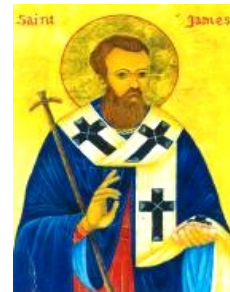


# 1ST SUNDAY LENT YR C 2022 6 MARCH

## The Parish of St James Coorparoo A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive Augustinian Parish Archdiocese of Brisbane



### Alpha St James, Coorparoo – 2022 Wednesday Nights, 6:30pm – 9:00pm St James Church Hall

Week 1	9 March	Is There More to Life Than This?
Week 2	16 March	Who is Jesus?
Week 3	23 March	Why Did Jesus Die?
Week 4	30 March	How Can I Have Faith?
1-19 April – No Alpha School Break & Holy Week		
Week 5	20 April	Why and How Do I Pray?
Week 6	27 April	Why and How Should I read the Bible?
Week 7	4 May	How Does God Guide Us?
Week 8 Weekend Retreat	Saturday/Sunday 14 & 15 May	Holy Spirit Weekend
Week 9	18 May	How Can I Resist Evil?
Week 10	25 May	Why and How Should I Tell Others?
Week 11	June 1	Does God Heal Today?
Week 12	June 8	What about the Church?

**REGISTER NOW @ [alpha.org/try-alpha/](http://alpha.org/try-alpha/)**

Look for "Find an Alpha in Your Area", and type "4151 Coorparoo", or "Coorparoo".

In the results, click on - Alpha at St James Catholic Church, Coorparoo

Alpha 2022 is starting  
**Wednesdays  
9th March.**  
Registration can be done online via [alpha.org/try-alpha](http://alpha.org/try-alpha).

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is our liaison person for St James.

**Donations dropped to Priory or in basket near side entrance.**

**Time: 6.30pm-9pm [Dinner included].**

**Venue: St James Hall.**

## IS THERE MORE TO LIFE...

**ALPHA is an opportunity for anyone with or without a faith to explore life and Christianity in an open, friendly & informal environment. Each evening there will be:**

- A meal**
- A short talk**
- Discussion in small groups**

The Alpha program runs every Wednesday at 6:30pm over 12 weeks starting: **6:30pm, 9 March 2022**  
St James Parish Hall  
165 Old Cleveland Road  
Coorparoo

### Pre-Summit

## Youth & Young Adults

**To form the Brothers and Sisters of Christ (Mark 3:35).** This ministry seeks to understand the unique challenges of youth and young adults and to help them foster a relationship with Christ as they grow into their emerging identity. This is an area that would not be far from many of our hearts - we all have dear ones who have struggled to find true meaning and relationship in the Church during their teens or their young adult years. It is such a crucial time in every life, where big questions are answered

and relationship with Jesus is tested. **How do you think our parish can better minister to youth and young adults?** If you do not have the opportunity during Mass, please scan the QR code to share your response and to help us keep you linked in on this journey.

**How about you, what is your dream for Youth & Young Adults ministry here at St James?**



### Project Compassion

Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, Anatercia can easily access clean drinking water, community members are able to grow healthy crops all year round, and there is enough nutritious food to eat. Anatercia feels better supported by her community, has more time to study and do her homework, and hopes to fulfil her dream of becoming a nurse.

**Drop Project Compassion 2022 envelopes in the Collection.**

**You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at each church entrance;** by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.



## This Sunday's Readings

### 1st Sunday Lent (Year C/2)

#### First Reading *Deuteronomy 26: 4-10 The confession of faith of the elect.*

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner 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.'

#### Second Reading *Romans 10: 8-13 The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.*

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 Reading *Luke 4: 1-13 Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.*

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.'

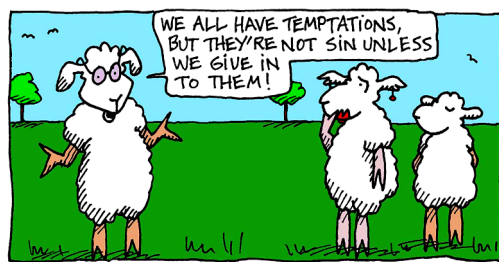
Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

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.



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"One believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved."

#### Sheepish Questions:

What temptations do I least want to face right now? Why?

Most folks will tell you it takes practice to say no to temptation. Consider Adam and Eve when they lived in paradise. They never had to practice saying no because they had everything they wanted. The first time they were tempted, they failed the test.

In this reading, we find Jesus in the desert tempted three times by the devil. He was physically weak, hungry and thirsty, and still he did not give in to temptation. He said no, not out of some superhuman power but from good old-fashioned willpower. Since Jesus is fully human, we can presume this was not his first encounter with temptation. Jesus had spent a lifetime building up his willpower by saying no to the easy way out, no to having fun at the expense of others, no to putting his needs or wants first.

How can we practice saying no to temptation? One way is by flexing the muscle of self-denial. Self-denial, or what we used to call, "giving stuff up," has been a part of Christian discipleship since Jesus walked with the first apostles: "...[G]o, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor..." (Matthew 19:21).

Lent may be the traditional time to practice self-denial, but it doesn't have to be the only time. You can practice saying no to your sweet tooth or the urge to buy one more thing on eBay. You can choose to drink water as your only beverage for a few days. You can even skip a couple of meals one day to experience what it feels like to go to bed hungry.

By practicing self-denial once in a while, we learn self-discipline, an important virtue for Christians. Often learning how to say no to small temptations can be very helpful when we find ourselves facing larger ones.

**BRINGING  
HOME THE  
GOSPEL**

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## Prayers

### Please pray for recently deceased:

Anton Nguyen; Chris Nanaya; Maureen Morton; John Mulcahy; Judith Smith; Shirley Robinson; Bernard Walsh.

**And these anniversaries:** Eustaquia Elicano; Patricia Svensdotter; Braulio Monterde; Maureen Ferguson; Gerard & Luke O'Reilly; Merle Chapman; Kevin Walsh; Harold Frampton.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Delia Ago; Donna Connolly; Kathleen, Mary-Clare & Michael Simpson; Fr Kevin Tuitti; Catherine Sheridan; Kyle Nevan Silva; Lenore Girard; Bill & Carmel Trewern; Bryan O'Connell; Margaret Tourish; Martin & Teresa Devine.



## Parish news

**\*Lenten Program-** prayer groups on Mondays after 8am mass. The Spirit and the Cross, \$5 cash donation. **Available at church side entrance...** All welcome.

**\*Way of the Cross-** will begin Wednesday 9th March and be held in the Church each Wednesday during Lent, after 8am mass. All welcome.



**Each Tuesday evening during Lent, Fr John will conduct a Bible reflection on "THE FACES OF GOD IN THE BIBLE".**

The first will be on 'THE CREATOR GOD'.

The reflection will begin at **7.30pm and finish at 8.30pm.**

**Begins 8th March.** Those who wish to remain for further discussion are welcome to do so. It would be helpful to bring a Bible but there should be some spares available.



### Irish St Patrick's Day Mass

The Annual St Patrick's Day Mass, organised by the St Patrick's Day Parade Committee as part of the Brisbane Irish Festival, will be celebrated again this year in the Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth Street at **10am on 17 March**. Fr Gerard McMorrogh will be the celebrant. All are welcome to attend, Irish or not. And, for those who may be unable to do so, the Mass will be live-streamed through the Cathedral website on this link - Live web cast - Archdiocese of Brisbane (brisbanecatholic.org.au) You may wish to pass the link on to someone overseas.



**MARCH** 1 March – 22 April Fr F away on annual leave.

**6 Sunday Rite of Election RCIA 9am mass**

**6 Sunday Worship Night with YAM (Hall from 5pm)**

**7 Monday** Lenten Prayer Group after 8am mass

**8 Tuesday** Fr John Bible Study 7.30pm (1)

**9 Wednesday** Way of the Cross after 8am mass

**9 Wednesday** Alpha gathering: **6.30pm-9pm in the Hall**

**10 Thursday** St V de P evening meeting Priory

**12 / 13 Saturday** 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Event-brite); **2nd Sunday Lent (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); No Baptisms. Parish laity ministry area 3 Adult Faith.**

**14 Monday** Lenten Prayer Group after 8am mass

**15 Tuesday** Fr John Bible Study 7.30pm (2)

**16 Wednesday** Way of the Cross after 8am mass

**16 Wednesday** Alpha gathering: **6.30pm-9pm in the Hall**

## Parish news

**Donations towards our Queenslanders who are suffering due to the current flood waters & damages...**



**Vinnies**  
good works

<https://donate.vinnies.org.au/donation-hub>



**No masks.** Click [here](#) to see Bishop Ken's message.



**Archbishop Mark's Lenten Letter** to the People of God in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Click [here](#).



Please pray for... **Ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons of HuYao John Zhang**, OSA to be presided by Most Rev. Vincent Long Van Nguyen, OFM Conv, DD Bishop of Parramatta. **Saturday 30 April 10am** at Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair.



**Women's Bible Lenten Study...** Calling all women of the parish seeking a Lenten Bible study to take you deeper into the Passion of Jesus. On Thursday evenings in Lent we will be studying Dr Edward Sri's video series "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion". Starting at **7.30pm on Thursday 3rd of March**. Contact Jovi [Jovina.james@gmail.com](mailto:Jovina.james@gmail.com) for details.

**WORSHIP NIGHT WITH YAM**

**Sunday 6th March 5pm**  
in the Parish HALL,  
Followed by  
gathering— dinner at  
**Pappa Rich**, Coorparoo  
Square.

**EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED ROMANS 10:13**

## Planned Giving for the Week of 27 February, 2022

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection Augustinian Priory</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100019791</b>	<b>\$369.60</b>	<b>\$125</b>	<b>\$215</b>	<b>\$165</b>	<b>\$874.60</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100005891</b>	<b>\$263</b>	<b>\$124</b>	<b>\$205</b>	<b>\$245</b>	<b>\$837</b>

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Finance Committee	Mark Garden	3397 1671
Pastoral Care	Parish Office	3397 1671
Safeguarding Officer	Kate Pearson	3397 1671

## Weekly Mass times

**WEEKEND:** Saturday 8am; Vigil 6pm.

Sunday 7am, 9am, no longer 6pm.

**WEEKDAY:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8am **WEEKDAY:** Friday 9am.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 4.30—5.30pm... by [Eventbrite link](#) or call parish office.

**HEALING + ANOINTING MASS:** Friday 1st April 2022 @ 9am.

**ALL NIGHT VIGIL:** Friday 1st April 2022.

**NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY (at this stage).**

## Counters

**March 6 / 7** Paul & Cecilia

**March 12 / 13** Anne & Margaret & Sylvia

Next week	2nd Sunday Lent March 12	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (2nd weekend)		Sylvia + Chris	n/a	YAM + Dan
COMMENTATOR		Sylvia P	Berenice T-F	Pat M
LECTOR		David P	Don T	Judith R
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		Helen D Collette S	Marj N	Sean H Christine U-M Ray M
ALTAR SERVER/S		Joe R	Gene T-F / helper	Leah S / Lalan C
POWERPOINT		Paul D	Gilbert / helper	June S / helper
MARSHAL		Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	Cathy M / Else C

## Next Sunday's Readings

**2nd Sunday Lent (Year C/2)**

**First Reading** *Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18* God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

**Second Reading** *Philippians 3: 17—4: 1* Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 9: 28-36* As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.



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