

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.

PALM SUNDAY 24th March 2024 - Year B

Sacred Palm Sunday is a celebration that marks the beginning of the Holy week leading to Easter Sunday. It commemorates Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem as Savior And king.

As Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem, a large crowd gathered and laid palm branches and their cloaks across the road, giving Jesus a royal treatment as a sign of Honor. The hundreds of people shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

It is a special moment, where we embark on a journey that takes us from the exultant shouts of 'Hosanna" to the hunting darkness of the Lord's passion.

As we prepare for the holy week, let us try to understand God's revelation to us all. This holy week invites us to look deeper into our souls. Where we can find the courage and strength to face Jesus and take a little risk to encounter his suffering.

In Gethsemane, Christ's vulnerability reveals the triumph of humility as he carries the burden of humanity's sins. Despite being betrayed by Judas

and denied by Peter, Jesus silently faces unjust trails, embodying the strength that comes from surrendering to God's will.

The path of Calvary, marked by the stations of the cross, showcases Jesus' profound love and sacrifice. As he is stripped, beaten, and crowned with thorns, he bears the weight of our sins. Simon of Cyrene serves as a reminder to help bear one another's crosses.

As we ponder upon the significance Palm Sunday, let us take to heart the teachings of humility, surrender, and sacrificial love that it imparts. Though triumphant, Jesus' entry into Jerusalem was not a display of earthly power but a declaration of a different kind of kingdom-one based on love, humility, and selflessness. It is a time to reflect on our own lives and how we can show that same love, humility, and selflessness to God and to those around us.

Peace and Blessing, Fr William

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

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First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

R: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' **R**/

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet I can count every one of my bones. **R**/

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! **R/**

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons. **R**/

Second reading: Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation: Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Communion Antiphon: Mt 26: 42

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

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Reflection Prayer:

Lord, help me welcome you into every corner of my life with enthusiasm and surrender to your holy will in confident trust. Amen.

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THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses

Monday 25th: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Tuesday 26th: *I will sing of your salvation.*

Wednesday 27th: Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Thursday 28th: Holy Thursday Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

Friday 29th: Good Friday Father, I put my life in your hands.

Saturday 30th: Holy Saturday Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Easter Sunday

1st reading: Acts 10:34,37-43

2nd reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

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.

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

THANK YOU

St Francis' Table Ministry fund raising at the Election Day was a big success.

Thank you to all who have stopped by and supported this fundraiser. A big thank you to our volunteers who have donated their time and energy, baked cakes, donated drinks, sausages, handmade souvenirs, made labels, set-up, packed-up and cleanedup. Many hands make light work! Sr Salvacion is very grateful for all of your help.

St Francis' Table Ministry supports the Elderly and vulnerable in our community. The funds raised will be use to support this ministry.



HOLY LAND COLLECTION - GOOD FRIDAY 29th March 2024

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, March 29th. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing. Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world.

In 2023 Australian Catholics were once again extremely generous and we were able to send to the Holy Land nearly \$1.4 million [\$1.4 million (2022), \$1,126,098 (2021), \$406,023 (2020) and \$1.3 million (2019)]. The reality for the Holy Land mission is that they will continue to face challenges financial and spiritual and so we again ask Catholics around the world again to be as generous as possible, with their financial support as well as the spiritual support.

Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday. Thank you.

LAUDATO SI Lent calendar - Week 6

"The Creator does not abandon us; he never forsakes his loving plan or repents of having created us." (Laudato Si' 13)

Reflect:

It is difficult to keep our faith the more we see the urgency of the climate crisis and its horrific consequences. How is the Creator Spirit reminding you today that the Creator does not abandon you nor the Earth? As we enter into the Holy Week, keep in mind that the sufferings of Jesus Christ are not only for us but for the whole cosmos.

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.

AUSTRALIA

Palm Sunday 23 & 24 March



As Project Compassion 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your incredibly generous support throughout Lent.

This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, *for all future generations*.



Please donate to Project Compassion

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u> or by calling 1800 024 413.



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