3RD SUNDAY EASTER YR A 2023 23 APRIL

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IS A PARISH OF ACCOMPANIMENT WHERE WE ENCOUNTER AND KNOW CHRIST, DEEPEN OUR FAITH, AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY



FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each family member to name one quality

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Experts tell us we all need at least 20-30 minutes of quiet time to let go of tensions when

we come home from work or school. Do you

think this is a good idea for your household? How can you arrange it? What do you want

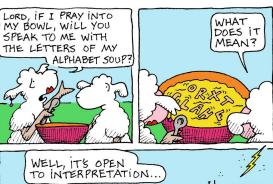
to remember from last week? What are you

looking forward to next week? What are your

of Jesus they see in each of the other family

lesus in Our Midst

The story of disciples who encounter Jesus on their walk to Emmaus is found only in Luke, but it offers us an important insight into what the Eucharist is about. The story takes place three days after Jesus was crucified. Two of his followers are returning home, feeling dejected. Jesus joins them, but they don't recognize him until he sits down with them at table and breaks bread with them.





"Their eyes were opened and they recognized him."

Sheepish Question:

As I follow Jesus today, where do I look and listen for him?

easy to talk about the Jesus we find in Scripture, or the glorified Christ who sits at the right hand of the Father. It is often easier to believe in the miracle worker and King of Kings than to see Christ in the face of a stranger or beggar. It is sometimes even more difficult to see Jesus in the people we walk with every day—the people in our own homes.

Here's my updated replay of the walk to Emmaus. A woman (or man) comes home from work tired and discouraged. After a half hour of breathing space (we all need time to disengage), she sits down and shares her day with her husband or offspring. The listener becomes the storyteller as he shares his day. Each person is gently affirmed. Finally, they all sit down together at table, and as they tear into a pizza they smile at each other as they recognize the look of Christ in the face across from them.

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The walk to Emmaus is one of my favorite Gospel stories. Two ordinary folks, disciples of Jesus, are walking home. They are sad and discouraged. Everything has gone wrong: All they had hoped for was gone. Jesus joins them, but they don't recognize him. They begin to share what had happened back in Jerusalem and Jesus reminds them of the Scripture readings that foresaw such happenings. During the walk, they do

not recognize Jesus. It is at table, in the breaking of the bread, that their

eyes are opened.

I think one of the reasons I like this story is that it is such a clear reminder that Christ is in our midst. It is

ANZAC Day DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF ALL WHO DIED FOR AUSTRALIA 8am Mass Tuesday after the parade.

concerns?

Social Justice

Homeless Connect is a one-day event which provides free services to people experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness. The next event will be held on Thursday 18 May 2023

at Brisbane Showgrounds, Bowen Hills (corner of Alexandria Street and Gregory Terrace). Donations in the white baskets at church entrances till 2nd May will be gratefully received... Canned

tuna and salmon—Rice and pasta—Body wash, shampoo, conditioner—Canned soup and vegetables—Toothbrushes, toothpaste and deodorant—Shaving blades and cream—coffee and tea; cereal and muesli bars; long-life milk.



For further information, scan the QR code or visit brisbane.qld.gov.au and search 'Homeless Connect'.

This Sunday's Readings

3rd Sunday Easter (Year A/1)

First Reading Acts 2: 14, 22-23 It was impossible for him to be held power of Hades. On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.

So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy; my body, too, will rest in the hope

that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.

You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

Psalm 15(16):1-2,5,7-11 Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge	I will bless the Lord who gives me	And so my heart rejoices, my	You will show me the path of
in you.	counsel,	soul is glad;	life,
I say to the Lord: 'You are my	who even at night directs my	even my body shall rest in	the fullness of joy in your
God. O Lord, it is you who are	heart.	safety. For you will not leave my	presence,
my portion and cup;	I keep the Lord ever in my sight:	soul among the dead,	at your right hand happiness
it is you yourself who are my	since he is at my right hand, I	nor let your beloved know	for ever.
prize.'	shall stand firm.	decay.	

Second Reading 1 Peter 1: 17-21 The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ. If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done. you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in

Gospel Reading Luke 24: 13-35 They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took



the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

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Call to Ministry with the reintroduction of the chalice at Sunday masses, we are asking for Safeguarding Communion Ministers. Please make contact with our parish office or your mass co-ordinator with your expression of interest. A training session will be planned shortly. Please note—aside from normal safeguarding requirements, no specific requirements such as bluecard or police check is needed.

Safeguarding Some parishioners have recently volunteered as Adult Altar Servers. This is a reminder to please register through the volunteer portal https://welcome.brisbanecatholic.org.au/

If you have already done this, but need to follow up on your bluecard application, please do so as soon as possible. Helen Cole bm.stjames@bne.catholic.net.au or call 38473696

Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased:

Fr Laurie Mooney OSA; Mary-Rita



Deakin; Daniel Canavan.

And these anniversaries: Quentin Olave; Eulogio Diaz; Carmel Sheehan; Tess Walsh.

Please pray for these unwell: Laurie Sheehan; Frank O'Dea; Maylene Nator; Robbie Haley; Fr Kevin Tu'itti; David & Kerry See; John Canavan; Miriam Martin; Rosalie Pascual; Aoife Stephenson; Michael & Mary-Clare Simpson; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan.

Please pray for these Baptismal children

Benjamin Calcino; Millie Unsworth.

Parish news We will reintroduce the reception of

communion from the chalice. Weekend mass co-ordinators, please assist us to find ministry volunteers who are ready to become a Communion Minister.



We welcome new ministry volunteers:)

Volunteers, you can also email us

osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au If you already volunteer in another ministry and are happy to assist with reception of communion from the chalice, we will add you to our roster. We will ensure that your ministries do not clash. The re-introduction of reception of communion from the chalice will begin sometime in May, when our rosters for additional ministers have been organised.





Our parish has not done a census update (for parish database) for several years. Our Welcome to St James Parish pamphlet was given to you over Easter and is available still at the church entrances. Please take it home with you and return to the box at the church door. There's also a

QR code so you can give us your details electronically.



Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Two: Reshaping Parish Communities

"Our current structures are based upon the facts of an earlier time and our current mode of provision is unsustainable. In the cities at least we have too many parishes and too many churches. Urban parishes were established on the assumption that people had to be able to walk to church and at a time when the numbers attending Mass were much larger. Many of our parishes are pressed financially and cannot provide the range of services which a missionary Church requires. Therefore, we need - sensibly and over time - to move towards larger configurations of a community of communities where the concentration of personnel and the sharing of resources would allow a greater range of services for the sake of the Gospel.





24 Monday Family Session 1 6pm in the church for Sacrament of Reconciliation children

25 ANZAC Day 8am Mass after the parade

27 Thursday St V de P meeting 6.30pm

29 / 30 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; 4th Sunday Easter (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms. 30 Sunday Sacrament of Reconciliation children 9am mass **MAY 2023**

1 LABOUR Day

2 Tuesday Family Session 2 6pm in the church for Sacrament of Reconciliation children

Tuesdays Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration after 8am mass: (8.30am till Wednesday 8am)



Parish Multicultural and Family Mass - 9am 28th May Pentecost Sunda



FRIENDS OF ST AUGUSTINE NATIONAL LAY CONGRESS (SEE CHURCH DOORS FOR INFORMATION)

7-9 July 2023 Brisbane "Walking Together". Join us to explore what it means to be a member of the Church of the third millennium. Venue: Villanova College 24 Sixth Avenue Coorparoo, Brisbane. Information email or register: laycongress2023@gmail.com



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1 st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100019791	\$928.90	\$105	\$5,457	\$175	\$6,665.90		
2 nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100018086	\$524.40	\$105	\$5,407	\$175	\$6,211.40		

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April 22 / 23 Lenore + Brendon

April 29 / 30 Paul & Cecilia

Next week 4th Sunday Easter April 30	CATURDAY COM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (5th weekend)	Carina Choir	n/a	Chris L
COMMENTATOR	David P	John D	Amor McC
LECTOR	Karleen O'R	Bryan M	Ray M
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Helen D Priya	Jan L	John W June S
ALTAR SERVER/S	Edward / helper	Brendon / helper	Lea S + Alejandra
POWERPOINT	Cecilia D	Gilbert / helper	
WELCOMERS	Karen +	Trish R +	Cathy / John / Veronica / Melissa / Lilly /

Masses & Services

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday 8am; Vigil 6pm.

Sunday 7am, 9am, no longer 6pm. WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8am.

WEEKDAY MASS: Friday 9am.

RECONCILIATION: <u>Saturday</u> 4.30—5.30pm.

PERPETUAL ADORATION: (Tuesdays 8.30am till Wednesday 8am) Vicky brisbane.adoration@gmail.com

HEALING + ANOINTING MASS: Friday 5th May @ 9am. FIRST FRIDAY ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 5th May @ 7pm.

PRAYER MEETING: Every Friday (Except 1st Friday of the month) @ 7.10 pm (Rosary), 7.30 pm

(Praise & Worship followed by Message)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: continues weekly @ 9am mass.

families.stiames@gmail.com Just a reminder that the school playground is out of bounds outside school hours. Children should be under parent supervision and remain in line of sight at all times.

Next Sunday's Readings 4th Sunday Easter (Year A/1)

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.

www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings



