



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.

2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME 14 January 2024 - Year B

Good News Reflection : A Gift for Jesus

Like Jesus did to Andrew, who became one of his first disciples, in this Sunday's Gospel passage, he says to you and to each of us: "What are you looking for?" When you pray, and when you look at a crucifix, or when you see a picture of Jesus, what exactly are you looking for?

Jesus says: "Come and see!" Come and see what? His love? His healing power? His supernatural ability to answer our prayers? Whatever we're looking for, the reason we're seeking it is because we don't yet have it.

Jesus is the fulfillment of every promise by God the Father. Jesus is the fullness of love, the provider of mercy, the divine healer, the perfect mediator of all our prayers and concerns and everything else we truly need. So, why does it feel like something is still missing? Why do our lives feel incomplete? Why do our prayers seem unanswered?

The answer is revealed in what happened after Andrew began to follow Jesus. We read about it in Samuel's response to God's invitation. We proclaim it in the Responsorial Psalm: "Here am I, Lord; I come to

do your will."

Andrew, his brother Simon Peter, and the other disciples were privileged to witness first-hand the wondrous miracles of Jesus. They personally experienced God's love through the gentle eyes of Jesus, the tone of kindness in his voice, and the forgiveness that was visible in his smile.

Yet with all of this, they did not really find all that they were looking for (remember how easily Peter felt afraid or confused or uncertain) until they were on the giving end of it. They didn't discover the fullness of Jesus until Jesus was no longer present in the flesh and they accepted their calling to continue Christ's earthly ministry.

The same is true for us who have never seen Jesus' actual eyes or heard his actual voice. We find what we're seeking when we give it to others. Why? Because then we discover that we really had it all along! This is the miracle of "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

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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
(68 Victoria St, Fairfield)

- Sunday: 7am

CONFESSION

St Mary's:

Sat: 8.30am-9am | Sun: 4.15-4.45pm

St Ita's:

By appointment (contact parish office)

More information:

Websites: - www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au
- www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading: 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 39(40):2,4,7-10

R: Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. **R/**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. **R/**

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R/**

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. **R/**

Second reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute? Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

Gospel Acclamation: John 1:41. 17

Alleluia, alleluia!
We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.
Alleluia!

Gospel: John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' - which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' - meaning Rock.

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 22: 5

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 15th:

To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

Tuesday 16th:

I have found David, my servant.

Wednesday 17th: Memorial (St Anthony)

Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!

Thursday 18th:

In God I trust; I shall not fear.

Friday 19th:

Have mercy on me, God, have mercy.

Saturday 20th:

Let us see your face, Lord, and we shall be saved.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10

2nd reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

If you know anyone who is homebound and wishes 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.

ST FRANCIS' SPECIAL MORNING TEA Sunday, 21 January 2024

Please join us for Morning Tea to
THANK & FAREWELL
Fr Joshy & the Franciscan Friars
after 9 am Mass in the St Francis' Parish Hall.

A plate to share is appreciated.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE 2024 For children in year 5 or older ENROLMENT IS NOW OPEN!

If you would like to enrol your child to join our sacramental program, please complete [this enrolment forms](#) and return to the Parish Office by Monday, 5 February 2024.

Information Evening
Wednesday, 7 February 2024 - 6pm
St Ita's Church Dutton Park

You could also download the forms from our websites: www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au or www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

MEALS FOR RACHEL AND FLORIAN HEISE

The Heise family are parishioners at St Mary's. They have just welcomed a baby girl into their family. Following the birth Rachel has been readmitted to the hospital to undergo surgery and follow up treatment.

Your help with providing this family with a meal or two for the next few weeks would be greatly appreciated.

For further details and information, please click this link takethemameal.com/DMGH1307.

FOR SALE

Second-hand (some near new) Office Furniture and equipment for sale including:

- Personal lockers
- Trolleys
- Desks
- Antique piano
- Mobile drawer units
- Pool table
- Office chairs
- Visitor chairs
- Recliner chair
- Custom made joinery unit
- Filing cabinets 2 & 4 Drawer
- Safes
- Stationery cupboard
- Bookcases
- Shelving
- Pallet jack
- Key cabinets

Enquiries or to arrange inspection – please contact Dianne mobile 0411869017

Sale of the items support St Mary's Catholic Parish, South Brisbane.



FAREWELL AND THANK YOU TO THE CAPUCHIN FRIARS AND OUR PARISH PRIEST, FR JOSHY Sunday, 28 January 2024

All are invited on Sunday, 28 January to attend St Mary's 9am Mass and morning tea gathering afterwards to join in thanking and saying farewell to the Capuchin Friars and Parish Priest, Fr Joshy.



WHY IS THE NATIVITY STILL IN PLACE AT ST MARY'S?



In previous years', the Nativity would be placed back into storage after the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, however this year is an exception.

In 2023/2024, Catholics will be able to receive a Plenary Indulgence from 8 December 2023, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to 2 February 2024, the feast of the Presentation in the Temple of Our Lord Jesus Christ, by praying before a Nativity scene in a Franciscan church.

In 2023, on the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the faithful gathered at the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, Italy, to honour the beloved Italian saint and celebrate the 800th anniversary of the approval of the Rule of St. Francis (1223) and the creation of the Nativity scene in Greccio.

As part of the celebration of this Franciscan Centenary, the Conference of the Franciscan Family asked Pope Francis for the approval of this plenary indulgence.

The conference wrote: "In order to promote the spiritual renewal of the faithful and increase the life of grace, we ask that the faithful receive a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions from 8 December 2023, the solemnity of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to 2 February 2024, feast of the Presentation in the Temple of Our Lord Jesus Christ, by visiting the churches run by Franciscan families throughout the world and stopping in prayer in front of the Nativity scenes set up there."

What is a plenary indulgence?

A plenary indulgence is a grace granted by the Catholic Church through the merits of Jesus Christ, Mary, and all the saints to remove the temporal punishment due to sin. The indulgence cleanses a person of all temporal punishment due to sin. However, it must always be accompanied by a full detachment from sin.

Conditions to receive a plenary indulgence in all cases:

Sacramental confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Pope. Sacramental confession and receiving the Eucharist can happen up to about 20 days before or after the act performed to receive a plenary indulgence.

Source:

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/256087/catholics-can-receive-a-plenary-indulgence-by-praying-before-a-nativity-scene#:~:text=This%20year%2C%20Catholics%20will%20be%20able%20to%20receive,before%20a%20Nativity%20scene%20in%20a%20Franciscan%20church.>

Information Day For Cathedral Guides & Welcomers

Thursday
1st February 2024

9.30am -1:00pm
Hanly Room,
Francis Rush Centre.

Refreshments provided.

An information day for
anyone who would like to
find out more about
becoming a guide and/or
a welcomer at
The Cathedral of St Stephen



RSVP: 25 Jan 2024 ☎ 3324 3030 ✉ cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au



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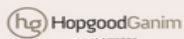
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PARISH ACTIVITIES 2023

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

