# 4TH SUNDAY EASTER YR A 2020 2/3 MAY

# The Parish of St James Coorparoo

A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive
Augustinian Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane





Join the parish community on Sundays for our online mass, live streamed thru Facebook Live: stjamescoorparoo.

Time: 8am; Venue: a sacred space, that is, your Home!

THE GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

THE AUGUSTINIANS
WITNESSING TO THE COMMON LIFE



Is God calling you to be an Augustinian?
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A blessed Sunday to each of you!

On this Good Shepherd Sunday and as we continue to wade through further unchartered territory, may the words from the well loved psalm, Psalm 23, encourage us in each of our struggles, "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." These are words that we know by heart, however we are in a critical moment in our faith when we are especially challenged to reasses whether we believe the truth of these words in our hearts.

May the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, who carries us, the lost sheep, on his shoulders, give us confidence to go on our journey. Our pilgrimage as Christians could be summarised as our journey of being conformed to the image of Christ, not just as individuals but as a collective, as a community—as Christ's Church. Let us be more open to this calling, to help each other in this time of need.



On another note, Hazel Yared turned 102 years old this week! It's a wonderful milestone. A blessed BIRTHDAY to HAZEL from your family and us in the parish community!



Also, I'd like to draw your attention to the next page where our April collection is tabled. While we have the COVID19 restrictions, instead of doing the usual weekly counting, the donations that come are now only counted per month.

— Fr Francis, osa

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in Australia:

augustinianvocation.australia

# Augustinian Prayer for Vocations

Let us pray to the Lord of the harvest who calls men and women to serve Him in love: that they may know their vocation and live it.

All glory and praise are yours, God of truth and light of our hearts, for you guide your people in the ways of holiness.

Help those who follow in the footsteps of our Holy Father Augustine to seek you through mutual love and worship and to be servants of your Church as examples that others may follow.

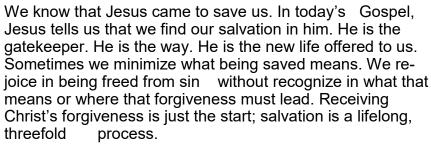
Enlighten men and women to see the beauty of community life in the spirit of our Holy Father Augustine, and strengthen them in your service so that the work You have begun in the fullness of time, may be brought to perfection in the fullness of life. This we ask through Christ, our Lord, in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

# **Bringing Home the Gospel**



# **Calling His Sheep by Name**

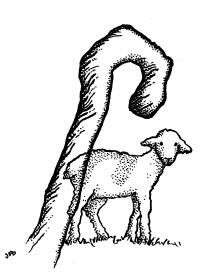
Jesus talks about how the shepherd recognizes his sheep by name. He is the gatekeeper for his sheep. He is the one who leads them out and brings them back in safely. Jesus tells us he is our shepherd, the gatekeeper.



First, being freed from sin means accepting God's forgiveness and love. With that love we can begin to heal from a lifetime of hurts and injustices. We can let go of our fear, our feeling of "being less than," the anguish of feeling alone, or the need to fill our emptiness with things or people. We can accept our limitations and still see our own goodness and gifts.

Second, through this forgiveness and healing we can begin to accept and truly love ourselves and God who is in us. This is what leads us to fullness of life. We do not let others' ideas of who we are limit us. We can become all we were created to be.

Finally, as we live out our goodness and share our gifts, we become more open to the world around us. We begin to see



God everywhere (even in the old grumps at work and the panhandlers on the street). We begin to grow in communion with our Creator, with all people, and all creation. Life can't be bigger than that! This is the abundant life Jesus talked about. Share with your family this paradox: Christ's salvation is the gift of his love, a gift that is received even more abundantly when it is given away.





"The sheep follow [the shepherd], because they recognize his voice."

## Sheepish Question:

What hazards must I be ready for in following the way of Christ?

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## Called to Be Shepherds

[The shepherd] goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. (John 10:4)



- Acts 2:14, 36-41 Peter's discourse
- ▶ 1 Peter 2:20-25 For the slave
- ▶ John 10:1-10 The Good Shepherd



- Adults: How are you a shepherd to those in your care?
- Kids: What will you do this week to show you love those around you?

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Planned Giving for the month of April 2020							
Collection (info back page)	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total		Compare to month of February (pre CV19 restrictions)
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection Augustinian	\$132.50	\$715	\$455	\$230	\$1,532.50		\$5,601.45
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection Parish	\$501.40	\$378	\$394.70	\$190	\$1,464.10		\$4,117.80

## **Prayer Requests**

Parishioners, we rely on you for our prayer list in our bulletin and we pray for these



people during mass also. We do not have an eternal book with names listed; we rely on personal communication each year. If you have a parishioner, family member or friend who is ill, has recently died, or their anniversary is around this time, please let us know, so these people can be prayed for and remembered...

## Please pray for recently deceased:

Gabrielle Coote; Colin Arndt; Sister Regis Mary rsm; Trevor Swifte; Allan Yared.

And these anniversaries: Marie Sheehan; Nancy Ries; Vic Cush; Keith Killin; Mary-Anne Dungan; Carmel Sheehan.

Please pray for these unwell: Meighan Harris-O'Reilly; Sylvia Wilson; Jocelyn Tibayan, Judy Ketter; Veron Forsyth; Peter & Stephen Darch; Tina Romano; Fr Ron Mollison; Greg Whitney; Tess Walsh; Rodrigo Urbano.



## Parish news

Date claimer:

World Day of Prayer in 2021:

St James will be the next host parish





Just a reminder, the Good Friday Appeal for the Holy Places, normally taken on Good Friday, has been transferred to September 13th, 2020. We will be in touch with you later in the year with further information.



As Archbishop Mark Coleridge has reminded us, 'If our doors are closed, let our hearts be open'. Have you any suggestions for us? Please call our office phone 3397 1671 or email

osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au

Here are some suggestions—what do you think?

- Online Zoom 'lounge' hosted once a week whereby people can just connect in a talk and share with others how they are going.
- Small groups developed within parishes whereby groups of people are connected via Zoom and can check in on each other and pray together once a week.
- Developing care packages that can be dropped to those in crisis.

### 7 May - World Password Day

Security researcher Mark Burnett's idea of a "password day" when people update important passwords is now celebrated on the first Thursday of May. It's a great time to learn about strong passwords.



multi-factor authentication and password managers. Visit Office for Social Justice website for useful links. https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/

Could people of parents 70-100yrs let us know that the emails for parish bulletins are getting through please? Otherwise we are happy to post or letterbox drop the bulletin to this special group...



## Today's Readings 4th Sunday Easter:

First Reading Acts 2:

14, 36-41 God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ. Second Reading 1 Peter 2: 20-25 You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Reading John 10: 1-10 I am the gate of the sheepfold.

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

## **Updates & Resources:**

See this tab on our website page also...

- \* ways to stay connected and reach out to vulnerable people in your community here.
- how to live stream Masses from ArchBne here.
- how to access two minute homilies ArchBne here.
- **Maintaining Social Connection while Maintaining Social Distance** – A reflection from Paul Jensen, Director Mission and Formation at Centacare. here.
- The Australian Government and BEYOND BLUE Coronavirus Mental Wellbeing Support Service and wellbeing service here.

## Parish news

The Journey is a weekly program developed by the

Catholic Diocese of Wollongong and is the only Catholic radio program in Australia aired on general Christian radio. Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.



Australian musician Gary Pinto will lead a free online concert May 9th for Caritas Australia's Project Compassion campaign, bringing Australian and international musicians direct from their homes to yours. Pinto is urging thousands of school children, teachers. churches and families to stand in solidarity with those most vulnerable to COVID-19 globally for Project Compassion.



lent.caritas.org.au or call 1800 024 413.

## Archdiocese news

**ENCOUNTER** SONGWRITING MASTERCLASS (ONLINE)

A four-part songwriting masterclass series facilitated by Emma Fradd (Music Director, Encounter Youth) The Encounter Songwriting Masterclass aims to develop the songwriting talents in Catholic musicians aged 16yrs and over in the Archdiocese of Brisbane, in hopes of creating new music that is good and beautiful for the purpose of accompanying: Liturgy; Upbeat pump up songs for youth group/rallies; Reflective worship songs for prayer/adoration; Mass Setting. It's a four week series in May on Tuesday nights: May 5th Tuesday 6-7pm Lesson one: Jingles; May 12th Tuesday 6-7pm Lesson two: 6 tips for solo songwriting; May 19th Tuesday 6-7pm Lesson three: Lyrics; May 26th Tuesday 6-7pm Lesson four: Writing with others

**Time:** 6pm – 7pm **Location:** Online via Zoom (register to receive the link) RSVP: via Eventbrite.

An initiative of Evangelisation Brisbane.

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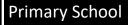
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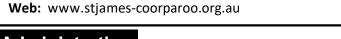
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## **Several Options to Financially Support Your Parish:**

 Thru Direct Debit (this is the recommended option). Kindly complete the "Direct Debit Request - Offertory Giving" form, and drop the completed form in the Priory Letterbox, or scan it (or take a picture of it) and send it via email to the parish office. This direct debit request gives you to option to nominate your donation to the Augustinians and/or the Parish. We will then submit your form to ADF for processing. (If you're receiving this by email, you may click on the link and access the form; if you're receiving this by post, the form is available on our parish website).

With the Direct Debit method, one has the liberty to decide on the amount to be donated as well as the frequency of this (weekly, fortnightly or monthly). This donation method mirrors our Sunday collection: 1st Collection (Augustinian Order) and/or 2nd Collection (for the upkeep of St James Parish).

Thru processing your own transfer using your bank account app or website.

1st Collection: Augustinian Order 2nd Collection: St James Parish Account Name: Augustinian Priory Account Name: St James Parish BSB: 064 786 BSB: 064 786 Account #: 006160102 Account #: 006161103 Reference: (Surname, & First Name if first name fits too) Reference: (Surname, & First Name if first name fits too)

- Thru the Planned-Giving envelopes which you already have. You may drop them off at any time in the letterbox at the top of St James Priory steps.
- You may mail in a cheque at any time. Please indicate if it's going towards **ST JAMES PARISH** and/or **the AUGUSTINIAN ORDER**.

**5th Sunday Easter: First Reading** *Acts 6: 1-7* They elected seven men Next Sunday's Readings: filled with the Spirit and wisdom.

Second Reading 1 Peter 2: 4-9 You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.

Gospel Reading John 14: 1-12 I am the way, the truth, and the life.

For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website (look for the Prayer tab). www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings.

