ORDINARY TIME

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 19th January 2025



Time flies! It seems like only yesterday that we left behind the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - that was mid-November, we've now arrived in the New Year, but what's different? Obviously time progresses, but how have I changed? Is there something different within me?

Much like many other years, 2025 will bring it's own ups and downs, and I want to encourage us to hold fast to the virtues, the things that eternally endure. With the departure of Fr Ravi and the arrival of Fr John Madden (as supply), we've already seen a significant change within the community. As a one-priest Parish much of what happens at a large scale will need to include labourers for the vineyard. Maybe this year might be a time to change my level of involvement with the Parish? This week we will be training our readers for Mass, which will be a wonderful opportunity to get involved, but more than just the inner operations of our prayer and worship (which is fundamental) I pray and hope that we are moved internally to get out into the mission field and affect a positive and meaningful change within the community.

Indeed it's this kind of work that truly changes us. But in order to get there, we need to come back to the basics. We need to revisit our commitment to these virtues within our lives, namely, faith, hope, justice, prudence, temperance, fortitude and charity. Faith is considered the foundation of all the other virtues. Where might the Lord be calling you to step out in faith? Maybe a new job opportunity has arisen for you in another state? Perhaps the Lord is calling you to step out in faith and make contact with that person you often see at the gym, in the bus or at Church? Could this be a year where the Lord increases your prudence when it comes to decisions around finances, relationships and habits?

It's a new year, but we can fall into the trap of simply doing the same thing. As the adage goes, 'if we always do what we've always done, we'll always get what we've always got.'

This weekend, we hear of Jesus' first miracle in the Gospel of John changing water into wine. Wine, in the biblical context, has always been a symbol or foretaste of a heavenly banquet referring back to the prophet Isaiah (25: 6-8). Although the hour has not yet arrived for God's glory to be truly manifest, strangely in the glorification of the cross, Jesus still obeys the promptings of a caring mother, who herself paves the way for the works of the coming Messiah. Without Mary there's no Jesus. The point is, with Jesus' first miracle, a new reign began, and we saw it's penultimate checkpoint in the cross, Resurrection and Ascension, but now, we, who await the Second Coming of the Lord, have the privilege of joining in the journey of change towards the heavenly banquet. This change begins now, this year, on this day. May we come with hearts and minds open wide, ready to receive and enact, that this year, if the hour were to arrive upon us, the Lord will find us at work making the Kingdom of God present in this world.

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The community of St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our Churches stand.

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Welcome to new Parishoners

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



Embracing the communities of: St Mary's, South Brisbane, St Francis of Assisi, West End St Ita's, Dutton Park Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Fairfield

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Readings at Mass

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God;

no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding.

Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 95(96):1-3,7-10

R/ Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations..

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R/

Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. **R**/

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. R/

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the people in fairnes. R/

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit;

another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them.

All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel AcclamationCf. 2 Thess 2:14Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water', and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water. and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

Next Sunday Readings:

Neh 8:2-6, 8-10 , Ps 18:8-10, 15, 1 Cor 12:12-30, Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21



Upcoming Events



Communion Ministries : - 25th & 26th January after all Masses

Training Dates for ministries with the Parish

Sacristan & Altar Servers: - 1st & 2nd of February after all Masses

Welcome Back!

ST FRANCIS TABLE Dutton Park Parish Resumes back on: February 3rd 2025



Funeral Notice:

Funeral Service will be held at St Francis Church: 22 January 2025 at 10:00 am.

Relatives and friends invite you to join the wake in memory of **John** at St Francis Hall right after the service.



5 Jan 1936 -11 Jan 2025



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of John Campbell, a cherished volunteer at South Brisbane and Dutton Park Parishes. John's selfless dedication, kindness, and unwavering support touched countless lives, leaving a lasting legacy of service and community. His presence will be deeply missed, but his impact will be remembered forever.

Our thoughts are with his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

ST MARY'S PRAYER GROUP

We are blessed to resume our gatherings in faith and prayer on: *Tuesdays 6:30pm - 8:00 pm.* May this time of reflection and fellowship deepen our connection with

God and with one another. We look forward to growing in spirit together as a community.



Please reach out to the Parish Office if you know anyone who is homebound and would like to receive Communion at their home.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR You are invited to our Divine Mercy Group Prayer Sundays At Fairfield, 7:00 am. If you would like to be part of this devotion, join us at 6:45am Sunday mornings.



We're seeking volunteers for counting collections and music reporting. If you'd like to help, please contact the parish office. Your support is greatly appreciated! <u>Thank you</u>

VOLUNTEER

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to **Ross and Deb**, owners of **The Banger Shack Butcher in Wishart**, for their incredibly generous donation of 22 leg hams and 20kg of sausages.



Your kindness has made a significant difference in supporting our community, and we are deeply grateful for your contribution to *St Francis Table*

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Community News

A few notes:

At ECM, visitors have access to hot meals, showers, washing machines, clean clothing and a community that rallies behind them. Soon, ECM will move to the St. Mary's precinct. We invite you to 'come and see' for yourself what it means to serve this community.

To join ECM's team of missionaries and care for people like Josh, we'd love to hear from you: contact@ecm.org.au

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Mass Times

- St Mary's (20 Marivale St, South Brisbane)
 - Mon-Fri 7am | Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass) St Francis
 - Sunday: 9am
 - St Ita's (Pope St, Dutton Park)
 - Saturday(Vigil): 5pm
 - Sunday: 10:30am (Indonesian)
 - **Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**

(72 Victoria St Fairfield)

• Sunday: 7am

CONFESSIONS

St Mary's

Fri: 7:30-8am | Sat: 8:30am-9am Sun: 4:15pm-4:45pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES

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

- \cdot 1st Friday 7am: St Mary's Church
- \cdot 1st Saturday 5pm: St Ita's Church
- \cdot 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

Have you considered Planned Giving?

Many parishioners use Direct Debit for 'Planned Giving' to support the upkeep of the parish of Dutton Park & South Brisbane. We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to our planned giving program. Please Contact the Parish if you are interested.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Respect & Protect.



Zero tolerance. No excuse for abuse. St Mary's Catholic Parish and Dutton Park Catholic Parish have zero tolerance for abuse and are committed to safeguarding everyone involved in their activities, ministries and service.

The safety of children and adults at risk is paramount.

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www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding