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**Parish Activities in 2020**

**BAPTISMS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**  
 Saturday | 9.30 a.m. | monthly  
 1st Saturday St Francis'  
 2nd Saturday St Mary's  
 3rd Saturday St Ita's

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9.30 a.m. Bookings essential.

**ADORATION**  
 Sunday: 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. St Mary's Church

**DIVINE MERCY**  
 Sunday: 4:15pm St Mary's Church

**PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION**  
 Monday to Friday: 12:00 noon—2:00 p.m. at St Mary's Church

**AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST**  
 1st Saturday of the month at 6:00 p.m.  
 St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End  
 website: [awaken.org.au](http://awaken.org.au)

**ST FRANCIS TABLE—Ministry to the Elderly**  
 Every Monday **ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
 Monday: 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.  
 St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS**  
 1st Friday of the month | St Mary's Church 7:00 a.m.  
 1st Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7:00 a.m.

**PARISH MORNING TEAS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
 Every Sunday St Mary's (and Feast Days)  
 1st Sunday of the month  
 OLPS Fairfield after 7:00 a.m. Mass  
 St Francis Church after 9:00 a.m. mass

**FAMILY MASS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
 4th Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5:00 p.m. (school term only)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
 St Ita's Church 5:00 p.m. (except for family mass)  
 St Mary's Church 9.00am

**RISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM**  
 Dates to be advised | St Francis Hall

**NEW PARISHIONERS**  
 We would like to help you feel at home in the Parish. Would you please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. Welcome leaflets with basic information about the parish are also available either at the door of the church or by contacting the parish office. Thank you for becoming part of our community.

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**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
 22 March 2020 - Year A**

Dear Parishioners  
 Notice from Archbishop Mark Coleridge announcing certain changes in light of the latest advice from the Government and Catholic Health Australia. Ones that specifically relate to our parish:

The celebration of Mass on Sundays (including the Saturday vigil) is suspended with immediate effect and until further notice, and all the faithful are dispensed from the Sunday obligation.

Mass for the people will be celebrated on Sundays without a congregation, you are able to follow Masses live-streamed from the Cathedral at [archbne.org/bzw](http://archbne.org/bzw) on Sundays and weekdays.

For the time being, weekday Masses may be celebrated as scheduled, with the current restrictions and precautions to be observed. **Therefore weekday masses 7.00am Monday-Friday at St Mary's will remain in place** whilst the numbers attending are under 100.

Any Church celebration or event where more than 100 people are expected will be cancelled or postponed.

Hymn books should not be used. – No paper newsletters will be provided during this time – email and website only.

Prayers of intercession for an end to the pandemic and for the safety of all should be included in our private prayer

**Stations of the Cross** – will remain in place with the current restrictions and precautions to be observed

**Lenten Reflection** – will remain in place with the current restrictions and precautions to be observed

Archbishop Mark encourages us all in a time such as this, to strengthen and deepen our spiritual life, precisely so that we do not "lose sight of Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2). The Archdiocese will do everything possible to assist us with this; and there is an abundance of online resources – including Mass at home – to nourish our faith through this time. He offers us two prayers which you may wish to pray through this time. The first is one he has written: its words are simple but they may help to guide you in your prayer. May the God to whom we turn in this moment listen to the pleading of our heart and answer as he has so often before, so that love may come from fear, hope from despair and joy from sorrow:

Almighty and all-merciful God,  
 lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,  
 in whom there is no shadow of death,  
 save us in this time of crisis;  
 grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;  
 watch over all medical people  
 as they tend the sick and work for a cure;  
 stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;  
 if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open. (Contd pg 3..)

**MASS TIMES**

**St Mary's Church** (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane)  
 Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)  
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm

**St Francis' Church** (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)  
 Sunday: 9am

**St Ita's Church** (Pope St., Dutton Park)  
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm; Sunday: 8.00am

**Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**  
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)  
 Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

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**CONFESSION**

**St Mary's Church:**  
 Fri: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm

**St Ita's Church:** Sat: 4-4.50pm

**ST ITA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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## READINGS AT MASS

### Entrance Antiphon Cf. Is 66: 10-11

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.  
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

### First reading 1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him: God does not see as man sees: man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

### Responsorial Psalm Psalm 22(23)

*The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

1. The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. R/  
He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. R/  
You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. R/  
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. R/

### Second reading Ephesians 5: 8-14

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said:  
Wake up from your sleep,  
rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.

### Gospel Acclamation John 8:12

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will have the light of life.  
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

### Gospel John 9: 1-41

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man, and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.

His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.'

They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away.

Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.

Jesus said:

'It is for judgement  
that I have come into this world,  
so that those without sight may see  
and those with sight turn blind.'  
Hearing this, some Pharisees who were present said to him, 'We are not blind, surely?' Jesus replied: 'Blind? If you were,  
you would not be guilty,  
but since you say, "We see,"  
your guilt remains.'

### Communion Antiphon

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,  
I saw and I believed in God.

**Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading:** Ezek 37: 12-14;  
**2nd reading:** Rom 8: 8-11; **Gospel** Jn 11: 1-45

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### This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 23rd:

*R/ I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.*

Tuesday 24th:

*R/ The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.*

Wednesday 25th: The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)

*R/ Here I am Lord; I come to do your will.*

Thursday 26th:

*R/ Lord, remember us for the love you bear for your people.*

Friday 27th:

*R/ The Lord is near to broken hearts.*

Saturday 28th:

*R/ Lord, my God, I take shelter in you.*

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By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,  
that hope may never die  
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,  
may shine upon us and the whole world.

Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.

St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.

The second is an ecumenical prayer from the National Council of Churches, who have invited all of us to pray this prayer at 7pm each day, but especially on Sunday 29 March which we will mark as a National Day of Prayer in this time of crisis:  
Gracious God,

We give thanks anew for your providence and presence.  
We prayerfully seek your grace, amidst COVID-19 here and overseas. We pray for those in need of healing.

We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving.  
We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain  
all those who are serving in response.

We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment  
amidst the many choices and decisions  
facing our national, community and medical leaders.

We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do  
to help those who are vulnerable.

This prayer for our nation in the family of nations,  
with all that is on our hearts,  
we gather now and pray  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In light of the recently announced provisions suspending Mass on Sundays until further notice, we would like to recommend a few practical strategies for your.

#### SUNDAY:

- Attached are the Sunday readings We encourage families to light a candle (the Gospel is about seeing), to read the Scripture aloud, and to pray for God's protection.
- Watch on TV the Mass from the cathedral.  
[www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast](http://www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast)
- Act of Spiritual Communion—you can pray this prayer together as a family

#### WEDNESDAY: The Feast of the Annunciation.

The family pray the rosary as a mid-week prayer on this day. The attached diagram to the side may be helpful.

Many people would like to still be able to give to the collections during this time You can do so online with an internet transfer, or contact our office to set up a Direct Debit.

Details are below for each parish for internet transfer: So that we know where to allocate the deposit please ensure that the reference has your last name and collections on it.

#### Bank Account details for Dutton Park West End Parish are:

BSB: 064-786  
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Reference: Last Name—collections

#### Bank Account details for St Mary's Account are:

BSB: 064-786  
Acc No: 007 230 100  
Acc Name: St Mary's Catholic Church  
Reference: Last Name collections  
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For Direct Debit contact: Parish Secretary  
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### PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM 2020 Still proceeding



**Be Opened - A Journey to New Life**  
6pm every Tuesday during Lent  
St Ita's Meeting Room



**Stations of the Cross**  
Every Friday night during Lent  
from 7.00pm  
St Mary's Church.

### Parish Activities—Cancelled until further notice

**St Francis Table**  
St Mary's Passion Play

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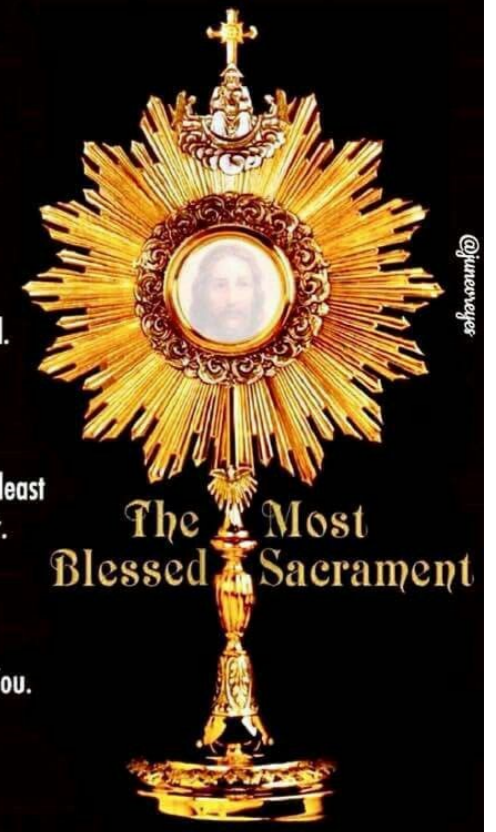
My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all  
things, and I desire to  
receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You  
sacramentally, come at least  
spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You  
were already there and  
unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be  
separated from You.

*O my God, my only hope, I have placed all my trust in You,  
and I know I shall not be disappointed. (Diary, 317)*



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