



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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 14th May 2023 - Year A

Good News Reflection: Jesus is giving you the best partner ever

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus tells us that the Holy Spirit is our "Advocate". Some scholars translate the word to "Counselor". In the original Greek, it means "called alongside". It's closely related to the verb "parakaleo" ("to call" or "summon") from which we get "Paraclete" as a name for the Holy Spirit. It referred to a legal assistant, a courtroom advocate. Jesus is telling us that the Holy Spirit is our legal assistant when we're falsely accused, misjudged, or wrongly condemned.

Notice that Jesus refers to our Advocate as the "Spirit of Truth". No matter what other people think about us, no matter what wrong things they say about us, no matter what opinions they have of us, God always knows the truth. And the truth that sets us free from their bad attitudes is this: It's only God's opinion that really matters. And his opinion of us is better than we think it is!

We judge ourselves more harshly than we should, and this is why we worry so much about how others are judging us. If we honestly examine our consciences, seek reconciliation with God for our sins during the Penance Rite at Mass or in the Sacrament

of Confession, and strive to improve, then Jesus says to us what he said to other sinners: "I do not condemn you; go and sin no more."

Don't you sometimes wish that Jesus would come physically to your rescue when you're misjudged? He said that he will not leave us orphans -- his Holy Spirit will always be with us when we need to be defended, telling us the truth about our goodness.

Even when we sin, the Spirit of Truth defends us to our heavenly Judge: "Look, this precious child really does want to be holy." To us, the Spirit says, "Let me teach you how to grow in holiness and avoid this sin." And to others, the Spirit says: "If you love me, love this good friend of mine."

Questions for Personal Reflection:

How have you been unjustly accused and unfairly judged? Imagine what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Father about that. And to those who condemned you. What is he saying to you about you?

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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

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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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READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Acts 8:5-8,14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 65(66):1-7,16,20

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **R/**

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **R/**

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **R/**

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **R/**

Second reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation: John 14: 23

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel: John 14: 15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him;

but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you.

I will not leave you orphans;

I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

Communion Antiphon

Jn 14: 15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 15th:

The Lord takes delight in his people.

Tuesday 16th:

Your right hand has saved me, O Lord.

Wednesday 17th:

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Thursday 18th:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Friday 19th:

God is king of all the earth.

Saturday 20th:

God is king of all the earth.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The Ascension of the Lord

1st reading: Acts 1: 1-11

2nd reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

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.

MASS INTENTION

If you wish to have a mass intention for your departed love ones, please use the envelope provided at the foyer of the Churches.

Please print the names for whom the mass is intended clearly with the specific date of the mass, and hand it in to the Priest.

Contact the Parish Office for more information.



ST MARY'S FUNDRAISING CAR WASH Sunday, 21 May during 9am Mass.

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

Cost: \$25 per car
\$35 for 4WDs and people movers.

Volunteers to wash cars and cars to wash required.
Enquiries DOUGLAS (0412 088 492).



LINE DANCING FOR HEALTH St Mary's South Brisbane Community Centre

Our Parish new activity!
Commence: Friday, 2nd June 2023

We are inviting you all to join our Line Dancing for Health programme (18years and older), which will commence on 2nd June.

Time : Every Friday 10:00am – 12:00 noon
Place: St. Mary's Church Community centre
48 Peel St., South Brisbane
Parking available at 20 Merivale St.
Fee: \$5 per session

Programme:
Raw beginner: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Upper beginner: 11:00 am - 12:00 am

If you are interested to join this activity, please complete this [registration form](#) and return to the Parish Office on southbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au.

Flyers are available at the entrance of the Church for more information, or contact the Parish Office.



Thank you from The Holy Land Commissariat

The Holy Land Custody of the Franciscan Friars and the Christians of the Holy Land, would like to sincerely thanks the parishioners, for their generous contribution of \$475 to the Good Friday Holy Land Collection for 2023.

Please continue to remember the Holy Land in your thoughts and prayers, and please know that whatever signs of solidarity you can make with the Holy Land Church and its peoples will be used well.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SVDP CONFERENCE THANK-YOU



'Serving Christ in the Poor' in the suburbs of South Brisbane, West End, Highgate Hill, Dutton Park & Fairfield

We are most grateful to Parishioners for your generous response to our Appeal last weekend. To date we have received \$1800 with further donations coming in. If you still wish to contribute, envelopes are available at each church.

Donations can also be made by internet transfer into our Conference Bank A/c 100 026 566 BSB 064-786. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

We would greatly value your continued prayerful support for our Conference members and our Companions.



To the special women He has placed in our lives, our mothers, aunts, grandmothers, neighbours, friends, teachers, and all women in our community.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYERS

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tender-hearted love.

I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears.

And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

- Author Unknown

LAUDATO SI' WEEK 16 - 24 May 2023 Hope for the Earth - Hope for Humanity

Laudato Si' Week 2023 in Australia will be celebrated from 16-24 May and marks the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical Laudato Si' on caring for Creation.

To read more about Laudator Si click this [link](#).

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 15 - 21 May 2023 The Change Makers

The theme for this year National Volunteer Week is the Change Makers.

We are very grateful and thankful for the valuable contribution of our Volunteers over the years who have helped to keep the wheels turning in our Churches within our Parishes.



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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FRANCISCAN & MARIAN PILGRIMAGE 2023
12TH TO 23RD SEPTEMBER 2023



A spiritual journey of the St. Mary's, parish accompanied by Fr. Joshy Parappully (Parish Priest)

9-Day Europe Tour
Lisbon / Santarem / Fatima Burgos / Nevers / Lourdes Paris

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Itinerary: Franciscan and Marian Pilgrimage

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

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.

When was the last time you reviewed your Will?

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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)

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

ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

- 1st and 3rd Monday: 9am -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.

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 brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding

