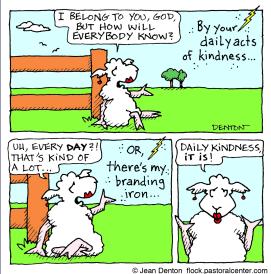


ARINGING HOME GOSPEL Every time I read Paul's description of the love Jesus practiced and in turn expects his disciples to practice, I cringe. Paul writes, "Love is patient... it does not insist on its own way..." (1 Corinthians 13:4–5). Perhaps this is such a difficult notion to embrace because patience does not come easily to me. When I was raising my children, it seemed an impossible feat to maintain my patience.

young that I was anything but patient and mild-tempered. At one point, I had a six-year-old, three little ones under the age of three and a husband who travelled.

There were days when the children teased each other, screamed and fought, and I joined right in, screaming even louder. I would go to bed hating myself, resolving to keep my cool the next day, but I'd get up in the morning and before noon I would lose my temper again. Finally, on a retreat, I learned that there were some things about ourselves that we just can't change through sheer willpower. No matter how much we want to, no matter how many times we try, we just can't do it.



"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Sheepish Question:

How do people know that I'm a disciple of Jesus?

So, as the retreat director had suggested, I turned it over to God. Every morning, I asked God for the patience I needed to get me to lunch. At lunch, I prayed to make it to dinner, at dinner, to bedtime. And it worked. After a few weeks I woke up to a different household. Because I was calmer, so were the kids. God's patient love became

mine. I'd like to say the change was permanent, but it wasn't. I'd break the cycle and have to start praying hourly all over again. But I learned something very important through it all. I learned that the love Paul was talking about in 1 Corinthians is God's love, which is even more powerful than a mother's love. The good news is that this love is mine for the asking, and once I receive it I am free to share it with my children.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Talk about how difficult it is to change old habits and how we sometimes need God's help. Suggest that each family member writes down one habit he or she would like help with. Say a prayer together and burn the pieces of paper as a sign of your turning it over to God.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What old habit or trait would you like to change about yourself? How have you tried to change? How can you work at change in the future?

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

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

Today's Psalm 144(145):8-13a I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.	All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign.	Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age.
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Second Reading Revelation 21: 1-5 He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

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

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. 'My little children,

I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment:

love one another;

just as I have loved you,

you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another,

everyone will know that you are my disciples.'



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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 25th 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.



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 Olave.

Please pray for these unwell: Trevor Ketter; Kevin Sheehan; Loreto Paterson; Lenore Girard; Juaquin Andrei Creer; Fr Ron Mollison; Neil Pokarier; John & Noela McCormick; Irasema Ramirez Castro; Mim Martin; Kerry See; Bryan O'Connell.



Please pray for our Baptismal children:

Alexander Kelly; Thejas Fernando; Noah Roberts.

Parish news

Soft flooring has been completed at the Statue of Our Lady (St James

Centenary Garden). Many thanks to all those who

generously donated towards this. Photo to come (when rain has concluded!)

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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 <u>www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine</u> or phone 1800101201. **See church entrances.**

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Federal Election will be **Saturday 21 May 2022** (St James parish hall will be a polling booth) School P&F doing a sausage sizzle and bake stall.

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Date Claimer **Sunday 22nd May 2022** Retreat Day and Prayers for Healing with Fr Ken Barker Missionaries of God's Love, **commencing with Mass at 11am**, followed by a book launch by Bishop Brian Finnigan of Fr Ken's most recent book "The Our Father" Day finishing 4pm; **St Thomas' Catholic Church Camp Hill**, car park entrance Stephen St. BYO lunch, drinks provided. All welcome, enquiries 0479 047 972

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St Ignatius' Women's Night of Spirituality presents Joan Chittister osb Friday 3 June 2022 7—9pm Stuartholme School Chapel, 365 Birdwood Terrace, Toowong. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BYQTJ

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Date claimer...join us for the **Romero Centre Welcome Walk on 5 June** - so no one should ever have to walk alone. Fundraising here:- <u>https://bit.ly/3ufqDGp</u>

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AUGUSTINIAN FORMATION ASSOCIATION (AFA)

Annual Family Membership for 2022 \$30 per family . Help support the training/formation of Augustinian Priests in the Australian Province through prayer, community and payment of all their expenses. Contact Office for more information (07) 33971671





14 / 15 Saturday + Sunday Alpha Weekend Retreat

14 / 15 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite): 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 Eventbrite): 6th Sunday Easter (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.

24 Sacramental Program Session 3 Reconciliation 6pm church. 25 Wednesday Alpha gathering: 6.30pm-9pm in the Hall

26 Thursday St V de P evening meeting Priory

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

28 / 29 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); Ascension of the Lord (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.

29 Sunday Baptismal preparation morning 10.30am in the church.

Parish news

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an **Australian Pilgrimage**, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"

commencing in **Melbourne on 18 October**, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry: contact <u>nation-</u> <u>al.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au</u> or (02) 89124818.

Annie Bond rsj Assistant Director – Ministries.

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Prayer pilgrimage ... you areinvited to participate in a new prayer pilgrimage as the Church journeys towards the second and final – assembly on Sunday, July 3.



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Official launch by Archbishop Mark Coleridge of the Signs of Our Times initiative.

When: Tuesday 31 May 2022 Time: 6:00 – 7:00 PM Signs of Our Times promotes accompaniment of people on the peripheries of society as an essential element of Catholic social action. It also fosters social action which is firmly grounded in scripture, the Church's social tradition and prayer. Jesus Christ is firmly at the centre of the action promoted by Signs of Our Times.

Also find out about exciting initiatives in which you can get involved. Join us by registering at: <u>Bit.ly/SOOTlaunch</u> Signs of Our Times is a joint initiative of the *Catholic Justice* & *Peace Commission of the Archdiocese of Brisbane and the Office for Justice Ecology* & *Peace of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.*

Planned Giving for the Week of 8 May, 2022						
Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total	
1 st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: <u>100019791</u>	\$774.25	\$165	\$605	Week 4	\$1,544.25	
2 nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: <u>100005891</u>	\$482.75	\$160	\$640	only	\$1,282.75	

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Weekly Mass timesWEEKEND: 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 14 / 15 Lenore & Brendon

May 21 / 22 Paul & Cecilia

Next week 6th Easter Sunday May 22		SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (3rd weekend)	Libby C	n/a	Canossa Angels
COMMENTATOR	Karleen O'R	Berenice T-F	Ray M
LECTOR	Bill S	Merina M	Lalan C
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POWERPOINT	Cecilia D	Gilbert / helper	June / helper
HOSPITALITY	Karen / Edward	Brendon / Trish	Cathy + Else C

Next Sunday's Readings 6th Sunday Easter (Year C/2) First Reading Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 It

has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.

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



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