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When was the last time you reviewed your will?

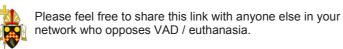
#### Dear Friends

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, the local Church is in total agreement with its call for properly funded palliative care across all metropolitan and regional areas of Queensland as the only outcome to pursue.

You can add your voice of opposition to VAD/ euthanasia via the Petition link here: https://www.parliament.gld.gov.au/work-ofassembly/petitions/petition-details?id=3176







# 21th Sunday in Ordinary Time 25 August 2019 - Year C

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

As we are on the last weekend of the month in August we have the gospel of Luke 13:22-30 for our reflection. The life - our own way for his way. word of God here speaks about the salvation of souls. 'Lord, will those who are saved be few?' This is the question asked by one of the followers of Jesus. To that Jesus gives a God bless you and have great weekend beautiful answer saying try entering through narrow gate. Fr. Joshy Prappully Ofm Cap By saying he was speaking not "how many" will be saved Parish priest. but "how" one will be saved.

What does it mean by this narrow door? It is Jesus Christ himself. Jesus is the door to the kingdom of heaven. "I am the door" if anyone enters by me, he will be saved (John 10:9). And how he became the door for all humanity; it is through his passion and death. God sent his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to open the way for us to have full access to the throne of God's grace and mercy. Through Jesus' victory on the cross he has freed us from slavery to sin and hurtful desires and addictions, and he has made us sons and daughters of God and citizens of his heavenly kingdom. Thus, He has become the door for our entrance into his kingdom and has given an invitation to pass through narrow gate.

Our human nature is to have wide open doors; easy, comfortable and spacious doors. We don't like narrow and restricted paths. But the actual salvation is promised only when we try entering through narrow gate which Jesus Himself has given us; the path of self sacrifice and taking up the daily cross which are inevitable to our lives. So if we

## MASS TIMES

: Mary's Church (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane)
Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
Sunday: 9am and 5pm
Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
Sunday: 9am
<b>Ita's Church</b> (Pope St., Dutton Park)
Saturday (Vigil): 5pm; Sunday: 8.00am
hurch of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
(Victoria St., Fairfield)
Sunday: 7am (Anointing:1st Sunday)
Confession
Mary's Church:
i: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm
Ita's Church: Sat: 4-4.50pm
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want to enter God's kingdom and receive our full inheritance which is stored up for us in heaven, then we are to follow the Lord Jesus in his way of the cross through a willing renunciation of our own will for his will - our own life for his

> St Mary's Parish Feast Day, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was celebrated last Sunday.





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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

### **CAKE STALL** St Francis Church

Third Sunday of the month After the 9am mass 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 Cf. Ps 85: 1-3 Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

#### First reading Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 116(117) Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! R/ Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. R/

#### Second readina

Gospel

#### Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

#### **Gospel Acclamation** John 14:6 Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

#### Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

#### **Communion Antiphon** Cf. Ps 103: 13-15

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord: you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29; 2nd reading: Heb 12:18-19, 22-24; Gospel: Lk 14: 7-14

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

Monday 26th:

R/ The Lord takes delight in his people. St Monica (Memorial) Tuesday 27th: R/You have searched me and you know me, Lord. Wednesday 28th: St Augustine (Memorial) R/You have searched me and you know me, Lord. Thursday 29th: The Passion of St John the Baptist (Memorial) R/I will sing your salvation. Friday 30rd: R/Let the just rejoice in the Lord. Saturday 31st: R/ The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

#### Father's Day and First Holy Communion Cards

St Mary's has hand-made greeting cards for all occasions, sacramental candles, rosary beads, bracelets plus other Christian gifts for sale. Please see Dianne or Ruby after Sunday Masses. The monies raised through the sale of these items helps fund the restoration of St Mary's Church.

Volunteers required to open St Mary's Church Monday to Friday, from 12 pm to 2 pm. The church continues to be opened from 12-2pm each weekday for personal prayer and reflection. There are 2 people on roster each day. You may also wish to assist on an as required basis should one of our roster volunteers be ill or have another engagement on their rostered day. If you can assist us by giving your time it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Dianne if you can assist.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Succour—Fairfield

Call for volunteers- any pianist or organist-to assist with the roster for the organ. Our organist at Fairfield would love to expand the music to include more people to share the load many benefits come from stepping up and helping to form a music team.

### Morning tea at St Mary's



In addition to morning tea/supper neig and out out In addition to morning tea/supper held after each also holding Special morning teas/suppers during

2019 to celebrate major feast days and other special calendar events. Our next Special Celebration morning tea/ supper will be held on Father's Day, Sunday, 1 September. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Future 2019 Special Celebration Morning Tea/Supper dates 1 September – Father's Day

24 December – Christmas Vigil

The construction of additional toilets has commenced at St *Mary's. Whilst the work is being carried out a portable* toilet, located near St Mary's House, is available for use. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Natural Fertility Awareness Week 19th -25th August 2019 Did you know a woman's health is often reflected in her fertility? Learning The Billings Ovulation Method® can alert a woman to underlying health problems. If you would like to be able to manage your fertility naturally and to monitor your reproductive health, accredited Billing Teachers are available to assist you throughout Australia. For further information ring Billings LIFE on 1800 335 860 or Billings LIFE VIS-

it www.billings.life



2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church = Our Mission = Our Community

### 7—8 September

Centacare's team of staff and volunteers provide outreach for vital ministries such as:

- Homelessness and housing support
- Hospital chaplaincy
- Domestic and family violence
- Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care
- Murri ministry



#### Join us next Sunday for our Monthly Parish Morning Teas Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Fairfield -

Annointing of the Sick 7am Mass—followed by morning tea St Francis of Assisi West End after 9am Mass St Mary's after 9am and 5pm Masses

### The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you

The Catholic Leader journalist Mark Bowlina recalls East Timor's troubled and violent beginnings of it's path to independence 20 years ago.

A senior priest in Papua New Guinea turns to Australia seeking compassion for refuges and asylum seekers in our off-shore de tention system.

Real Talk Australia's co-founder Paul Ninnes says young people need to understand their self-worth, that they are made in the image and likeness of God, to develop a healthy sexuality and healthy relationships

(Copies at the back of the churches \$2.00)

### Thank-you from St Vincent de Paul

The St Francis of Assisi Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all parishioners and friends of the Dutton Park Parish for their support during

the Society's Winter Appeal. There have been significant Poor Box donations and other gifts for our work as a result of the appeal. The St Ita's school community was again generous in their provision of blankets, tinned food, and cash donations. The Conference wishes to acknowledge this support that adds materially to what we can do and encourages members to continue their efforts for those in need of a hand-up in the suburbs of West End, Highgate Hill, Dutton Park, and Fairfield.

# Youth Corner



Ever seen the cute character Totoro before? For those of you who don't know, Totoro was created by an animation studio called Studio Ghib-

I'm watching a documentary about Hayao Miyazaki, a cofounder and (now retired) Director of Studio Ghibli. When he was making his last film, The Wind Rises, his team of 300 took over one year to create a scene that lasted only four seconds. Talk about perfectionism.

In this Sunday's Gospel (Luke 13:22-30) Jesus says, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and not succeed.' Jesus has such high standards for us it can be scary - in fact he requires that you choose Him over anything else, all the time.

You may ask, 'Why bother? Life will be so much easier if I put myself first.

Just like the team at Studio Ghibli are obsessed about making great films, I believe Jesus is obsessed about making you the best version of yourself you can be. If you want to truly live life, if you want to make a difference in the world, if you want purpose: choose Jesus first.

"Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it." (Matthew 7:13-14)



David Bobis is the Youth Leader of the Rising Youth Ministry. Join us at our next event on 22 September, 1:30 p.m. at 47 Dornoch Tce. West End. More info at risingvouthministry.org