

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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY Year A - 28th May 2023

Good News Reflection: Renewal in our lives, the Church and the world

"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." This is our prayer in the responsorial Psalm for Pentecost. It's the reason the Church can exist and continues to exist. We live in the age of the Holy Spirit.

Without the power and presence of the Spirit of Christ, Christianity would have been unable to change the world and sustain itself during two millennia of persecutions, scandals, and obstacles.

Without the Spirit of Christ, we Christians would be unable to be Christ in today's world. We'd be unable to do what the Father asks of us.

Pentecost Sunday re-lives the birthday of the Church, and as it does, it also re-lives our spiritual birthdays, i.e., our initiations as members of the Church. It's a community-wide celebration of the impact that our baptisms have had on our lives and it's a reaffirmation of the Sacrament of Confirmation when the bishop confirmed that we truly received the Holy Spirit during baptism.

Pentecost reminds us that through these sacraments

we received God's power and presence so that we can overcome sin, live in holiness, and change the world around us.

How does God "renew the face of the earth"? Through us! First, God the Father gave his Holy Spirit to Jesus the Son so that he could successfully fulfill his mission on earth. Jesus then gave his Holy Spirit to us, so that we can grow in holiness and to continue the work of renewal that he began.

If you feel inadequate for any holy task, you're correct: You are inadequate. But the Spirit of God who dwells in you is more than adequate. Proceed forward trusting in this partnership!

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Are you making a difference on the earth because of the Holy Spirit living in you and working through you? What is the Holy Spirit doing -- or wanting to do -- through you? Answer this first regarding your home life, then your job, then your parish, then your recreational activities, in that order of priority.

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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: - <u>www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au</u> - <u>www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au</u>

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading: Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 103(104):1,24,29-31,34

R: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R**/

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R**/

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord **R**/

Second reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Communion Antiphon: Acts 2: 4, 11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 29th: *Memorial (The Blessed Virgin Mary)* Of you are told glorious things, O city of God!

Tuesday 30th: *To the upright I will show the saving power of God.*

Wednesday 31st: *Feast (The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)* Among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Thursday 1st: *Memorial (St Justin)* By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

Friday 2nd: *The Lord takes delight in his people.*

Saturday 3rd: *Memorial (Sts Charles Lwanga & his companions)* The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

1st reading: Exodus 34:4-6,8-9

2nd reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel: John 3:16-18

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 loved 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.

ST ITA'S CHURCH FAMILY MASS Saturday, 27 May - 5pm

Please join us to our monthly family mass this Saturday. This mass will be presented by the year 2 students of St Ita's Primary School.



Save the date for the next month family mass, Saturday 22 July.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2023

27 MAY TO 3 JUNE

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2023 is Be a Voice for Generations.

Prayer for Reconciliation

God of all creation, as we journey together in this Great Southern Land, we pray for healing, forgiveness and unity, creating a path of good will, with justice and compassion. Jesus, through the power of your love, you have given us the courage, wisdom and strength to share our gifts and talents in humility. In peace and understanding we reconcile with each other. Creator Spirit, we come together in prayer and thanksgiving for the many blessings we have received. Allow your Spirit to wash over us and give us strength to walk together as one.

> This Reconciliation Church prayer was written by a small group of Aboriginal Elder women and Reconciliation Church staff members in 2014

Visit <u>https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/</u> for more information about National Reconciliation Week.

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Seven: Embedding Synodal Governance

We have begun the long and complex process of moving towards a synodal mode of governance in the Church, but the process is far from complete; and there is much to be done to embed synodal governance more securely at every level in the Archdiocese... Synodality implies inclusion, and therefore we will have to keep asking how we might at every level include women in the decisionmaking processes of the Archdiocese. So too synodality requires transparency and accountability, and we will have to keep asking what we need to do make the Archdiocese more transparent and accountable.



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION SUNDAY, 11 JUNE 2023 The Feast of Corpus Christi



Dutton Park and St Mary's Parishes are invited to join with over 4,000 other Catholics walking in a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Brisbane City commencing and ending at St Stephen's Cathedral.

The Corpus Christi Procession will feature prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

Please join us - meet at 1.00 pm at St Mary's car park – parking available.

A Prayer Petition Book is available in each Church. Please write your petitions in this book and it will be presented at the Cathedral on 11 June.

The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition: Photographic display of over 150 Eucharistic miracles will be open over the weekend at the Francis Rush Centre next to the Cathedral: Saturday, 10 June: 11am - 5.30pm and Sunday, 11 June: 9am - 5pm

Vigil Night Adoration: (St Stephen's Chapel, Cathedral precinct) Saturday, 10 June 7pm to Sunday, 11 June, 8 am.



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 noon

If you are interested to join this activity, please complete this <u>registration form</u> and return to the Parish Office on <u>southbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au</u>.

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

St Mary's Car wash fundraising THANK YOU!

Thank you for your kindness and generosity in supporting St Mary's car wash fundraising. A big thank you to our volunteers who have donated their time and energy. The funds raised will go toward St Mary's restoration fund.





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