



Embracing the communities of:  
 St Mary's South Brisbane,  
 St Francis of Assisi West End,  
 St Ita's Dutton Park and  
 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.*

## 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A - 13th August 2023

### Good News Reflection How to achieve a well-balanced faith

In the Gospel reading for this Sunday, Jesus finishes with the miracle of multiplying a few loaves and fish to feed thousands of people, and then he goes off by himself to pray.

When you host a large dinner party or complete a big project or overcome difficult obstacles, do you give yourself time to recuperate and let God minister to you?

After spending time alone with his Father, Jesus was so uplifted by the experience that he walked on water!

Jesus frequently spent time in prayer. He probably went off by himself to pray a lot more often than what is written in scripture. So why did Matthew mention it here? What was significant about this particular prayer time?

Through Matthew, God is showing us how to achieve a well-balanced faith.

We need periods of prayer-filled solitude to restore our energies and renew our vision of what God is inspiring us to do. We all have work to do for God in

our families, in our workplaces, in social gatherings, in our parishes and in every problem that arises. Giving of ourselves to others will always drain us; to thrive and grow in our usefulness to God, we must allow him to replenish us often.

Prayer helps us to prepare for whatever lies ahead, even when we don't know what we're walking into. What we gain from the Lord in our time alone with him is a gift designed for our benefit and for responding to the needs of others. It strengthens our faith, teaches us how to walk on water, and sends us to the next shore where people who need God's help are waiting. God wants to minister to them through us. Are you prayed up and ready?

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### ST MARY'S PARISH FEAST DAY The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Mass & Celebration  
 Sunday, 13 August – 9.00 am**

Please join us in celebrating our Feast Day after the mass. You are welcome to wear your traditional outfit. A plate to share is greatly appreciated.

### 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

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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)
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## READINGS AT MASS

**First reading:** 1 Kings 19:9,11-13

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 84(85):9-14

**R: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **R/**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **R/**

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **R/**

**Second reading:** Romans 9:1-5

What I want to say now is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Ps 129:5

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I hope in the Lord,  
I trust in his word.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink.

'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

**Communion Antiphon:** Ps 147: 12, 14

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,  
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

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### Questions for Personal Reflection:

How much time do you spend in quiet aloneness with the Lord? Is it enough to restore the inner peace that comes from staying in touch with God? Or do you feel drained and unprepared to continue?

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### THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

**Monday 14th: Memorial (St Maximilian Mary Kolbe)**  
*Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.*

**Tuesday 15th: Solemnity (The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)**  
*The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold*

**Wednesday 16th:**  
*Blessed be God who filled my soul with life!*

**Thursday 17th:**  
*Alleluia!*

**Friday 18th:**  
*His love is everlasting!*

**Saturday 19th:**  
*You are my inheritance, O Lord.*

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

*20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**1st reading:** Isaiah 56:1,6-7

**2nd reading:** Romans 11:13-15,29-32

**Gospel:** Matthew 15:21-28

### 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.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

We extend our sincere condolences to the family of

### CAROL CREW Aged 92

Carol was a long time parishioner and organist at St Francis of Assisi Church. She would personally choose the hymns and rehearse every Saturday afternoon over many years accompanied by the late Joan Martin who led in the singing. She generously supported the 1st Sunday morning teas taking pleasure in providing a quantity of chocolate biscuits which were well received. May she rest in peace.

A funeral service to celebrate her life will be held on Thursday, 17 August at 10am in St Francis of Assisi Church.

*Eternal rest, grant unto her O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon her, amen.*



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COMMITMENT MASS

We welcomed 38 candidates into our sacramental program in preparation to receive their First Holy Communion with commitment Mass last Saturday.

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



## RCIA 2023 (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

RCIA is a group of adults who explore aspects of the Catholic Faith together in a journey of faith, accompanied by the support of a parish community.



During the journey you meet with others to share, reflect, pray and learn more about the Catholic faith. There are ceremonies or 'rites' at each stage to signify the steps along the way.

Sessions for RCIA begin each year in September, meeting once a week and continues through the year until the Easter Vigil.

Please contact the Parish Office on 3844 2744 or email [stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au) to enrol or to get more information. Cost free!



## INFORMATION SESSION ON MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS

There will be an information session on marriage annulments in the Catholic Church, given by staff of the Regional Tribunal for Queensland.

What is an annulment? Who needs one? What's involved? FAQ's answered and the chance to have your own questions answered.

When: Tuesday 22 August 2023 - 7:45pm

Where: Mary Immaculate Hall,  
616 Ipswich Rd, Annerley  
(parking adjacent)

Please email [tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au) or call 3324 3033 for more information.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Do you have the time, heart and passion for people and community?



## NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK AUGUST 6 - 13, 2023

National Vocation Awareness Week is a crucial opportunity to promote the importance of vocations and discernment among our parishioners, allowing people to explore their calling, and encouraging their next step in following the call of God on their life. How will you respond to God's call this week? How will you encourage others in their call?

*"Each one of us called - whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration; in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now."*

Learn more about vocation at [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com)

## CENTACARE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND PASTORAL MINISTRIES

Your gift to Centacare provides care to families in distress, to victims of domestic violence, to those suffering mental illness, to those in prison, and to hospital chaplaincy. Much of this work is hidden, but these ministries are some of the most important outreaches of the Church to people in real need.



20 August 2023

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## ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 19 - 20 August

Next weekend, our parish is delighted to support the Annual Catholic Campaign. It is the one time a year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and the local community.

Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish. The Campaign supports training future priests, caring for our elderly and retired priests, helping local families in dire need access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our community.

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



In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen  
Archbishop Mark Coleridge  
invites couples together with family and friends

## Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

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



Other couples married at the Cathedral or Chapel, are also invited to attend with family and friends to celebrate 150 years of weddings at the Cathedral.

If you have photos or stories to share of your wedding at the Cathedral, please contact David Todd.  
email: toddd@bnc.catholic.net.au  
telephone: 3324 3030  
by 1st September 2023

To register to attend the Mass and for catering purposes please  
RSVP: Friday 22nd September 2023  
cathedral@bnc.catholic.net.au  
3324 3030

## 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 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)

