6TH SUNDAY
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25 / 26 MAYThe Parish of St James
Coorparoo.
A Vibrant, Prayerful,
Inclusive and Augustinian
Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane

View From The Pews

My dear friends, I share this reflection with you today to answer a question often asked of me... Who and what are the **Friends of St Augustine** in the parish of **St James**?

As the Leader of FOSA in Coorparoo, it would be a pleasure to tell you more about the life and spirituality of St Augustine. "United in mind and heart on the way to God."

(Quoted from Christians in the World by T.J. Van Bavel OSA)

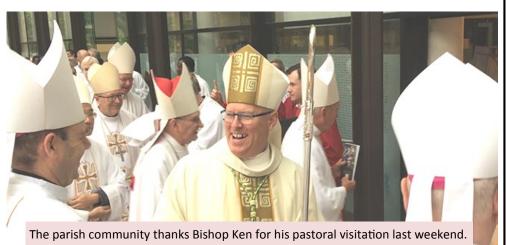
A superficial reading of the Confessions can give the impression that Augustine was an introvert, forever busy with self-analysis. The reality is very different. One is surprised to learn that this man was scarcely ever alone. He was surrounded by other people. It is impossible to imagine Augustine without friends, without friendship. His speech was learned from the chatter of nurses, his jesting stimulated by laughing faces, and his vitality borrowed from his playmates. A friendship might cost him half his soul, and it was only through friendship that his wounds could be healed. He himself admitted that he could not possibly be happy without friends.

For him, friendship was always the deepest emotion of his being, In this, the passage of time left Augustine unchanged. He was seldom alone with his own thoughts. He was always talking, discussing things with his friends. Of all his works, there is none that does not constitute either a direct or indirect answer to questions addressed to him by someone else, whether we deal with a conversation, a sermon, a letter, a pamphlet, or what we would call today a book. This is probably due to the congenital solidarity of Africans, and the reason why Augustine's work is so filled with reflections on companionship and friendship.

He begins with the assumption that man is a social being. 'Every single person is a part of the whole humanity and gregarious by nature...For this reason God decided to

create all mankind from a single man; he not only desired the projected community to be united by the equality of human nature but also by family relationship.' This social mode of existence culminates in love, without which the world would be nothing but a desert.

Fraternally, from Ray.



L'ELE PARTIE

Today's Readings First Reading Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you. Second Reading

Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23 He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven. Gospel Reading John 14: 23-29 The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. 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: Adriana Ariza Ariza; Peter Grealy; Rodolfo Estella; Fernan de la Victoria; Irish Rago.

And these anniversaries: Peter Dang Dinh; Albert Bowler; Giacomo & Robert Romano; Mavis Manning.

Please pray for these unwell: Nancy & Kerry McLaughlin; Leanne Hendrix; Graham Clinch; Michael & Kathleen Simpson; Tina Romano; Steven McSwan.

Please give prayers and welcome to these baptismal children: Violet Williamson.

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 26: National Sorry Day.

1997: tabling of Bringing Them Home report in Parliament 2017: Uluru Statement from the Heart by Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander leaders.

Monday 27: Beginning of National Reconciliation Week. 1967: referendum to change Australian Constitution that discriminated against Indigenous People.

Wednesday 29: 1992: launch Torres Strait Islander flag

Prayer to end domestic and family violence

We pray today for those members of our community whose lives are impacted by domestic and family violence.

Protect vulnerable families whose lives are impacted by violence.

Help us to understand their experiences and support them in this time of need.

Care for those people working with victims of domestic and family violence, that their good work may continue and their wellbeing be supported.

May we shape our young people to value one another, so that they may have respectful and safe relationships into the future.

God of healing, hear our prayer.

Amen.

Domestic and family violence defines the story of too many members of our community

Torres Strait

For more information and to see how you can help visit www.centacarebrisbane.net.au/domestic-violence

Youth & Young Adults

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Mass – every 4th Sunday of the month 6pm. Details phone 0413 762 544

Preparation for Sacrament of First Holy Communion continues: Mondays June 3rd and June 10th at 6pm in the church for children sessions. Sunday June 16th at 9am mass, we will have First Holy Communion for this group of children. Finally, Sunday June 23rd 9am mass and 10am for

celebration and children activities in the 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, <u>osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au</u>. More details coming soon!

| Planned Giving for the Week ending 19th May (Week 3) | | | | | | | |
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| Collection | Loose money [not pledged] | Envelopes [pledged] | Direct Debit | Credit card | Total | | |
| 1 st Collection Augustinian | \$1,257.30 | \$463.50 | \$50 | Week 4 | \$1,770.80 | | |
| 2 nd Collection Parish | \$925.15 | \$480.70 | \$30 | only | \$1,435.85 | | |





27 May National Reconciliation Week is a

time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships

between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and



OUR **VOLUNTEERS** ARE AT THE **HEART** OF EVERYTHING WE DO

thankyou

THANKING OUR VOLUNTEERS - 2019 (May 20-26) OUR Archdiocese has one of the largest numbers of volunteer groups throughout the state—around 8,000 and counting. A thankyou postcard to you can be found on all our pews. There are many people who are paid, and rightly so, for their work in the church and in the social services sector. But it's our volunteers who are at the heart of everything we do - who make the church, and community go round. As we prepare to celebrate National Volunteer Week, thanks to all the volunteers who are the heart and soul of what we do. Whether it be in parishes or prisons, hospitals, courts or respite and drop-in centres, without you we couldn't do or be what Jesus Christ calls us to do and be.

Most Rev Mark Coleridge ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

St James Parish Coorparoo Annual General Meeting Sunday 23rd June 2019 after 9am mass – to be held in the church. All parishioners are very welcome.

TERM 2 COMMUNITY MA\$\$ this weekend 9am ma\$\$. Fr Saldie will be celebrating this occasion and afterwards, we will have a sausage sizzle and drink at the Hall.

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 via bpbriggs@hotmail.com or stjpandf@gmail.com.

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

Warm Clothes for Homeless People – if you wish to donate any warm clothes, please place in baskets at the front and side door of the Church. These will be taken directly to Blind Eye "Drop-in" Day Centre for the homeless in South Brisbane. Blind Eye Ministry is a Catholic "grass roots" ministry caring for vulnerable and needy people. Thank you.

St Vincent de Paul Society QUEENSLAND

WINTER APPEAL "YOU CAN HELP"

QUEENSLAND This winter thousands of Australians will struggle to make ends meet. After paying for food, some cannot even afford to leave the house and face days of complete isolation. Your donation will help provide food, housing and support to people in need. Please donate to the Vinnies 2019 Winter Appeal and HELP END THE PAIN OF POVERTY. Envelopes have been placed on the seats for this purpose.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. TOGETHER WE CAN DO HEROIC THINGS



 * Deacons Josh Whitehead and Brendan Gormley sit down and discuss their spiritual journeys before ordination to the priesthood this month.
* Re-elected government faces

three million Aussies on struggle street, St V de Paul Society says. * American journalist and New York Times best-selling author Rod Dreher shares why Brisbane Catholics could expect a non-Christian society in the future.

Deanery news

June 8th Saturday B E D Trivia Night at the Sts Peter and Paul's Parish Hall at Bulimba July 2nd Tuesday 6.30pm St Thomas

Brisbane East Deanery Scripture Study Group (8 weeks) OR July 3rd Wednesday 10.30am Our Lady of Graces Carina Brisbane East Deanery Scripture Study Group (8 weeks)

July 24th Wednesday Bne East Deanery meeting at Our Lady of Graces, Carina August 11th Sunday 1pm – 4pm Circles of Life Qld, Brisbane Women's forum at Lourdes Hill College.

September 6th – 8th St Thomas' Camp Hill 90th Anniversary St Thomas' School

Other news of interest

St James Parishioners, (see noticeboard)



It is with enormous pleasure the Augustinians invite you to the Solemn Profession of Br Peter Tuan Anh Le OSA on Sunday 30th June 2019 at the 6pm Parish Mass – St Kieran's Church Manly Vale.



23rd JUNE

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June 1 / 2 Lenore & Brendon

Administration

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| Pastoral Care | Parish Office | 3397 1671 |
| Safeguarding Officer | Kate Pearson | capearson@optusnet.com.au |
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May 25 / 26 Sylvia & *

Counters

| NEXT WEEK June 1 / 2 | SATURDAY 6 PM | SUNDAY 7AM | SUNDAY 9AM | SUNDAY 6PM |
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| COMMENTATOR | B. SMITH | G. TRIGGS-FULTON | J. SPENCER | B. SCHLECHT |
| LECTOR | H. DEAKIN | D. TALLON | A. EGERT | P. DAVEY |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | S. PHILLIPS P. DEVLIN * | YEN MAI VU B. TRIGGS-FULTON * | O. PRINGLE Y. NGUYEN R. MITCHELL | R. UMALI C. UMALI * |
| HOSPITALITY | T. KILLIN M. CHAPMAN | L. DOWNEY | * | * |
| ALTAR SERVERS | DENEB | OLIVER, GENE | * | JOHN, RODEL, RAMIL, ALYSSA, KLARIS |
| POWERPOINT | MARGARET | GENE, GILBERT | DI, OLIVER, JUNE | SYDEL |

Mass Times WEEKEND: <u>Saturday</u> 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.

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NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 2nd June 2019 — 9am mass.

Next Sunday's Readings First Reading Acts 1: 1-11 Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven. Second Reading Ephesians 1: 17-23 He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven. Gospel Reading Luke 24: 46-53 While blessing them he was taken to heaven.

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