

**BODY & BLOOD
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22 / 23 JUNE**



The Parish of St James
Coorparoo.
A Vibrant, Prayerful,
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Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane



The Real Presence

(a reflection by Ron Rolheiser, OMI)

When I was a graduate student in Belgium, I was privileged one day to sit in on a conference given by Cardinal Godfried Danneels of Brussels. He was commenting on the Eucharist and our lack of understanding of its full richness when he highlighted this contrast: If you stood outside of a Roman Catholic church today as people were coming out of the church and asked them: "Was that a good Eucharist?", most everyone would answer on the basis of the homily and the music. If the homily was interesting and the music lively, most people would answer that it had been a good Eucharist. Now, he continued, if you had stood outside a Roman Catholic church sixty or seventy years ago and asked: "Was that a good mass today?" nobody would have even understood the question. They would have answered something to the effect of: "Aren't they all the same!"

Today our understanding of the Eucharist, in Roman Catholic circles and indeed in most Protestant and Anglican circles, is very much concentrated on three things: the liturgy of the Word, the music, and communion. Moreover, in Roman Catholic churches, we speak of the real presence only in reference to the last element, the presence of Christ in the bread and wine.

While none of this is wrong, the liturgy of the word, the music, and communion are important, something is missing in this understanding. It misses the fact that the real presence is not just in the bread and wine, it is also in the liturgy of the Word and in the salvific event that is recalled in the Eucharistic prayer, namely, the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Most churchgoers already recognize that when the scriptures are celebrated in a liturgical service God's presence is made special, more physically tangible, than God's normal presence everywhere or God's presence inside our private prayer. The Word of God, when celebrated in a church is, like Christ's presence in the consecrated bread and wine, also the real presence.

But there's a further element that's less understood: The Eucharist doesn't just make a person present; it also makes an event present. We participate in the Eucharist not just to receive Christ in communion, but also to participate in the major salvific event of his life, his death and resurrection.

What's at issue here?

At the Last Supper, Jesus invited his followers to continue to meet and celebrate the Eucharist "in memory of me". But his use of the word "memory" and our use of that word are very different. For us "memory" is a weaker word. It simply means calling something to mind, remembering an event like the birth of your child, your wedding day, or the game when your favorite sports team finally won the championship. That's a simple remembering, a passing recollection. It can stir deep feelings but it does nothing more. Whereas in the Hebrew concept out of which Jesus was speaking, memory, making ritual remembrance of something, implied much more than simply recalling something. To remember something was not simply to nostalgically recall it. Rather it meant to recall and ritually re-enact it so as to make it present again in a real way.

For example, that's how the Passover Supper is understood within Judaism. The Passover meal recalls the Exodus from Egypt and the miraculous passing through the Red Sea into freedom. The idea is that one generation, led by Moses, did this historically, but that by re-enacting that event ritually, in the Passover Meal, the event is made present again, in a real way, for those at table to experience.

The Eucharist is the same, except that the saving event we re-enact so as to remake it present through ritual is the death and resurrection of Jesus, the new Exodus. Our Christian belief here is exactly the same as that of our Jewish brothers and sisters, namely, that we are not just remembering an event, we are actually making it present to participate in. The Eucharist, parallel to a Jewish Passover meal, remakes present the central saving event in Christian history, namely, Jesus' Passover from death to life in the Paschal mystery. And just as the consecrated bread and wine give us the real presence of Christ, the Eucharist also gives us the real presence of the central saving event in our history, Jesus' passage from death to life.

Thus at a Eucharist, there are, in effect, three real presences: Christ is really present in the Word, namely, the scriptures, the preaching, and the music. Christ is really present in the consecrated bread and wine; they are his body and blood. And Christ is really present in a saving event: Jesus' sacrificial passing from death to life.

And so we go to Eucharist not just to be brought into community by Jesus' word and to receive Jesus in communion, we go there too to enter into the saving event of his death and resurrection. The real presence is in both a person and in an event.

Today's Readings

First Reading *Genesis 14: 18-20* Melchizedek brought bread and wine. **Second Reading** *1 Corinthians 11: 23-26* Every

time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.

Gospel Reading *Luke 9: 11-17* They all ate and were filled. **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: Antoinette Ryan; Dennis O'Driscoll; Elizabeth Shay; Ilo Woods; Claire Cummings.

And these anniversaries: Mary Tallon; Peter Dang Dinh; Margaret Lennane; Kathleen Dwyer; Alic Thomas.

Please pray for these unwell: James & Selena Clifford; Margaret Osborne; Tina Romano; Jan Evans; Leanne Hendrix; Michael & Kathleen Simpson; Steven McSwan.

Please give prayers and welcome to these baptismal children: Abigail Toomey; Hope Wight.



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

Social Justice

SIGNIFICANT DATES — JUNE:



Sunday 23: International Widow's Day.

Public Service Day.

Tuesday 25: Day of the Seafarer.

Wednesday 26: International Day in Support of Victims of Torture.

International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

Friday 28: Sacred Heart of Jesus.

26 June International Day in Support of Victims of Torture

Torture remains unacceptable and unjustified at all times, including during states of emergency, political instability, or even in a war. On this day, let us also pay tribute to all those who stand in solidarity with victims and their families - and reaffirm our commitment to ending this abominable and useless practice.

(UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres)

Torture seeks to annihilate the victim's personality and denies the inherent dignity of the human being. Despite absolute prohibition of torture under international law, it persists. (www.un.org/torture)

Parish news

St James Parish Coorparoo (date claimer for Term 3)... Children who are 8 years and in Year 3 or older, (and who have been baptised), are invited to prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact

our Parish Office to register your interest and come along to the Information session being held on **Monday 29th July (6pm in St James church which will outline the process for this preparation phase)**. Phone 3397 1671 / email osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au. All relevant information will be provided at this session, including Family session dates and Practice date. **Confirmation Ceremony on Thursday September 19th (6-7pm St James Church).**



Congratulations to Thomas Steel who has celebrated Sacrament of First Holy Communion here at St James Parish.



Yearly donation envelopes that support our parish and the Augustinians are available at the side entrance to the church. Please collect when you are able (and sign sheet to note you have taken them home). If you know of a parishioner who has moved from our parish, please call 33971671 to let us know. If you would like to use yearly donation envelopes, there will be spare envelopes available (but please let Trish know). Other methods of supporting the parish and our Augustinians are through bank direct deposit, or credit card donation.

Planned Giving for the Week ending 16 June (Week 3)

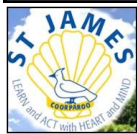
Collection	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
1 st Collection Augustinian	\$1,031.80	\$343	\$50	Week 4	\$1,424.80
2 nd Collection Parish	\$499.95	\$347	\$30	Only	\$876.95



WINTER APPEAL... "YOU CAN HELP"

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 and at church entrances. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

TOGETHER WE CAN DO HEROIC THINGS...



Upcoming date-claimer from St James School...The St James Feast Day and Fete will be held on Sunday 28th July. This is an important event in our school faith life and we would like to see as many families attend this Mass prior to the commencement of the Fete. Mass commences at 9am and will be celebrated by Fr Francis.

Peter's Pence collection **6 and 7 July 2019** (14th Sunday of Ordinary Time). Collection will be at the end of mass (at the doors). The Peter's Pence Collection gives Catholics in Australia an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in **support of the charitable works of the Holy See.**



- ⇒ the Peter's Pence Collection is an annual collection of the Catholic Church around the world
- ⇒ the collection allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world,
- ⇒ to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters.

Deanery news

The Deanery Scripture Study Course will begin on July 2nd / 3rd and will run for 8 weeks.

Evening sessions are on Tuesdays 6.30pm at St. Thomas' Church Camp Hill

Morning Sessions are on Wednesdays 10.30am at Our Lady of Graces Church Carina

The Course 'UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE' presented by Jeff Cavins shows how the Sacraments, the Church and our entire Catholic Faith are rooted in Scripture and Tradition; how the Old Testament and the New Testament are connected; how the Bible relates to everyday life.

Sign-up sheets are at both entrances to the church. Louise Simento's details there, or enquire about Deanery Scripture Study Group DSSG at stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au

REFUGEE RIGHTS ... Who Cares?

If you care, come and listen to Rebecca Lim (well-known, Brisbane-based migration and community engagement practitioner with post-graduate degrees in Social Science and Australian migration law)

Saturday 22nd June, 3.30pm-5.30pm Sts Peter and Paul Parish Hall, 25 Main Avenue, Bulimba

Rebecca will be the guest speaker for the afternoon presentation - end of National Refugee Week, 16-22 June

Archdiocese news

Annual prayer gathering of the Light of Jesus Family

Queensland called the Grand Feast... "Limitless" from Ephesians 3:16 ... "I pray that from His glorious, unlimited resources He will empower you with inner strength through His Spirit....". This will be held on the **6th of July 2019 from 4.00pm** at Springlife Conference Centre located at 178 Springwood Road, Springwood 4127. It will start with the Holy Mass followed by a joyful and powerful worship and culminating with inspirational talks by our leader and founder, Bo Sanchez and International Feast Builder, Vic Espanol, from Manila, Philippines. This is open to everyone regardless of cultural and religious affiliations.

Admission is FREE. The Light of Jesus Family Queensland is a Catholic Lay Community and we are one with the church in our mission of "Loving God, Loving People and Making Disciples". The Grand Feast and the small Feasts is our way of reaching out to the unchurched to come back to our Father through His limitless mercy and grace. For more information about our community, please visit our Facebook page "LOJF Feasts Queensland" or visit www.feast.ph or www.lightfam.com.



The Legion Of Mary is a lay Catholic organisation whose members are giving service to the church on a voluntary basis in almost every country. The Legion was founded by Frank Duff on 7 September, 1921 in Dublin. His idea was to help Catholic laypeople fulfill their baptismal promises and be able to live their dedication to the Church in an organised structure, supported by fraternity and prayer. The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of each individual. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in their homes and in hospitals and through collaboration in every apostolic and missionary undertaking by the parish. Every legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary. Seeking expressions of interest in establishing a Legion of Mary praesidium at St. James Parish under the title 'Gate of Heaven'. For enquires, you may message or call 0473 208 086.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:



National Theme for Discernment #1

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Missionary and Evangelising?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church.

10th Anniversary of the Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Relay for the Sanctification of Priests

Friday 28 June 2019

Country: Australia

Time: 11.00 Local Time

Lead Location: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Brisbane

Mysteries: Joyful

Pray the Rosary, unite with your country and help encircle the world in prayer



The Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Relay for Priests 2019 - organised and coordinated by Worldpriest. For further information and a full list of participating prayer locations and times, visit our Website: www.worldpriest.com. Email: info.worldpriest@gmail.com

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Counters

June 22 / 23 Lorie & Lea

June 29 / 30 Greg & Kate

NEXT WEEK June 29 / 30	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	S. PHILLIPS	G. TRIGGS-FULTON	M. DEVINE	C. MANALAC
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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 5th July 2019.

NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 12th July 2019, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 7th July 2019 — 9am mass.

Next Sunday's Readings

First Reading 1 Kings 19: 16, 19-21 Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant. **Second Reading** Galatians 5: 1, 13-18 My brothers, you were called to freedom. **Gospel Reading** Luke 9: 51-62 Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you will go. **For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website (look for the Prayer tab). www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays**