



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



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.

6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME 11 February 2024 - Year B

Hello everyone,

Some of you might have seen me in the last few days. My name is Ravi Kumar. Ravi, meaning sun and Kumar, meaning prince. I was born in Bhimana-palli, District of Nalgonda in the state of Telangana, a southern state in India.

My father, Francis is a farmer and my mother, Theresa, is a house wife. I am the eldest of three sons in the family. My two younger brothers are Balaswamy (meaning Child Jesus) and Arogyam (meaning Mother Mary of Good Health) in the Telengu language. I also have two nieces and two nephews.

I belong to Indian Province of Holy Spirit Fathers which known as OPUS SPIRITUS SANCTI (OSS). I was ordained as a priest on 18th May 2010 and have served the Church in various capacities such as Formator, Parish Priest and School Principal.

I enjoy cricket, basketball and watching TV.

I arrived in Australia on 27th August 2023. In the first couple of weeks I lived at Daisy Hill. From 15th September to 5th February, I have been at the Star of the Sea, Cleveland, as Priest in Residence. During this period I supported the Star of the Sea Parish and St Rita's Victoria Point Parish in different pastoral ministries.

I am looking forward to exercising my priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Thank you everyone for welcoming me to your community.

Peace and Blessing,
 Fr Ravi Kumar

ST MARY'S LUNAR NEW YEAR MASS Sunday, 11 February



You are invited to join in celebrating Lunar New Year on Sunday, 11 February at St Mary's 9 am and 5 pm Masses.

All are encouraged to wear traditional dress or The colour red.

Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea or supper following the Masses.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES 14 February 2024



St Mary's Church: 7 am
 St Francis of Assisi Church: 6 pm

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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- St Ita's Church: Liam O'Rourke (0411 033 321)
- OLPS Church: Paul Hogan (0418 742 760)

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First reading:

Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 31(32):1-2,5,11

R: I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.
O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. **R/**

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide.
I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.'
And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. **R/**

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just!
O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. **R/**

Second reading:

1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!
A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.'

The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

Communion Antiphon:

Cf. Ps 77: 29-30

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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Reflection Prayer:

My Lord, forgive me for the times I have sought my own glory. I repent and ask You to free me from my selfishness. Help me to give You each one of my actions so that You may sanctify them. Amen.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 12th:

Be kind to me, Lord, and I shall live.

Tuesday 13th:

Happy are those you teach, O Lord.

Wednesday 14th: Ash Wednesday

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Thursday 15th:

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Friday 16th:

A broken, humbled heart, O God, you will not spurn.

Saturday 17th:

Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may be faithful in your sight.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Sunday of Lent

1st reading: Genesis 9:8-15

2nd reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

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.

TWO MINUTES CATECHISM

What is Lent and why is it celebrated?

Lent is the liturgical season of "preparation for the celebration of Easter. For the Lenten liturgy disposes both catechumens and the faithful to celebrate the paschal mystery: catechumens, through the several stages of Christian initiation; the faithful, through reminders of their own baptism and through penitential practices" (General Instruction of the Roman Calendar).

In 2024, Lent begins on February 14 (Ash Wednesday) and ends on March 28 (Holy Thursday), as the Mass of the Lord's Supper begins. Easter Sunday is March 31.

What is the meaning behind Shrove Tuesday?

The day before Ash Wednesday is sometimes called "Shrove Tuesday" because this is when people would go to Confession to be "shriven," which means to be absolved from their sins.

More frequently, we call this day Mardi Gras (or "Fat Tuesday" in English). Since Lent is a penitential time, many people will feast on the eve of the fast. Also, traditionally people would not use fats in their house during Lent, meaning they would need to use up their fats before entering Lent.

What does Ash Wednesday signify?

On Ash Wednesday in 2010, Pope Benedict XVI taught,

And we can understand that the 40 days in preparation for Easter are a favorable time and a time of grace precisely from the appeal that the austere rite of the imposition of ashes addresses to us and which is expressed in the Liturgy in two formulas: "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel"; "Remember, man, you are dust and to dust you will return."

In the same address, he said,

With the imposition of ashes we renew our commitment to following Jesus, to letting ourselves be transformed by his Paschal Mystery, to overcoming evil and to doing good, in order to make our former self, linked to sin die and to give birth to our "new nature," transformed by God's grace.

Do you have to be Catholic to receive ashes?

The practice of receiving ashes on the head or forehead on Ash Wednesday, while the priest or minister says, "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return" or similar, is not found exclusively in the Catholic Church. Some non-Catholic Churches in the West celebrate it (e.g. Anglican/Episcopalian). However, the practice is foreign to the Eastern Churches, Catholic and Orthodox, who generally begin Lent with other practices recalling the need for repentance and forgiveness.

Since it is not a sacrament, the imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday is open to any person regardless of their faith. It should be done respecting Catholic practice and intention, however. It is thus quite common to see non-Catholics participate in this rite..

Where do ashes come from for Ash Wednesday?

The ashes are made from the palms that were used on Palm Sunday the previous year, and usually brought by parishioners to the parish for this purpose.

Taken from <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days>

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE 2024

Commitment Mass

Saturday, 10 February - 5pm
St Ita's Church

Please keep this year candidates and their family in your prayers.

It is not too late if you would like to enrol your child to this sacramental program.

Please download and complete the enrolment forms from our websites: www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au or www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

LENTEN REFLECTION Every Thursday - 6pm St Francis' meeting room Commencing 15 February

This year Lenten topic is "Living in Harmony" Lenten Program B. Harmony is a discipline. It has to be won, held, remade, revalued. At its best, it is built around the joyful play of difference, a mutual love and respect, and a treasuring of other voices and ways. It builds for a trust and consensus.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



St Mary's is seeking one (1) additional Adorer for the Adoration roster from 4.30 am to 5.30 am on Sundays.

St Mary's Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration period commences following the 8.00 am Mass on Saturdays until 8.30 am Mass on Sundays.

You are encouraged to become a Dedicated Adorer – having a regular hour(s) on roster, or as a Casual Adorer – helping to fill vacancies or just drop in to spend time with Jesus. All are vital for the continuation of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.

If you wish to be included in the roster please contact Dianne – mobile 0411 869 017.

LAUDATO SI

During this year's lent season we will focus on the theme "Listen to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor" (LS 49). Catholics are invited to live this special liturgical season by repenting of their ecological sins, reading and reflecting on the content of the Laudato Si lent calendar, and reconciling their relationship with Earth through concrete actions according to the regional campaigns.

A curated blend of calendar touchstones, Gospel reflections, and regional calls to action, the Lent Calendar links the contemplative spirit of the Lent Season with the need for ecological conversion through repentance, reflection, and reconciliation.

Download the calendar and begin your lent journey at <https://laudatosilent.org/>.

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

We believe in the sanctity of life from the moment of conception. That's why 40 Days for Life in Brisbane has been praying to end abortion through each Lent for the past 15 years. We'd love for you to join us!

This year we start on Ash Wednesday, 14 February 2024 and continue until Palm Sunday, 24 March 2024. We will again have our physical prayer vigil at 20 Abbotsford Rd Bowen Hills (outside Bowen Hills train station).

For more details, please visit the website or email 40daysbrisbane@gmail.com.

LENT 2024

**ALL NEW PARISH MISSION
EVENT PRESENTED BY
THE CATHOLIC GUY**

St John the Baptist Catholic church
131 South Pine Rd, Enoggera QLD

4 - 7 MARCH 2024



**FREE
ADMISSION**



**BE CHANGED... BE RENEWED
...BE INSPIRED**

This event is open to all, and we encourage you to invite friends and family to experience this uplifting spiritual journey together.

For more information, please contact the parish office or visit our [website](#). Let us embrace this time of grace and growth together during Lent 2024.

**Queensland Irish Choir
St Patrick's Day
Concert**

**2.00pm Sunday 10 March 2024
Doors Open 1.30 pm**

**Chermside-Kedron Community Church
(Cnr Gympie and Rode Roads)**

**Enjoy an afternoon of
Irish Music,
Song and Dance**

**Musical Director: David O'Keeffe
Accompanist: Tim Li**

**Guest Performers
QIA Pipe Band
QIA Dancers**

**Tickets
<https://www.trybooking.com/COTQP>
\$25 Adults \$10 under 15 years
At the Door – if not previously sold out**

**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

