

### 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.

## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** 30th April 2023 - Year A

### **Good News Reflection:** Do you need a breakthrough?

Are you at an impasse in your spiritual growth or emotional healing or a difficult relationship? Do you need a breakthrough? Do you feel stuck behind a fence that's keeping you on the outside of peace, joy, satisfaction, or healing?

This Sunday's Gospel reading tells us that Jesus is the gate in that fence. He helps us reach the heavenly side of the gate, outside the realm of earthly restrictions -- not only when we die and enter eternal life, but also here and now in our earthly life, so that we might always "have life and have it more abundantly.

When our path seems blocked, we can only make progress by letting Jesus shepherd us around and through and over the obstacles. If people shut a door on something that God wants us to do, Jesus is still our open gate and no one can close him out of our lives. He will lead us into a new opportunity for accomplishing the plans of God. If he's given us a frustrated holy desire or a passion for which there seems to be no outlet, instead of complaining or quitting, we must look at Jesus and see him as a gate that opens into a new direction or location.

Remember, however, that until we get all the way through this gate, we must stick close to him like dumb sheep. There's a journey to take before we can reach the other side of the fence.

The thief that comes to steal and slaughter can only reach us when we stray away from Jesus and we take our eyes off of him.

Despair and worry are two common thieves, robbing us of peace, joy, satisfaction, and healing. But they're not as powerful as they pretend to be. We defeat them easily by remembering that they do not speak the full truth. The truth is: Jesus is our Good Shepherd safely guiding us into a life of abundant victory!.

### Questions for Personal Reflection:

What breakthrough are you hoping for? What's frustrating you and seems hopeless? What's causing you to think that a problem you're facing might lead to disaster and destruction? What will you do this week to follow Jesus more closely so that you can get through this with more peace?

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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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- St Francis of Assisi: Liam Cunnane (0477 306 166)
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### **READINGS AT MASS**

First reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22(23)

# R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R/** 

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R/** 

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R/** 

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R/** 

Second reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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 10:1-10

Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:
he will go freely in and out
and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come
so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

### **Communion Antiphon**

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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

Monday 1st:

My soul is thirsting for the living God.

**Tuesday 2nd:** *Memorial (St Athanasius) All you nations, praise the Lord.* 

**Wednesday 3rd:** *Feast (Sts Philip and James) Their message goes out through all the earth.* 

Thursday 4th:

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord

Friday 5th:

You are my Son; this day I have begotten you

Saturday 6th:

All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

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

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

**1st reading**: Acts 6: 1-7 **2nd reading**: 1 Peter 2: 4-9

Gospel: John 14: 1-12



### **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation

"Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit." ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II

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https://tinyurl.com/cmprayers

Meeting ID: 885 9061 9139
Password: 855274

All Are Welcome!

### **Pilgrim Virgin Statue May - October**

Invite a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is there.

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

### TWO MINUTES CATECHISM

# Why does the Church celebrate the Feast of Saints Philip and James?

On May 3rd, the Church celebrates the Feast of Saints Philip and James to honor two early disciples of Jesus, who were among the original Twelve Apostles. The St. James of this feast day is James the Less, or Lesser, who was the brother of the Apostle Jude Thaddeus; both being sons of Alphaeus and of one of the "Three Marys" at the Cross.

# Why do Saints Philip and James the Less share a feast day?

It is believed that the reason Sts. Philip and James share a feast day is because their relics were brought to Rome together in early May of 560 A.D.. They were placed in a Basilica dedicated to them, located near the center of Rome. This Basilica has since been rededicated to the Twelve Holy Apostles.

Taken fromhttps://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-andfeast-days/easter-14354

### **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2023**

#### **Enrolment is now closed!**

We invite you to join us to celebrate the sacramental program Commitment Mass this Saturday, 29 April - 5pm at St Ita's Church, Dutton Park.



Please keep these children who are preparing for their sacrament of Confirmation in your prayers.



Welcome to the sixth biennial Mission: one heart many voices conference. Register now.

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Wednesday 3 – Friday 5 May, 2023 SMC Conference and Function Centre, Sydney







# 7:00pm Saturday 10 June 2023

### St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Hall, West End

The St Francis Social is a good ol' fashion dance for Catholic young adults aged 18 - 39, with a bit of fundraising for local charities thrown in for good measure!

All profits from this event (including ticket sales, drink purchases and raffle tickets) will be donated to Emmanuel City Mission to help fund the amazing work they do to support the homeless and vulnerable in Brisbane.

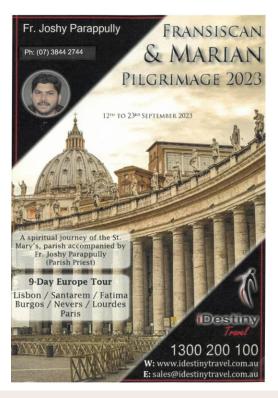
GOOD TUNES + GOOD DANCING + GOOD CROWD + FOR A GOOD CAUSE = A GOOD NIGHT OUT







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## **PARISH ACTIVITIES 2023**

### **BAPTISMS**

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

### **PRAYER & ADORATION**

Tuesday 6.30pm: St Mary's Church Sunday 4pm: St Mary's Church

### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturdays after 8am Mass until Sundays 8.30am

#### 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 (School term only)

St Ita's Church 4th Saturday - 5pm:

### ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

1st and 3rd Monday: 9am -1pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End



Contact: Father Joshy Parappully Phone: 07 3844 2744

### Itinerary: Franciscan and Marian Pilgrimage

Father Joshy Parappully, St. Mary's Parish, West End, Queensland Group Director:

Destinations: Portugal, Spain and France

Tour Dates: 12 September 2023 – 21 September 2023

Inclusions:

- · All air fares and taxes flying Emirates Airlines economy class departing from Brisbane
- All airport transfers and assistance at airport
- All tour transfers and visas for Australian passport holders
- All accommodation in 3-star and 4-star hotels on a Twin Share basis
- Meals provided on a Half-Board basis (Breakfast and Dinner included) Services of English-speaking Tour Director
- Services of professional guides as indicated in the itinerary

Group Size	Price Per Adult (Double Occupancy Room)
25-29	A\$6990
30-34	A\$6890
35-39	A\$6790
40-44	A\$6690
45-49	A\$6500

Single Supplement is an additional \$1150 to the prices listed above.



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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.

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