

### 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.

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th July 2024 - Year B

In Mark 6:1-6, we witness Jesus returning to Nazareth, the place where he grew up. As was his custom, he begins teaching in the synagogue. The people are astonished by his wisdom and the miraculous works they had heard he performed elsewhere. However, their initial amazement quickly gives way to skepticism and doubt.

The people of Nazareth struggle to reconcile the Jesus they knew as the carpenter's son with the profound teacher and healer standing before them. They question his authority and are offended by his teachings. Jesus responds by acknowledging the common proverb that "a prophet is not without Honour except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home."

This passage challenges us to reflect on several important themes:

- 1. Familiarity and Perception: Nazarene's familiarity with Jesus blinded them to his true identity and mission. They could not see beyond the outward appearance of the carpenter's son to recognize the divine wisdom and power in Jesus. This reminds us to avoid judging others based solely on superficial knowledge or preconceived notions.
- 2. Faith and Openness: Jesus marvels at their lack of faith, which limits the miracles he can perform among them. Their skepticism hindered their ability to receive the blessings and healings Jesus desired to bring to them. It prompts us to examine our own faith and openness to God's work in our

lives. Are we willing to believe and trust in God's power, even when it challenges our understanding or expectations?

- 3. Response to Rejection: Despite facing rejection in Nazareth, Jesus continues his mission elsewhere, demonstrating resilience and unwavering commitment to God's will. This teaches us the importance of perseverance in the face of opposition or disbelief. It encourages us not to be discouraged by rejection but to continue boldly proclaiming God's truth and love.
- 4. Transformation through Faith: The people of Nazareth missed out on experiencing the full extent of Jesus' transformative power because of their unbelief. This challenges us to reflect on our own receptiveness to God's grace and healing in our lives. When we open our hearts in faith, God can work miracles of transformation and renewal.

The Gospel invites us to examine our attitudes towards familiarity, faith, and openness to God's transformative power. It encourages us to approach Jesus with humility and openness, ready to receive the blessings and healing he offers to those who believe. May we be inspired to deepen our faith, overcome doubt, and embrace God's love and truth in our lives.

Fr Ravi

#### **Welcome to New Parishioners**

We welcome any new Parishioners among us. Take the time to meet with our priests and get connected to the broader community.

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#### **READINGS AT MASS**

#### First reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

### Response: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. **R**/

Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of his mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he shows us his mercy. **R/** 

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain. R/

#### Second reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would

not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

#### **Communion Antiphon:**

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord; blessed is he who hopes in God.

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#### **THIS WEEK'S Psalm Responses**

Monday 8th: Ordinary Time 14
The Lord is kind and merciful.

**Tuesday 9th: Ordinary Time 14**The house of Israel trusts in the Lord.

**Wednesday 10th: Ordinary Time 14**Seek always the face of the Lord.

Thursday 11th: St Benedict, abbot Let us see your face, Lord, and we shall be saved.

Friday 12th: Ordinary Time 14
My mouth will declare your praise.

**Saturday 13th: Ordinary Time 14**The Lord is king: he is robed in majesty.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

1st reading: Amos 7:12-15
2nd reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

#### **MASS TIMES**

St Mary's (20 Merivale St, South Brisbane)

Mon-Fri: 7am | Sat: 8amSunday: 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

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue May - October** Invite a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home from May to October and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is at your home. To arrange for a visitation please contact the Parish Office.



### SACRAMENTAL PROGAM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND PENANCE

Starting this year, First Holy Communion and Penance will be combined. The Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Penance is a continuation of your child's sacramental journey.

Information and enrolment evening: Wednesday 10th July 6pm at St Ita's Church

Rite of enrolment and Commitment Mass on the 13th July 5pm at St Ita's Church

If you have a child ready for these Sacraments, please attend the information evening on Wednesday



#### **BIBLE REFLECTION GROUP**

Delve into the richness of God's Word. All are welcome to come and deepen your relationship with scripture and reflect with scripture in a new way.

6pm at St Francis Meeting Room



17th July & 31st July RSVP via the Parish Office

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Did you know that Our Lady of Perpetual Succour (or Our Lady of Perpetual Help) is centred around a thirteenth-century Byzantine-style painting of the Blessed Virgin Mary? The image depicts the Mother

of God holding the Divine Child, with Archangels Michael and Gabriel presenting Him with the instruments of His Passion. In the fifteenth century, this revered image was brought to Rome and publicly displayed in a church, drawing countless visitors who sought and obtained blessings through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin.



Last week, we celebrated the feast day of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, after whom our Fairfield Church is named. It was a beautiful occasion to honour both the feast and the community of Fairfield.

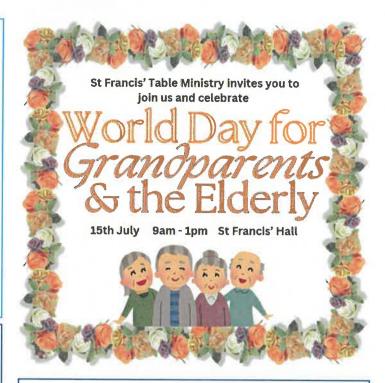


#### ST FRANCIS' TABLE

The St Francis Table Ministry has created an amazing space for the elderly and families in our community



to connect with one another and grow in friendship. Last Monday over 40 elderly came together to share a meal, dance and connect. We also celebrated Lita's 80th birthday alongside other July babies!



#### ST FRANCIS SOCIAL—BUSH DANCE

Many thanks to Veronika and her team who organises the St Francis Social. 120 young adults filled the hall last weekend, dressed up country style and danced the night away. It's beautiful to see wholesome events for young people to have fun and meet new people.









### PARISH UPCOMING LITURGICAL TRAINING IN JULY

**Ministry Training:** 

If you are currently serving or would like to serve in these areas, we are asking all attend the ministry training.

- Sacristan and Altar Servers
   Sat, 6 July 10am at St Francis Church
- Readers
  Sat, 6 July 10am at St Francis Hall
- Communion to the Sick:
   Sat, 13th July 10am at St Francis Church
- Music Ministry: Sat, 13th July - 10am at St Francis Hall

Please let the Parish Office know if you can attend any of these events.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** 

For those interested in becoming Catholic, we're inviting you to register your interest for the RCIA Program. Classes will begin soon. If you like to learn more about the process, contact the Parish Office. If you know of someone who might want to become Catholic enquire invite them too.

#### **Syodnality Speaker Series**

How can synodality help us to work together as a coresponsible church on mission? As pilgrims of hope, let's walk the journey of synodality together by exploring what the word "synodality" means, its history, and what it looks like to be a synodal church on mission.

To view session dates, times and locations and to register your attendance, scan





#### BAPTISMS

Saturdays - 10.00am (Booking is essential - contact Parish Office)

#### **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)

Sunday - 9.00am:

St Mary's Church

#### ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

1st and 3rd Monday: 9am - 1pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce, West End

# ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

THE WHY AND HOW OF ECUMENICAL AND INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

SATURDAY 13 JULY 9:30AM - 12PM

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- St Mary's Parish Direct Debit Request Form
- **Dutton Park Parish Direct Debit Request Form**

#### or 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: 100 023 601

Ref: Last Name and Collections

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#### 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/s afeguarding