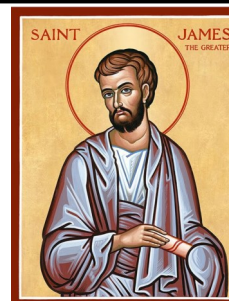


**4TH SUNDAY
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**ST JAMES PARISH
COORPAROO**
IS A PARISH OF ACCOMPANIMENT
WHERE WE ENCOUNTER AND
KNOW CHRIST, DEEPEN OUR FAITH,
AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY



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.

**BRINGING
HOME THE
GOSPEL**

We know that Jesus came to save us. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we find our salvation in him. He is the gatekeeper. He is the way. He is the new life offered to us. Sometimes we minimize what being saved means. We rejoice in being freed from sin without recognizing what that means or where that forgiveness must lead. Receiving Christ's forgiveness is just the start; salvation is a lifelong, threefold process.

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 anger, 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.

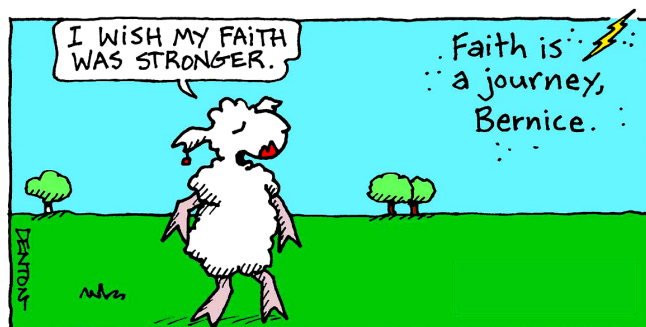
Second, through this forgiveness and healing we can begin to accept and truly love ourselves and God who is in us. This is what leads us to fullness of life. We do not let others' ideas of who we are limit us. We can become all we were created to be.

Finally, as we live out our goodness and share our gifts, we be-

come more open to the world around us. We begin to see God every-

where (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.



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"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?

FAMILY RESPONSE

Here's another chance to affirm each other—ask family members to decide on an occupation they think other family members might be good at. Make sure they give their reasons.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Is there someone you have difficulty forgiving? Where are you in the threefold process of forgiveness? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

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Social Justice

Last chance to donate before 2nd May... 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. **Donations in the white baskets at church entrances till Tuesday 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 4th Sunday Easter (Year A/1)

First Reading Acts 2: 14, 36-41 *God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Psalm 22(23) *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.	He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.	You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.	Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.
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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.*

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep 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.*

Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.



All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:
he will go freely in and out
and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come
so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

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IN-SERVICE FOR Communion Ministers

Call to Ministry: with the reintroduction of the chalice at Sunday masses, **Fr Francis will meet with interested weekend**

mass ministers. You may already volunteer or you may be wanting to know more. Come along—bring a friend. Meet with Fr Francis Sunday 7th May 10.30am (parish hall) for an in-service gathering. Cuppa provided. 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.

The Parish of St James acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the country upon which it lies and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and culture and pays respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased:

Fr Laurie Mooney OSA; Mary-Rita



Deakin; Daniel Canavan.

And these anniversaries: Mary-Anne Dungan; Quentin Olave; Eulogio Diaz; Carmel Sheehan.

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 Tibanay.



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)

5 Friday @ 9am Anointing Healing mass

6 / 7 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; 5th Sunday Easter (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); **No Baptisms.**

7 Sunday Sacrament of Reconciliation children 9am mass

7 Sunday 10.30am Baptismal Preparation morning in church.

8 Monday Family Session 3 @ 6pm in the church for Sacrament of Reconciliation children

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

10 Wednesday Rite of Reconciliation 4.30pm in the church for



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

Friends of St Augustine gathering — Wednesday May 10th — 6.30pm in the Priory. All welcome.

PERPETUAL ADORATION AT St James Church:

Tuesdays 8.30am till Wednesday 8am (be an adorer, please contact Vicky brisbane.adoration@gmail.com). We encourage participation from anyone who needs a quiet hour or so, a reflective time during the week with our Lord, especially those who are working, and those busy with parenting.

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Three: Bringing Cultural Communities to the Centre

"The face of the Church around the world is changing as the centre of gravity shifts from places like Europe and North America (and Australia) to Africa, Asia and Latin America...

Certainly in the Archdiocese the presence of people who have come from overseas - from Vietnam, the Philippines, the Pacific islands, India, Sri Lanka, Latin America, Africa - is growing stronger...

These large and growing communities have gifts for the whole Church, and increasingly the centre of gravity in the Church here is moving in their direction. Therefore, they have to be brought more to centre-stage in the life and mission of the Archdiocese, since much of the real spiritual energy in the Church here is found among them.

This again will involve significant cultural change for the whole Church in this part of the world."



Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

Archdiocese

The 4 weekends of May will have the **annual mass attendance count**. Readers or Servers will head count during each mass.



Parish news

We will reintroduce the reception of

communion from the chalice. 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. Please see In-Service for Communion Ministers information Sunday 7th May 10.30am in the parish hall —page 2 of this bulletin.



**SUNDAY 4PM ON 14 MAY—
YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY (YAM) FUNDRAISER
FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY –
MOVIE AFTERNOON EVENING (IN THE HALL).**

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

7-9 July 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 Ave Coorparoo, Brisbane. Information email or register: laycongress2023@gmail.com

Welcome to St James Parish pamphlet - available still at the church entrances.

May 18-20 - Summit 23, the principal gathering of the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Pamphlets at door.

Planned Giving for the Week of 23 April, 2023

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Donation Tap	Credit card	Total	
1st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100019791	\$966.10	\$370	\$265	\$210	\$165	\$1,976.10	
2nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100005891	\$788.70	\$335	\$365	\$210	\$345	\$2,043.70	

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April 29 / 30 Paul & Cecilia

May 6 / 7 Sylvia + John

Next week	5th Sunday Easter May 7	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (1st weekend)		Denise D	n/a	Dan F
COMMENTATOR		Sylvia P	Michael S	Ray M
LECTOR		David P	John D	Amor McC
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		Rosemarie Y Helen D	Heather L	Sean H Shadi A John W
ALTAR SERVER/S		Edward / helper	Brendon / helper	Lea S + Alejandra
POWERPOINT		Paul D	Gilbert / helper	Lachlan C
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: Saturday 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.stjames@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 5th Sunday Easter (Year A/1)

First Reading Acts 6: 1-7 They elected seven men 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.

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

