</a>

#### **PARISH ACTIVITIES 2022**

#### **BAPTISMS**

 2nd Saturday of the Month - 9.30am: St Mary's (Booking is essential.)

#### **PRAYER & ADORATION**

Tuesday 6.30pm: St Mary's ChurchSunday 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 (On hold - resume on 8 November 2022)

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



This week Catholic Mission will share the continued vision of Fr Habte and how, through the Goat Rearing Centre, many other families living in poverty are able to access agricultural training and employment that they would otherwise be unable to.

As shared by Fr Habte, when established, the Centre will not only provide nutritious milk but job creation and agricultural training for farmers and community members.

Please give generously this weekend to help continue this program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/families or by scanning the QR code below. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/families



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**St Mary's Parish download**: St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form

Dutton Park Parish download:
Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form

Other ways of giving direct internet transfer:

#### **St Mary's Parish South Brisbane**

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

### **Dutton Park Parish:**

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

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 <u>brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding</u>