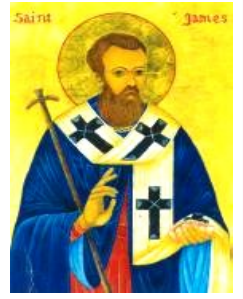


# 2ND SUNDAY LENT YR C 2022 13 MARCH

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



### BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

Like Peter, James and John, we, too, sometimes have mountaintop experiences. It is easy to pray at those times—to praise God or just sit in quiet meditation. In those brief, personal encounters with the divine, our prayers can become deeply private and powerful. However, as this Scripture reminds us, we can't stay on the mountain.

More common are our valley experiences with prayer: times when we are plugged into every distraction around us, and God feels an eternity away. Spiritual masters tell us that those prayers that seem empty and monotonous can be even more valuable than a mountaintop experience.

Those same masters remind us that while alone time with God is valuable, often Christians pray best together. Christians are not theists who believe in a totally personal, one-on-one relationship with God. We are a covenant people who believe that together we are the body of Christ. We believe in the Incarnation—God is with us and in us. We don't have to go to mountaintops or valleys to encounter God, because we find God all around us in everyone we meet.

We find God in other people, in our parish church and in our homes. This is why communal and family prayer is so important. Every Sunday, we gather to pray together with our parish family. And so it should be with our immediate family. Choose a prayer space in your home, and gather on a regular basis. You may be surprised to find how this not-so-quiet family time can provide transfiguring moments when a kitchen or living room can seem like a mountaintop.

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"Our citizenship is in heaven,  
and from it we await a savior."

### Sheepish Question:

God has kept his promise, but how am I doing with mine?

### Pre-Summit

#### Worship Ministry

Now we arrive at week 3 of developing a new vision for our parish of St James. Our parish is taking on the mission of becoming more intentional about building a culture of welcome and growing missionary disciples right here.

We are presenting you six different mission fields over six weekends to ask you for your thoughts and also to ask you to consider where you might be called to contribute your skills and efforts. So far we have contemplated together the ministry of Children and Families, then Youth and Young Adults, and so far the responses from the Parish have been inspiring and generous.

This week we are asking you to contemplate **Worship**. How does the way we celebrate the Mass and other sacraments bring our hearts closer to experiencing the infinite goodness of God? How can our liturgies enhance how we experience the indescribable beauty and wonder and love of our God? We cannot wait to hear your thoughts as we delve further into this journey.

If you do not have the opportunity during Mass, please scan the QR code here to share your response.



How about you,  
what is your dream  
for **Worship** ministry  
here at St James?

## This 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.

**Taking Abram outside**, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can.' 'Such will be your descendants,' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord,' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land,  
from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

**Today's Psalm** *Psalm 26(27): 1, 7-9, 13-14* The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?	O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.'	It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help.	I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!
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**Second Reading** *Philippians 3: 17—4: 1* Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

**My brothers, be united** in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

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

**Jesus took with him** Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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## Project Compassion

Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jharkand State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous

support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way for All Future Generations. **Drop Project Compassion 2022 envelopes in the Collection.**

**You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at each church entrance.**



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



## Prayers

### Please pray for recently deceased:

Barry Hodge; Brian Dwyer; Anton Nguyen; Chris Nanaya; Maureen Morton; John Mulcahy; Judith Smith; Shirley Robinson.

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

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



## 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 reflection will begin at 7.30pm and finish at 8.30pm.** Those who wish to remain for further discussion are welcome to do so.



**Our Lady of Fatima, St James Garden Project,** near our St James Centenary Garden.

Fr Francis has given approval for parishioners and others to support the Donation Appeal for soft flooring around the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The garden volunteers are working towards collecting \$1,600 so that this flooring can be installed. If you would like to make a donation, there are 2 ways of supporting this garden project.

**Via BSB 064786 -**

Account 100005891 -  
Name St James Parish  
- (Reference Our Lady flooring)

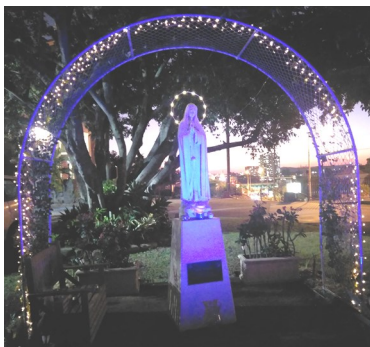
**Or place donation via** envelope in our Priory letterbox (Reference Our Lady flooring)

For more details or photos of the planned outcome, please contact Rosa [rositasa7@gmail.com](mailto:rositasa7@gmail.com)



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

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



**MARCH** 1 March – 22 April Fr F away on annual leave.  
**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 Worship.**  
**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**  
**17 Thursday** 7.30pm Women's Bible Lenten Study  
**19 / 20 Saturday** 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Event-brite); **3rd Sunday Lent** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); **No Baptisms. Parish laity ministry area 4.**  
**22 Tuesday** remember **Augustinians 70 years at St James.**  
**21 Monday** Lenten Prayer Group after 8am mass  
**27 Sunday** 9am mass - **Augustinians 70 years at St James.**

## Parish news

**Alpha 2022** continues on **Wednesday evenings.**

Registration can be done online via [alpha.org/try-alpha](http://alpha.org/try-alpha) or email Doreen Chen [dashiki.c@gmail.com](mailto:dashiki.c@gmail.com)

**Donations dropped to Priory Kitchen or in basket near side entrance.** Time: 6.30pm-9pm [Dinner included].  
**Venue: St James Hall.**



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". Continuing **7.30pm on Thursdays.** Contact Jovi [Jovina.james@gmail.com](mailto:Jovina.james@gmail.com) for details.



St James Parish  
**LENT 2nd Rite of Reconciliation**  
**Monday 4th April** in our Church 7.30pm.



**March 2022 Catholic Leader** (\$4 entrances)

- \*Brisbane Archdiocese welcomes its new auxiliary Bishop Tim Norton.
- \*Turning the sod on the Vietnamese Church Centre at Inala.
- \*80-year-old Dutton Park organist celebrates 50 years as a church musician.
- \*Burleigh parish is enjoying relationship with its multi-cultural communities.
- \*Lenten program resource from Evangelisation Bne

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

## 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>\$728.65</b>	<b>\$205</b>	<b>\$612</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>\$1,545.65</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100005891</b>	<b>\$440.20</b>	<b>\$225</b>	<b>\$512</b>	<b>only</b>	<b>\$1,177.20</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 12 / 13** Anne & Margaret & Sylvia

**March 19 / 20** Karleen & Sandra

Next week	3rd Sunday Lent March 20	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (2nd weekend)	Glenn H	n/a	Canossa Choir	
COMMENTATOR	Helen D	Trish R	Marina Y	
LECTOR	Anne C	Berenice T-F	Pat M	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ron S Anne S	Heather L	Carmel T Pat P Priya	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R	Gene T-F / helper	Leah S /	
POWERPOINT	Cecilia D	Gilbert / helper	June S / helper	
MARSHAL	Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	Cathy M /	

## Next Sunday's Readings

**3rd Sunday Lent (Year C/2)**

**First Reading** *Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15* This is what you must say to the children of Israel: I Am has sent me to you.

**Second Reading** *1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12* All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 13: 1-9* Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

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



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