

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 17th March 2024 - Year B

"Unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies it remains only a single grain but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.'

The language of death and dying is not everyone's favourite topic to explore. Some of us fear death and others of us embrace it.

What would it look like to keep a healthy sense of death in mind not, so we'd be weighed down by our mortality, but that we'd be motived by our vitality?

I think it begins with an acceptance that we're going to die. One day, I will die.

This might be the hardest hurdle to overcome, and it's often made difficult by the fact that we fear something related to death, but it's the first step towards new life.

St Ignatius' Suscipe prayer is a wonderful way we can 'die to self' and offer what we've been given back to God.

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding,

and my entire will, All I have and call my own. You have given all to me. To you, Lord, I return it. Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me.

Lent is nearly over but we can still make some positive changes in our life. May we take these words of our Gospel with humility that as we die to self, we may fine the courage to give our life back to God and truly yield a rich harvest.

Peace and blessing, Fr William

Palm Fronds or Olive Branches Needed For Palm Sunday on 24 March



If you have any palm or olive branches that you would be willing to donate, please see your Church Coordinator or ring the Parish Of-

We would like to collect the branches by Saturday 23 March.

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

By appointment (contact parish office)

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

FB: - www.facebook.com/stmaryssouthbrisbane/ www.fb.me/duttonparkwestendcatholicparish

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READINGS AT MASS

First reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel (and the House of Judah), but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive - it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest - it is the Lord who speaks - since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 50(51):3-4,12-15

R: Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. **R/**

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R**/

Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you. **R/**

Second reading:

Hebrews 5:7-9

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

Gospel Acclamation:

John 12:26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel:

John 12:20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly,

unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies,

it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me,

wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him.

Now my soul is troubled.

What shall I say:

Father, save me from this hour?

But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name!'

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.

'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

Communion Antiphon:

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 18th: Solemnity (St Patrick)

Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News.

Tuesday 19th: Solemnity (St Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

The son of David will live for ever.

Wednesday 20th:

Glory and praise to you for ever!

Thursday 21st:

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Friday 22nd:

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice.

Saturday 23rd:

The Lord will guard us, like a shepherd guarding his flock.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Palm Sunday

1st reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
2nd reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 15:1-39

ST MARY'S PASSION PLAY Good Friday 29 March - 2.30pm

We are inviting all the children to participate in this year's Passion Play.

Rehearsal dates:

Sunday, 17 March after 9am Mass Sunday, 24 March after 9am Mass

Please see Sr Salvacion after mass if your child is inter-



LENTEN REFLECTION

Every Thursday during Lent - 6pm St Francis' meeting room All welcome!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent - 7pm St Mary's Church All welcome!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED St Francis Table Ministry

Volunteers with vehicle and capable of heavy lifting are needed to help with the collection of food supplies from Queensland Foodbank once a week.

Please contact the Parish Office for details.

2024 EASTER TRIDUUM MASS TIMES

Second Rite: Tue, 26th March

• St Mary's Church - 7pm

Holy Thursday: 28th March

- St Mary's Church 7pm
- St Francis of Assisi Church 7pm

Good Friday: 29th March

- ♦ Stations of the Cross
 - OLPS Church 7am
- St Mary's Church 10am
- St Francis of Assisi Church 10am
- Emmanuel Community, Mt Cootha 10am
 - St Mary's Church 2:30pm (Children's Passion Play)
- Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
 - St Mary's Church 3pm
 - St Francis of Assisi Church 3pm
 - OLPS Church 3pm

Holy Saturday: 30th March

- St Ita's Church 5pm
- St Mary's Church 7pm

Easter Sunday: 31st March

- OLPS, Fairfield 7am
- St Francis of Assisi Church 9am
 - St Mary's Church 9am
- Emmanuel Community, South Brisbane 9am

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2024 The Sacrament of First Penance

Last Saturday the children in our Parishes and their parents attended a sacramental program retreat, led by Sr Salvacion, to review their lessons and rehearse for their First Penance on Wednesday, 13 March. Fr William, Fr Ravi and the Missionaries of Charity Sisters contributed to the session.



We also had the opportunity to celebrate Fr Ravi's birthday and so a cake was cut for him and all present who were born in March.

Please keep these children and their family in your prayers.

LAUDATO SI Lent calendar - Week 5

"The human person grows more, matures more and is sanctified more to the extent that he or she enters into relationships, going out from themselves to live in communion with God, with others and with all creatures." (Laudato Si' 240)

Reflect:

What are the things that this Lent season is inviting you to die to? How is your commitment to a deeper ecological conversion helping you enter into healthier relationships with others, with the Earth, with yourself, and with the Creator?

Reconcile:

Reconciliation with Creation calls for bold action to face the ecological challenges of our time. Please find the regional call to action at https:// laudatosilent.org/asia-pacific/ and start giving concrete steps into making peace with the Creator and the gift of Creation.

Caritas Fourth Sunday of Lent PROJECT 16 & 17 March



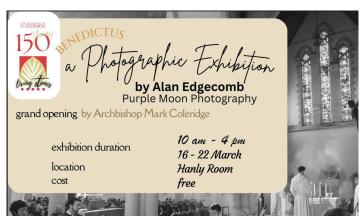
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Please donate to Project Compassion.

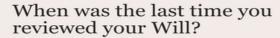
Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.



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PARISH ACTIVITIES 2024

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