LENT

1st Sunday of Lent 9th March 2025

Dutton Park and South Brisbane Parish Newsletter



Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

What a way to begin Lent! We Brisbanites must face what our northern brothers and sisters face most years; a tropical cyclone that threatens our person and our property. It is in moments like these – when we face nature's awesome power – that we are reminded about how much we are not in control. We are God's creatures living in God's creation and we realise that, for all our knowledge, technology, and progress we are relatively helpless in this world.

We are, in a way, like Moses and the Israelites in the first reading from Deuteronomy. We find ourselves in an unenviable position, at the mercy of someone else. The Israelites were at the mercy of the Egyptians, we are at the mercy of Alfred. They were – as many of us are now – calling on the Lord. They were asking for freedom from bondage and their place in the Promised Land. We are asking for God's protection – for ourselves, for our families, and for our community.

Lent is about preparing for Easter, when we remember the event that won our salvation. Every year, at this time, we go out into our own desert, like Our Lord did in the Gospel. Aided by the tried and tested spiritual practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we strip back our lives. We take a good, hard look in the metaphorical mirror. What do we see? Someone who seeks to know, love, and serve the Lord? Someone who lives their life with joy and hope because we know that Jesus died for our salvation? So, at the start of this season, we find ourselves helpless, calling on the Lord, looking forward to salvation. I wish you a holy Lent. And, be safe!

Yours in Christ,

Deacon Adam

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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

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.

Readings at Mass

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First Reading

Deuteronomy 26: 4-10

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the pannier from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me."

'You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 90(91):1-2, 10-15

R/Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!. **R/**

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. **R/**

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. **R/**

Second Reading

Romans 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word (that is the faith we proclaim) is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel Acclamation

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

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

Mathew 4:4

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

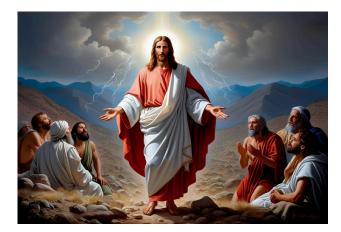
You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.



Next Sunday Readings: Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18, Ps 26: 1, 7-9, 13-14, Phil 3: 17-4: Lk 9: 28-36





enten Reflection

Commencing 11th March Then every Tuesday until the 8th April 6pm St Francis Meeting Room START ANEW IN CHRIST BOOK will be used The book is \$5 each. please remember to purchase after mass or collect from our Parish Office between: Monday to Friday 9am-2pm









17th March 9am - 1pm At St Francis Hall

Sacramental Program-Confirmation

Calling all children in Grade 3 and above to join our **Confirmation program!** To enroll please donwload form using

the below QR Code and



Once you have completed the form, please visit https://duttonpark.flocknote.com/signup/199477

to complete registration or email documents to stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au

Media

St Mary's PASSION PLAY Good Friday 2:30 pm

We invite all children to take part in this year's Passion Play. Please see Sr Salvacion/Dianne after Mass or contact the Parish Office 07 3324 3736

REHEARSAL DATES:

6th & 7th of April *after 9am Sunday Mass* St Mary's Church



Stations of the Cross





7th March

(Postponed due to weather alert.)

2025 Kids Lenten Activities



This year we have created our 2025 Lenten Calendar, as well as our Lenten Pray, Fast, Give Dice and Prayer Cards.



Journey through Lent with kids by printing out the Lenten calendar and following along each day. See the tiles below to download.



Just a couple of notes:

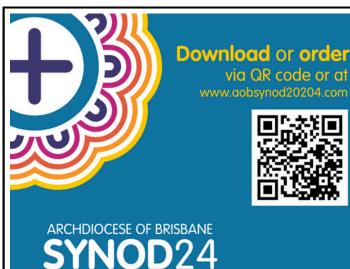


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ORDINARY TIME

Community News

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Mass Times

ST MARY'S

- 20 Merivale St, South Brisbane
 - Mon-Fri: 7am | Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 - Sun: 9am & 5pm
 - ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI
 - 47 Dornoch Tce, West End
- Sun: 9am
- ST ITA'S

247 Gladstone Rd, Dutton Park

- Sat(Vigil): 5pm
- Sun: 10:30am (Indonesian)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

72 Victoria St Fairfield

• Sun: 7am

CONFESSIONS

St Mary's

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

PARISH ACTIVITIES

BAPTISMS

• Sat: 10am

Booking is essential Contact Parish Office 07 3324 3736

PRAYER & ADORATION

- Tue: 6:30pm St Mary's Church
- Sun: 4pm St Mary's Church

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

• Sat: after 8am Mass until Sundays 8:30am

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

- 1st Fri 7am St Mary's Church
- 1st Sat 5pm St Ita's Church
- 1st Sun 7am OLPS Fairfield

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (SCHOOL TERM ONLY)

• Sun: 9am - 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 07 3324 3736 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.

To make an anonymous report call 1300 304 550 For more information visit:

www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding