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FUTURE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS 2020

Brisbane Catholic Education Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) is offering scholarships to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tertiary students who are enrolled in a full time teachina dearee at a University campus located within the Brisbane Archdiocese from the beginning of 2020.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY To apply: https://tinyurl.com/bceteachingscholarship Contact Gemma Crowley, Organisational Development (07) 3033 7523 or orgdev@bne.catholic.edu.au Submit your application and references by 8th November 2019



HISTORY PLAQUES in West End

Recently 6 plaques on metal stands were installed in Boundary Street between Vulture & Russell Streets. One plaque, on Multicultural West End, in part refers to the commitment of people from St Francis of Assisi Parish in the resettlement of Vietnamese refugees after the fall of Saigon in April 1975. This work was led by St Clare's Conference of the SVDP Society from 1976 through to the late 1980's. St Clare's was a women's conference attached to St Francis Parish. The conference was involved in helping pregnant women & women with young children gain access to medical & welfare services, including vaccination & practical advice on what was for them a non-customary diet; organising recreational activities for isolated young men using St Francis Hall; participating in English-language teaching particularly for women in their homes; & advocacy for the refugees through committee work, letter-writing to newspapers and speaking at women's groups.





Congratulations to the candidates who received their First Holy Communion last weekend at St Ita's Church and St Francis of Assisi Church.

Photo of St Francis group to come ...



EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF: St Mary's - South Brisbane; St Ita's - Dutton Park: St Francis of Assisi - West End & Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Fairfield. Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 22 September 2019 - Year C

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

This weekend the theme for our reflection is on the generosity of heart. Generous aiving will be repaid in kind. Augustine reminds us that we are all begaars of God. "Even though you possess plenty, you are still poor. You abound in temporal possessions, but you need things eternal. Fill your neighbour from your fullness, so that your emptiness may be filled from God's fullness".

We do not need to be afraid for true generosity does not impoverish the giver, but enriches that person a hundredfold! Generosity expands the soul - but greed contracts it. God is generous and superabundant in lavishing his gifts upon us. We can never outmatch God in generosity. He has given us the best of gifts in sending us his only-begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who offered up his life for us on the cross. The Father also offers us the aift of the Holy Spirit who fills us with the fruit of peace, joy, patience, kindness, love, and self-control.

The Lord alone can satisfy our desires and give us generous hearts

There is one Master alone who has the power to set us free from greed and possessiveness. That Master is the Lord Jesus Christ who died to set us free and who rose to give us new abundant life. The Lord Jesus invites us to make him the Master and Lord of our lives. He alone can satisfy the desires of our heart and transform us in his love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

God bless you and have great weekend

Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap Parish priest

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)

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

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CATHOLIC PARISH



St Francis of Assisi St Vincent de Paul **Conference Celebration** Members of the St Francis Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society will gather at the 9 am Mass at St Francis this Sunday to celebrate the Feast of its patron -St Vincent de Paul

(Feast Day 27 September). Awards for service will be presented by Larry Mann, the Diocesan President. to six members who have completed 15+ or 20+ years of service.

There is an article on our back page which has some amazing history of significance for our parish and the conference.



St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day

Please join us for a picnic and a game of touch football after Mass this Sunday at St Ita's Jubilee Oval, Dutton Park (enter via TJ Doyle Memorial Drive carpark).

Don't forget to bring along your pet for the 'Blessing of the Animals'. Dogs must be on a leash at all times, cats and chickens need to be in crates or cages.

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Parish Activities in 2019

BAPTISMS

Saturday	9.30am	monthly
1st	Saturday	St Francis'
2nd	Saturday	St Mary's
3rd	Saturday	St Ita's

Family preparation sessions are held at the Parish Office on the fourth Tuesday morning of each month at 9.30am. Bookings essential.

ADORATION

Sunday: 4-5pm St Mary's Church PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION Monday to Friday: 12-2pm at St Mary's Church

AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST First Saturday of the month at 6pm

St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End website: awaken.org.au

ST FRANCIS TABLE—Ministry to the Elderly

Monday: 10am -1pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS First Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7am

PARISH MORNING TEAS

Every Sunday St Mary's (and Feast Days) First Sunday of the month OLPS Fairfield after 7am Mass

St Francis Church after 9am mass

FAMILY MASS

Fourth Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5pm (school term only)

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM

Third Sunday of the month | St Francis Hall 1.30-3pm

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.

READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First reading Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

Psalm 112:1-2.4-8 **Responsorial Psalm**

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Second readina 1 Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is

right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and -I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 8:9 Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor. to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples:

'There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

Communion Antiphon Ps 118: 4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Amos 6: 1, 4-7; 2nd reading: 1 Tim 6: 11-16; Gospel: Lk 16: 19-31

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> This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 23rd: St Pius of Pietrelcina (Memorial) R/ The Lord has done marvels for us. Tuesday 24th: R/Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. Wednesday 25th: R/ Blessed be God who lives forever. Thursday 26th: R/The Lord takes delight in his people. Friday 27th: St Vincent de Paul (Memorial) R/ Hope in God, I will praise him, my saviour and my God. Saturday 28th: R/ The Lord will guard us, like a shepherd guarding his flock.



Would you like to become involved in the Flower Ministry at St Francis Church and join a dedicated group of joyous flower arrangers who are currently on a monthly roster to provide the beautiful display of flowers and

greenery that decorate the altars at St Francis Church each Sunday? Your commitment could be as an arranger, financial supporter or donating flowers from your own garden. For further information please contact the Parish Office 3844 2744 stitaspar@bne.catholic.net.au

Social Justice Statement

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 29 September. This year, the Australian Bishop's Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world'. It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it. For further information call us on 02) 8306 3499 or visit our website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) Follow us on Facebook: @socialiusticeACBC or Twitter: @justiceCatholic

Order the Statement online at: bit.ly/socialjusticeshop

BRISBANE ASSEMBLY-October 4/5, 2019 PART OF THE PLENARY 2020 JOURNEY

4-5 October, 2019 at the Edmund Rice Performing Arts Centre - St Laurence's College, South Brisbane. Adult-\$50 Student/ Pensioner \$35 The Brisbane Assembly aims to provide participants with a deeper understanding of the themes for national discernment, the latest developments and vision casting from the Plenary Council national facilitation team, and most importantly an opportunity to take part in a process of communal discernment led by experienced facilitators. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested to attend.

MARCH FOR LIFE 2019

Saturday October 12 2pm Meeting at Queens Gardens, 144 George St Brisbane CBD. Marching to Parliament house. We RALLY for the UNBORN, for proper care for pregnant WOMEN and for the GENERATIONS to come. Please bring friends and family with you. The March will mark the 1 year anniversary of the passing of Qld's extreme abortion laws. Please come along and bring your family and friends. It will be a family-friendly event.

Euthanasia - We can live without it

The State Parliamentary Health Committee has been asked to give weight to the views of the community in its final report about the suitability of introducing Voluntary Assisted Dying legislation similar to that now operating in Victoria. Here is a tangible way to share your views with them via a newly raised e-petition "Euthanasia – we can live without it."

While this is a privately generated petition started by medical professionals, the local Church is in full agreement with its call for properly funded palliative care across all metropolitan and regional areas of Queensland as the only outcome to pursue.

It is a fairly simple process to add your voice of opposition to VAD/ euthanasia via the Petition link here: https:// www.parliament.gld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/petitions/petition-

details?id=3176

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The "Listening and Discernment" phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment on the National Themes for Discernment. Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern", at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



Installation mass

We would like to invite you to join with us as Archbishop Mark Coleridge celebrates the Installation mass of Fr Joshy Parappully as Parish Priest of St Mary's Parish and Parish Administrator of Dutton Park Parish on Sunday 29 September 9.00am All Welcome. Please join us for morning tea afterwards. If you would like to assist with the catering please contact Douglas 0412 193 462

Bus Driver Urgently Required

This year our parish and RYM are taking 30 youth to the lanite Conference. We are seeking a parishioner who has a bus licence for a 25 seater bus and is willing to share the driving over a 4 day period.

26—29 September 2019

Archdiocesan Volunteer Requirements will apply. Please contact the parish office if you are able to assist



Sunday, 1 5pm Mas WASH movers. Sunday, 13 October during both St Mary's 9am and 5pm Masses. \$20 per car / \$30 for 4WDs and people

Fundraising for restoration of St Mary's Church. Volunteers required, please contact ANDREA (0422 357 980).

Youth Corner

Seven Billion Family Members!

Let me ask you a question: how many people are in your family? You may say three, four or even ten – but do you know what the real answer is? There are approximately 7.5 billion people in your



family. That's a lot of people – in fact it's the world's population. But why? God created everyone in this world in His image and likeness. As such, I'm learning that our duty as children of God is to see everyone in this world as members of our family.

When I was growing up, my brother

and I would frequently quarrel - sometimes, we'd say very hurtful things to each other. But we'd still love each other and be there for each other because we're brothers. In the same way, Jesus calls us to love others, just how we'd love members of our family.

What if it's too difficult to love others? When my brother would really bother me, I'd ask my dad for help. And sometimes, I'd even ask my mum. In the same way, if we find it too difficult to love certain people, we can surrender our problems to our Heavenly Father (our Mama Mary is always here to comfort us too).

Here's a prayer: "God, I love you, and I need you. I know you're always here for me and I thank you for all that you've given me. I surrender my issue to you. You are the creator of the universe so anything is possible through you. You know how I feel in my heart about this person. What should I do? Thank you for helping me solve this problem."

"...and I will be your Father, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." (2 Corinthians 6:18)



David Bobis is the Youth Leader of the Rising Youth Ministry. Follow us on Facebook or IG @risingyouthministry.org. See you at our next event on Sunday, 22 September, 13.00pm!