



**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.*

## 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A - 16th July 2023

### Good News Reflection: The seed sown on rich soil

This Sunday's readings are about sowing seeds. The important thing to remember about seed sowing is that the effort is worthless if the seeds are not changed by being cast to the ground. Each seed must give up its former self, dying in the dirt while new life stirs within it. Only then can it send out a tender, first root, which will multiply and grow stronger and deeper to support upward growth. Even so, it has to be properly nourished to survive.

If all this takes place, the end result is a plant that looks nothing like the seed, which as it grows develops the ever-more important mission of benefiting the wider world of Nature beyond itself.

As we listen to Jesus explain the parable, we say yes, we want to be seeds that become fruitful lives. But desiring it does not automatically transform us. What is it that makes the soil of our lives rich and growth-producing?

The reading from Isaiah tells us that it is God him-

self who is the rich soil -- God and his Word. Saint Paul reminds us in the second reading that suffering is part of creation (seeds must fall in the dirt and die in order to produce a fruitful life). Redemption grows from suffering and death.

We will never feel truly fulfilled until we've surrendered to the soil and have allowed God to nourish our growth.

### Questions for Personal Reflection:

What are you doing that seems like a good idea but is wearing you out? What part of it is not God's idea for you? What can you do to slow down, simplify, make a change, and become more aware of the strength of Jesus?

### Pray:

Help me, Lord, to discern the soil in which You want me to sow Your Word. Make me recognize You wherever You are, and in the humblest of my brothers and sisters. Help me to marvel whenever I watch Your works in miracles and in everyday deeds. Amen.

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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](http://www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au)  
 - [www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au](http://www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au)
- FB:** - [www.facebook.com/stmaryssouthbrisbane/](https://www.facebook.com/stmaryssouthbrisbane/)  
 - [www.fb.me/duttonparkwestendcatholicparish](https://www.fb.me/duttonparkwestendcatholicparish)

### PARISH ADMINISTRATION

- Parish Priest:** Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap  
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- Pastoral Coordinator:** Sr. Salvation Bunao SFI
- Parish Secretary:** Niken Westerman
- Finance Officer:** Kevin Bhasin
- Parish Youth:** [southbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:southbrisbane@bne.catholic.net.au)
- Safeguarding Officers:**
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  - St Francis of Assisi: Liam Cunnane (0477 306 166)
  - St Ita's Church: Liam O'Rourke (0411 033 321)
  - OLPS Church: Paul Hogan (0418 742 760)
- Office:** 47 Dornoch Tce, West End, Q 4101  
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### ST ITAS'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

- 247 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park, Q 4102  
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## READINGS AT MASS

**First reading:**  
Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

**Responsorial Psalm:**  
Psalm 64(65):10-14

**R: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.**

You care for the earth, give it water,  
you fill it with riches.  
Your river in heaven brims over  
to provide its grain. **R/**

And thus you provide for the earth;  
you drench its furrows;  
you level it, soften it with showers;  
you bless its growth. **R/**

You crown the year with your goodness.  
Abundance flows in your steps,  
in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. **R/**

The hills are girded with joy,  
the meadows covered with flocks,  
the valleys are decked with wheat.  
They shout for joy, yes, they sing. **R/**

**Second reading:**  
Romans 8:18-23

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

**Gospel Acclamation:**  
1S3:9, Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of  
the kingdom.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:**  
Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundred-fold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

**Communion Antiphon:**  
Cf. Ps 83: 4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.  
Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

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### THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

**Monday 17th:**

*Our help is in the name of the Lord.*

**Tuesday 18th:**

*Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.*

**Wednesday 19th:**

*The Lord is kind and merciful.*

**Thursday 20th:**

*The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.*

**Friday 21st:**

*I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.*

**Saturday 22nd: Feast (St Mary Magdalene)**

*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**1st reading:** Wisdom 12:13,16-19

**2nd reading:** Romans 8:26-27

**Gospel:** Matthew 13:24-30

### HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

If you know anyone who are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion at their home, please contact the Parish Office (details at the back page).

### 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/Church Coordinator.

### PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE (MAY- OCTOBER)

Invite the Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home between May to October and commit to pray the Rosary everyday while it is at your home.



Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements.

## SCAM MESSAGES

Please be aware of a scam text message or WhatsApp that is going around at the moment, appeared to be from Fr Joshy, asking for assistant.

If you received this message from either via text message, whatsapp or email, please delete them immediately, do not reply or click anything from the message.

## ST MARY'S CHURCH RESTORATION 2023 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

We are selling raffle tickets for St Mary's Church Restoration fundraising.  
\$2 per ticket or \$40 per ticket book.



Prizes		Valued at
1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	Hisense 55" A7HAU 4K UHD LED Smart Television +JBL Bluetooth HDMI Soundbar	\$880
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	Nintendo Switch Neon Console + Mario Kart 8 Deluxe	\$538
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	Coles Group & Myer Gift Card	\$400
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize	EUFY Robovac 25C	\$397
5 <sup>th</sup> Prize	Ninja Foodi Dual Zone Air Fryer	\$299
6 <sup>th</sup> Prize	Caltex Fuel Voucher	\$200

Tickets available at St Mary's Church or contact Douglas on 0412 193 462.

Tickets will be drawn on Sunday, 13 August at St Mary's Church after 9am Mass (St Mary's Feast Day).



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Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND



This month Aid to the Church in Need is raising money to build a parish house in Sierra Leone.

The parishioners of the parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour have been trying to help their priest who is living in a house that is decaying due to heavy rainfall and salt-laden sea air but they themselves are poor and have little to give.

ACN has promised to help but we need your help to make this possible.

To learn more and to make an offering visit [www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyprojector](http://www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyprojector) or scan the QR code.

## THE CARMELITE SISTERS

invite you to celebrate with them

## Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

### SUNDAY 16 JULY

### 10.30 am Mass



Stay for a picnic lunch - tea, sandwiches, cake available

Piety stall, Sisters' craft works on sale

**2.00 pm** Evening Prayer - Benediction - Scapular enrolments

Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St Ormiston 4160  
[www.carmeliteormiston.com](http://www.carmeliteormiston.com)

## ST FRANCIS TABLE MINISTRY MORNING TEA FOR GRANDPARENTS

St Francis Table Ministry for the Elderly invites all grandparents and elderly to a special morning tea and lunch to celebrate World Day for Grandparents.

Monday, 17 July 2023

9.00am - 01.00pm

St Francis' Hall, West End

Cost: free

RSVP: Parish Office - 3844 2744



## SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

**Enrolment is closing soon!**

This sacramental program is for children who are currently in Year 4 or older and have received the sacrament of Confirmation.

If you wish to enrol your child in this program to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion in 2023, please complete the enrolment forms and **return to the Parish Office by Monday, 24th July 2023.**

**Information Evening  
Wednesday, 26th July 2023 - 6pm  
St Ita's Church Dutton Park**

Please download the forms from our websites:

[www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au](http://www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au)

or

[www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au](http://www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au)



## Celebrating 150 years of Weddings at The Cathedral of St Stephen

In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen, couples who have been married at St Stephen's are invited to commemorate their years of marriage.

On Saturday, 30th September 2023, the Archbishop will celebrate Mass at 11:30am, followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

There will be a particular focus on Golden Wedding Anniversaries, however anyone married at the Cathedral or Chapel, is invited to attend.

If you have photos or stories to share, please contact David Todd.

email: [todd@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:todd@bne.catholic.net.au)  
telephone: 3324 3030  
by 1st September 2023

To register to attend the Mass and for catering purposes please RSVP by Friday 22nd September 2023  
[cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au)  
3324 3030

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Email: [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au)  
Ph: 07 3324 3030



## Save The Date

## Catholic Mission Ambassador Open Day 2023

We invite you to come along and find out more about the work of Catholic Mission and how you can engage in mission through our ambassador training.

Date: Sat - 12th Aug 2023  
Time: 10.00 AM to 12.00 PM

St James Catholic Parish, Coorparoo  
Parish Hall: 92 Kirkland Ave, Coorparoo

More details will be provided by email.  
RSVP: Mon 31st Jul 2023

2023  
Catholic Mission  
Church Appeal  
Hearts on Fire  
FEET ON THE MOVE

Fr. Joshy Parappully  
Ph: (07) 3844 2744



**FRANCISCAN & MARIAN PILGRIMAGE 2023**  
26th Oct - 4th Nov 2023

**Franciscan and Marian Pilgrimage 2023**

Group Director: Fr. Joshy Parappully  
Destinations: Portugal, Spain and France  
Tour Dates: 26 Oct 2023 – 4 Nov 2023  
Price Per Adult: from A\$6990 (Double Occupancy Room)

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

**Queensland Irish Choir**  
presents  
**A Celtic Winter**  
An afternoon filled with Songs and Music

Guest Performers  
Chermside Trio Bellissimo  
Camp Hill Timli Trio

Musical Director: David O'Keefe  
Accompanist: Tim LI

**CHERMSIDE**  
2.00 pm Sunday 23 July 2023  
Chermside-Kedron Community Church  
Cnr Gympie and Rode Roads  
Doors Open 1.30 pm

**CAMP HILL**  
2.00 pm Sunday 30 July 2023  
St Thomas Catholic Primary School Hall  
10 Stephen Street  
Doors Open 1.30 pm

Tickets: \$20 \$10 tr15yo  
<https://www.qldirishchoir.org.au/events/>



Enquiries 0493 455 487

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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 complete the form below and return to the Parish Office.

- [St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form](#)
- [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](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding)

