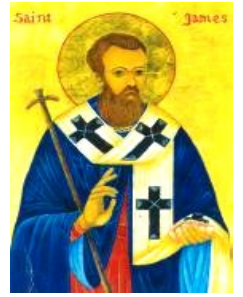


# 4TH SUNDAY EASTER YR C 2022 8 MAY

## The Parish of St James Coorparoo A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive Augustinian Parish Archdiocese of Brisbane



### BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

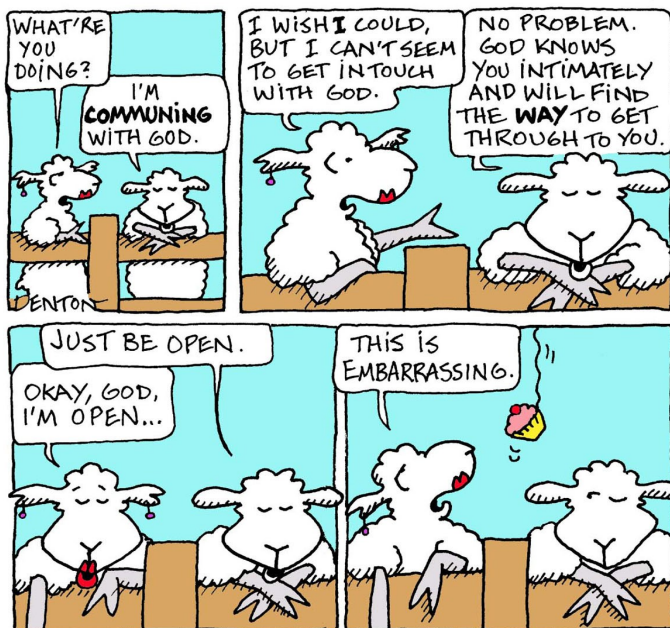
John's Gospel was the last Gospel written. It is probably the most theological Gospel because Jesus' disciples had more time to consider and discuss their experience of being with Jesus. It is in John's Gospel that we hear Jesus tell his disciples he will send the Spirit to do just that sort of discerning. John's Gospel speaks most often of unity among the Father, Son and Spirit. Believing in a Triune God is the absolute bedrock of our Christian faith. God is one, but God is also three persons. It is, and will remain, a mystery as long as we are part of this finite world.

Father, Son and Spirit are not sequential. There wasn't God the Father and Creator first, followed by Jesus the Son and finally, the Spirit. Jesus, the Spirit and the Father have been one from the beginning. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1).

When it comes to understanding God, we are all children. Our brains are limited to finite time and space, and God is beyond all that. Once in a while, we allow God to break through and we experience the awesomeness of the divine. This is where we discover clues to the mystery of God.

It is through God's self-revelation to a people who lived centuries before us that we see the mystery begin to unfold. They tell us about their experiences of God through stories and metaphors, through history, songs, poetry and letters. We call this library of God's self-revelation the Bible.

It is important to remember, however, that the ultimate and final revelation of our Triune God is Jesus. Always balance the other books of the Bible with the Gospels.



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"My sheep hear my voice; I know them. No one can take them out of my hand."

### Sheepish Question:

How could I come to know the Good Shepherd as well as he knows me?

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### Celebrating World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2022 14 / 15 May

This coming Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Easter, often called Good Shepherd Sunday or World Day of Prayer for Vocation. It is the day each year that the Church calls on us to pray for vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life. This year, the date coincides with Mother's Day in the Australian calendar. We want to acknowledge the importance of Mother's Day so St James Parish will celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations **14 / 15 May**.



## This Sunday's Readings

**First Reading Acts 13: 14, 43-52** We are now turning to the gentiles.

**Paul and Barnabas** carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,  
so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

**Today's Psalm 99(100): 1-3,5** We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age.

**Second Reading Revelation 7: 9, 14-17** The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

I, **John**, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

**Gospel Reading John 10: 27-30** I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

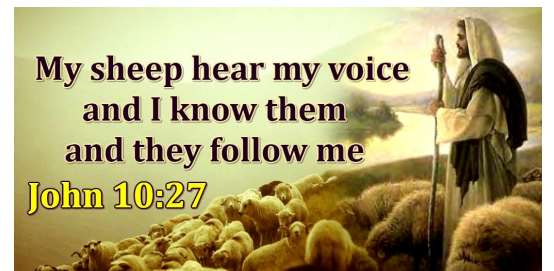
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

**My sheep hear my voice  
and I know them  
and they follow me**

**John 10:27**



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The World Meeting of Families, created by Saint Pope John Paul II in 1994, has been celebrated every three years in a variety of host countries around the world.

To mark this special week, come celebrate at our

**Family Festival on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June!**

This event will begin with the **celebration of a Children's Mass with Archbishop Mark and be followed by family activities on the Cathedral Green.** This is sure to be a day of faith and fun as we come together as a community.

*Sacramental  
Preparation*



**Sacramental Program for Penance + First Holy Communion (2022)**

Sunday 9am May 8th **Rite of Enrolment** during 9am Mass in our Church.

Tuesday 6pm May 10th **Reconciliation Session 1** in our Church.

Tuesday 6pm May 17th **Reconciliation Session 2** in our Church.

Tuesday 6pm May 24th **Reconciliation Session 3** in our Church.

Friday 4.30pm May 27th **Rite of First Reconciliation** in our Church.

**Conclusion of Program for children who have had First Holy Communion. Program continues...**

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



## Prayers

**Please pray for recently deceased:** Mary Collins; Angela O'Hanlon; Fr John Maguire; Des Crawford; Eufracia Macion Baya; Phyllis Shannon; Eddie Farrelly; John "Doc" Doherty; Brian Mays; Cesar Vazquez Marin; Martin Devine; Anne Byrne.

**And these anniversaries:** Luciant Elicano; Liao Loon; Neill Heydon; Eulogio & Flaviana Diaz; Quintin Olive; Mary -Anne Dungan; Allan Yared.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Ben Sheehan; Susan Blun; Kevin Sheehan; Loreto Paterson; Lenore Girard; Jaquin Andrei Creer; Graham & Troy Tinslay; Fr Ron Mollison; Neil Pokarier; John & Noela McCormick; Irasema Ramirez Castro; Mim Martin; Kerry See; Bill & Carmel Trewern; Bryan O'Connell.

**Please pray for our Baptismal children:**

Daniel Dawes; Jack van Rosendal.



## MAY

**7 / 8 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Event-brite); **4th Sunday Easter (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); Baptisms; Rite of Enrolment for Sacramental Children.**

**10 Sacramental Program Session One 6pm church.**

**11 Wednesday Friends of St Augustine gathering in the Priory 6.30pm.**

**11 Wednesday No Alpha gathering this week**

**12 Thursday St V de P evening meeting Priory**

**14 / 15 Saturday + Sunday Alpha Weekend Retreat**

**14 / 15 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Event-brite); **5th Sunday Easter (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); Baptisms.**

**17 Sacramental Program Session 2 Reconciliation 6pm church.**

**18 Wednesday Alpha gathering: 6.30pm-9pm in the Hall**

**21 / 22 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Event-brite); **6th Sunday Easter (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.**

## Parish news

### Parish Leaders Network



**On Saturday we worked with 60 parishioners at St James Coorparoo at their Parish Summit.** This was a joy-filled, upbuilding experience of a parish who are being bold and trying something new as they look to the future of their parish. The Parish Summit is a part of a strategic planning process that we take parishes through. *May God give you hope and boldness in your leadership as you continue to discern what he is calling you and your community to.*



### Aid to the Church in Need (Emergency Appeal for Ukraine)

Funds are being sent to clergy and religious who are on the ground assisting the people. Please visit

[www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine](http://www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine) or phone 1800101201.

**See church entrances.**



**Wednesday 11th May**

**Friends of St Augustine gathering in the Priory 6.30pm. Bring a plate.**



**2022 Marriage Encounter weekend World Wide Marriage Encounter a weekend of discovery... a lifetime of love Friday May 13-15th Live-in weekend Santa Teresa David & Maria Murphy Phone: 0481 307 821 Email: [qldbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:qldbookings@wwme.org.au)**



Federal Election will be **Saturday 21 May 2022** (St James parish hall will be a polling booth)

## Parish news

Volunteer pastoral care assistants are required to support people living with a mental health issue for 3 hours of a Friday morning each week, 9am -12pm with Mass celebrated at 11.30am. Call office for information.



Prayer pilgrimage ... Catholics across the country are being invited to participate in a new prayer pilgrimage as the Church journeys towards the

second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The "Walking in the Spirit" pilgrimage has been prepared to encourage individuals, families, parishes, schools and other ministries to keep the Plenary Council in their prayers. The pilgrimage starts on Easter Sunday, April 17, and leads up to the opening of the second – and final – assembly on Sunday, July 3.



Year 1 teachers and all St James School students prepared a tribute for ANZAC Day.



Easing of restrictions – attendance at Weddings... See our website.

## Planned Giving for the Week of 1 May, 2022

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection Augustinian Priory</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100019791</b>	<b>\$706.30</b>	<b>\$195</b>	<b>\$467</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>\$1,368.30</b>	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100005891</b>	<b>\$386.75</b>	<b>\$180</b>	<b>\$517</b>	<b>only</b>	<b>\$1,083.75</b>	

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Safeguarding Officer	Kate Pearson	3397 1671

## Weekly Mass times

**WEEKEND:** Saturday 8am; Vigil 6pm.

Sunday 7am, 9am, no longer 6pm.

**WEEKDAY:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8am **WEEKDAY:** Friday 9am.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 4.30—5.30pm... by [Eventbrite link](#) or call parish office.

**HEALING + ANOINTING MASS:** Friday 3rd June 2022 @ 9am.

**ALL NIGHT VIGIL:** Friday 3rd June 2022.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY (coming soon).**

## Counters

**May 7 / 8** Karleen & Sandra

**May 14 / 15** Lenore & Brendon

Next week	5th Easter Sunday May 15	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (3rd weekend)		Glenn	n/a	Rex perhaps
COMMENTATOR		Bill S	Merina M	Lalan C
LECTOR		Lorie R	Jana V	Leo B
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		Ron S Anne S	Marj N	Ray M Carmel T Pat P
ALTAR SERVER/S		Joe R / helper	Gene T-F / helper	Lea S / helper
POWERPOINT		Paul D	Gilbert / helper	June / helper
HOSPITALITY		Karen / Edward	Brendon / Trish	Cathy + Else C

## Next Sunday's Readings

**5th Sunday Easter (Year C/2)**

**First Reading** Acts 14: 21-27 They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.

**Second Reading** Revelation 21: 1-5 He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

**Gospel Reading** John 13: 31-35 I give you a new commandment: love one another.

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

