

**3RD SUNDAY
OF EASTER
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4 / 5 MAY**



**The Parish of St James
Coorparoo.
A Vibrant, Prayerful,
Inclusive and Augustinian
Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane**



View From The Pews *(from the Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council)*

It is over fifty years since I first came to St James Parish. Things were so different then. The Second Vatican Council had been in session from 1962 to 1965 and was regarded as the most significant religious event since the 16th century Reformation. The documents and decrees passed by the Council have helped shape the Church as it moved to read the signs of the times.

There were six Augustinians living in the Priory serving this wonderful community of Coorparoo. Up the road at Villanova there were another twelve Friars caring for the education of boys from the area. There was a community of Good Samaritan Sisters, who lived in the local convent now occupied by Centacare, caring for the Primary students of St James. Also, Lay people were in abundance and there were six Masses each Sunday to cater for these numbers, but there was minimum active involvement in the Mission of the Church, we were there to "save our souls".

Today, there are fewer Catholics in Australia and fewer filling the pews each Sunday. Catholic churchgoers today are more highly educated and more likely to have been born overseas. As Archbishop Coleridge recently observed in The Catholic Leader, "Catholics in Australia are more than twice as likely to have a university degree than twenty years ago."

As this community of St James prepares to call on new lay leadership in the weeks ahead, I would like to put forward the needs of the various ministries working in the parish. **The Parish Pastoral Council, The Finance Committee, The Liturgy Committee, St Vincent de Paul, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and Social Justice Forum** all need to be strengthened by new members who are willing to become involved. It is time for each one of us to ask how we can be of service to the Risen Lord and his people.

The great commission given by Jesus was for all to "Go, teach, baptize and make disciples." We are challenged to be Missionary disciples who wish to share their loving relationship with Jesus, with others who may not necessarily have entered our church doors.

We will be calling for recommendations and suggestions for new volunteers over the coming weeks. Please give prayerful consideration to your own role in this servant leadership of the laity.

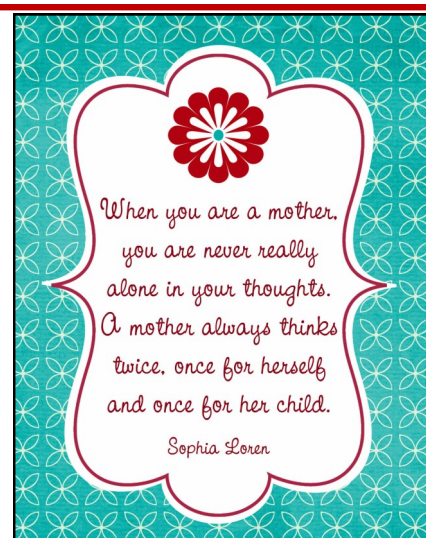
The message of Easter is still in our minds and hearts. We know what Christ has done for us out of Love. What can we, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, do for Him and our sisters and brothers in the Lord?

With fraternal love from **Ray**.



NEXT WEEK is MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND.
The Youth & Young Adult Ministry (YYAM)
will be selling roses for \$5 a stalk. Funds
raised will be put forward to our Parish
Multicultural Celebration later on in the
year. COME SUPPORT US with a small
gesture of thanks and appreciation to all
our beautiful mothers.

*(Youth & Young Adults Mass – every 4th Sunday of the month
6pm. Details phone 0413 762 544)*



TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41 We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit. **Second Reading** Revelation 5: 11-14 The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory and blessing. **Gospel Reading** John 21: 1-9 Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish.

For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website (look for the Prayer tab).

www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings.



Please pray for recently deceased: Fernan de la Viconia; Irish Rago; Fintan Kealy; Kathleen Sullivan; Warwick Jones; Samuel Dangwa.

And these anniversaries: Vincent Tongue; Jim Murray; Albert Bowler; Mavis Manning.

Please pray for these unwell: Nancy & Kerry McLaughlin; Leanne Hendrix; Graham Clinch; Carmel Trewern; Michael Simpson; Tina Romano; Christina Williams; Sandy Williams.

Please give prayers and welcome to these baptismal children:

Edward & Orson Ryan; Alice Ready.

St. James Parish acknowledges the Jaggera People of Coorparoo as the traditional owners of the land on which we live.

Social Justice

SIGNIFICANT DATES — MAY:



Sunday 5: Blessed Edmund Rice.

Beginning of Ramadan.

Monday 6: 1992: introduction of mandatory detention of asylum seekers in Australia.

Wednesday 8: World Red Cross & Crescent Day.

1970: first anti-Vietnam War Moratorium march Australia.

Friday 10: 1994: Nelson Mandela's inaugural address as President of South Africa.

3 May World Press Freedom Day.... celebrates the fundamental principles of press freedom, to evaluate press freedom around the world, to defend the media from attacks on their independence and to pay tribute to journalists who have lost their lives in the exercise of their profession... At the core of UNESCO's mandate is freedom of the press and freedom of expression. UNESCO believes that these freedoms allow for mutual understanding to build a sustainable peace. A reminder that in dozens of countries around the world, publications are censored, fined, suspended and closed down.

Parish news

INTERESTED IN JOINING VINNIES?

A small group of Volunteers render this assistance within our Parish, but there are times when visits to people may be slightly delayed due to temporary shortage of Volunteers. Anyone who might have as little as 1 or 2 hours spare a week is invited to contact **Ron Stephenson on 0414 745 178**.



We are aware that many of the Australian Catholic people wish to reach out to their Sri Lankan brothers and sisters at this time. For many decades ACN, as a pontifical foundation supporting suffering and persecuted Christians, has worked closely with the Church in Sri Lanka on projects around the formation of seminarians and religious, the building of churches, faith education and more. Any offerings for the Church in Sri Lanka can be made online: **www.aidtochurch.org/**

Sri Lanka or deposited into ACN's bank account: **Account name: Aid to the Church in Need. Account number: 008601759 BSB: 012321** *Please ensure any deposit includes in the reference field: SL (for Sri Lanka) as well as the parish suburb and state e.g. **SL Penrith NSW**. This will ensure the offering is correctly coded.

Wednesday 8th May: FRIENDS OF ST AUGUSTINE

Gathering 6.30pm in St James Priory.

Bring a plate to share. Contact Ray or parish office.



St James School Term 2 Community Mass (once known as Family Cuppa Mass) will be held on **Sunday 26th May at 9am.**

ST JAMES DAY FETE 2019 – 28TH JULY ... parishioners, can you keep plant cuttings for the Plants/Books stall at the fete, looked after by Cassie Williamson? Support the school and the P and F who organise this event and get in touch via bpbriggs@hotmail.com or stjpandf@gmail.com.

Planned Giving for the Week ending 28th April (Week 4)

Collection	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
1 st Collection Augustinian	\$651.05	\$284	\$170	\$315	\$1,420.05
2 nd Collection Parish	\$420.20	\$292	\$190.70	\$275	\$1,177.90



Jeff Cavins Australian Tour Postponed

We received sad news about Jeff Cavins' mother in law, Alice Tobler, who passed away on Easter Sunday. This is Emily's mother, who introduced Jeff to the Bible. This is a tough time for Emily and Jeff's family. Please keep them in your prayers. God is the author of life and may His will be done. We will update you further once we have more news about rescheduling of the tour. Organizers at St James Church on 5th May from 12.00pm to 3.00pm for prayers and viewing of Jeff's

DVDs. Enquiries phone Sonny - 0421437752



Term 2: Yr 4 children who wish to continue their Sacramental Program with First Holy Communion: from May 13th...

Please email: osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au to let us know your interest.

TERM 2, 2019 Preparation for First Holy Communion	Year 4 or older (9 years or older)	Preparation Phase (have already celebrated Sacrament of Confirmation)	Venue
Monday 6pm	May 13th	Parent info session	Church
Sunday 9am	May 19 th	Rite of Enrolment	Church
Monday 6pm	May 27 th	Family session 1	Church
Monday 6pm	June 3 rd	Family session 2	Church
Monday 6pm	June 10 th	Liturgy to Celebrate God's Mercy	Church
Sunday 9am	June 16th	First Holy Communion Mass	Church
Sunday 9am and Sunday 10am	June 23 rd June 23 rd	Mass then Celebration	Church Hall



Does your child, at least in Year 4, wish to be a **JUNIOR ALTAR SERVER** here at St James Parish? Training sessions will run after PENTECOST (June). Please email the parish office to indicate interest, osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au. More details coming soon!

Deanery news

Wednesday 22nd May: Brisbane East Deanery meeting 7pm for 7.30pm. Held here at St James Coorparoo on this occasion.

2019 Brisbane East Deanery Trivia Night will be held on Saturday 8th June at the Sts Peter and Paul's Parish Hall at Bulimba ... Queensland The event is designed as a community get-together so the ticket price will remain at only \$15 per person and is the only fundraiser for the Deanery. As this is a Deanery event, our aim is to have at least one table from each parish attend. (See noticeboard for details)



May issue of The Bridge Newsletter (Catholic Enquiry Centre) go to this link
<https://nce.catholic.org.au/images/2018/newsletter/TheBridge1905.pdf>

Archdiocese news

Vocation Matters: we continue to share our vocational story (copies available at the side entrance). We exist to join you - to lead young people to their true vocation and ultimately to Christ. We thank you for your support of our vision, 'Providing many inspiring future leaders, priests and religious for the Catholic community of Brisbane'.

Liturgy Brisbane's annual one-day Liturgical Musicians Formation and Development Day will be held on Saturday 11th May from 9:00am to 3:00pm at Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo. Facilitators and presenters for 2019 include Sr Ursula O'Rourke and Fr John Fitz-Herbert and liturgical music ministers from Maroochydore Parish. We have prepared a day filled with music, friendship, formation and new music. Let your parish office know of your interest in attending :)

Position Vacant – Parish Manager

Applications are open for a position at Upper Mount Gravatt. A person with excellent office management experience as well as administration and secretarial skills is required for a full-time position of Parish Manager for 37.5 hours per week, Monday to Friday. Applications close Friday 17th May 2019. (see noticeboard details)

Other news of interest

Iona College Enrolment Applications are now being accepted for 2021 Year 5. Enrolment applications close Friday 7 June 2019: (boys who are in Year 3 in 2019). To complete an Enrolment Form or book a College Tour go to <http://enrol.iona.qld.edu.au/>. Iona College Open Day will be held on Monday 3 June 2019 from 1.30pm-4.00pm, for further details go to <http://enrol.iona.qld.edu.au/open-day/>

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Counters

May 4 / 5 Lorie & Lea

May 11 / 12 Greg & Kate

NEXT WEEK May 11 / 12	SATURDAY 6 PM VIGIL	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	H. DEAKIN	T. RASHAD	G. EGERT	J. WALSH
LECTOR	S. PHILLIPS	B. TRIGGS-FULTON	P. MULLINS	L. BRADLEY
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Mass Times

WEEKEND: Saturday 8 am; Vigil 6 pm;
Sunday 7 am, 9 am, 6 pm.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4.30—5.30 pm.

WEEKDAY: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8 am.

ADORATION: Thursday 8 am.

PRAYER GROUP: each morning prior to Mass.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 7th June 2019.

NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 7th June 2019, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 19th May 2019 — 9am mass.

Ten Marks of Spiritual Maturity...

9) You understand Christianity doesn't have an on/off switch.

Mature Christians are constantly aware of their surroundings. They are constantly aware of opportunities God is presenting them to disciple, share, love and comfort. Nothing is off limits.

Fr Joseph Lam