

**16TH SUNDAY
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20 / 21 JULY**

The Parish of St James Coorparoo.

**A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive
and Augustinian Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane**



Bringing Home the Gospel Jesus Visits With Mary and Martha

When Jesus visits the home of his friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Mary sits at Jesus' feet listening to him. Her sister Martha is busy preparing dinner and serving it. When Martha complains that Mary is not helping, Jesus tells her that Mary is fine. "Mary has chosen the better part..." (v. 42).

Martha was right: Mary, a woman living in first-century Palestine, should have been up and about cooking and serving. But as in so many other instances, Jesus ignores the social norms of his times. He tells Martha, and all of us, that it is often more important to be a listener than a doer.

Jesus wants us to be attentive to his presence, not only by spending time in prayer but also by recognizing him in the people we encounter, especially those in need. Unfortunately, we are sometimes so intent on getting the grass cut that we just give a wave to our out-of-work neighbor. Or we're so busy getting a late dinner cooked that we miss the opportunity to talk to an eight-year-old who is having a really bad day.

There are always a dozen things that need to be done, and at least half of them need to be done right now. Jesus is telling us to prioritize. And when we prioritize, people always come first. So we look at the situation: overgrown grass, hungry kids, a concerned neighbor and a worried child. We know the grass can wait, and the kids won't starve. We go over to the neighbor or sit down with the child, and we listen.

When all is said and done, what does it matter if your house is immaculate and the beds are always made, or the garage is so clean you can see your face in the concrete? The bottom line is always about relationships. Jesus is telling us how important it is to take time from our busy schedules to spend time with him in prayer, yes, but also to take time to engage in attentive listening to those in need.

FAMILY RESPONSE

As a family, practice attentive listening. Have someone talk about a problem he or she is having at work or school. Make sure no one interrupts until the one who is speaking has finished his or her story. Ask questions to better understand the situation. Suggest solutions only if the person asks for them.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Think of someone you know who is a good listener. What qualities make him or her that way? How good a listener are you? How can you be better?

Friends of St Augustine Travelling Congress Presents Keynote speaker—Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA *Sharing the Joy of the Gospel.*

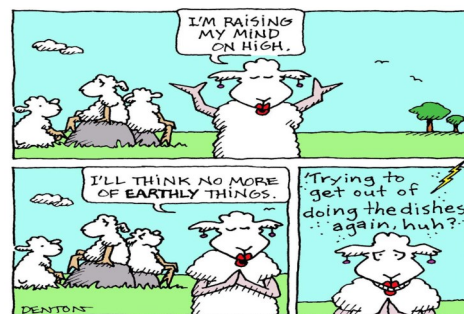
Don't miss this special opportunity to hear respected biblical scholar



Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA, currently co-ordinator of biblical studies at the Archdiocese of Dublin, explore John's Gospel along with Augustine's commentaries leading us closer to Christ. *Saturday 31st August 9.30am to 4pm St James Catholic Parish Hall. Cost: \$20—including morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea.*

Registration Closes: Thursday 22 August via bookings to

Parish Office 3397 1671 (see our noticeboard for more information)



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"You are anxious and worried about many things."

Sheepish Questions:

Which earthly "duties" get in the way of my spiritual life? Which ones enhance it?

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Today's Readings

First Reading *Genesis 18: 1-10* Lord, do not bypass your servant.

Second Reading *Colossians 1: 24-28* The mystery hidden for

centuries has now been revealed to his saints. **Gospel Reading** *Luke 10: 38-42* Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

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: Joan O'Learly; Paul Donohue; Fr Kevin Tuitw; Marc Hunter; Antoinette Ryan.

And these anniversaries: Anaclito Seares; Sofronio Negre Sr; Bernadette Andersien; Albert Heeg Jr; Girolamo Romano; Angela Romano.

Please pray for these unwell: Marj Norris; Jan Evans; Liam O'Reilly; Daphne Thorpe; Luke Farrelly; David Lindsay; Carmel & Bryan O'Connell; Matthew & Nicholas Clifford; Margaret Osborne; Tina Romano; Michael & Kathleen Simpson; Steven McSwan.

Please give prayers and welcome to these baptismal children:

William & Stevie Smith. It is customary to re-light your child's baptism candle each birthday or baptism anniversary.



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

Social Justice

SIGNIFICANT DATES

JULY:

Saturday 20: 50th anniversary of the first moon landing (1969)

Friday 26: School Tree Day.

1833: approval of Emancipation Bill, abolishing slavery throughout the British Empire.

Nelson Mandela International Day (cont'd).... noting that 2017 marks the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Mr Guterres (Sec-Gen



of the UN) recalled that Mr Mandela spoke in the General Assembly about that document almost exactly 20 years ago, urging world leaders to build a world consistent with its provisions. Today, with human rights under growing pressure around the world, the international community should reflect on the example he set. "We need to face the forces that threaten us with the wisdom, courage and fortitude that Nelson Mandela embodied," he said, emphasizing that that is the only way to build a just, peaceful and prosperous world as envisioned in the United Nations Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and 2030 Agenda.

Parish news

CFC - Singles for Christ Brisbane

invites all single men and women

ages 18-40 years old to join our Christian Life Program...

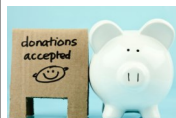
Continuing Wednesdays 7pm; mass starts at 6pm, St James Coorparoo.

facebook.com/cfcscfbrisbane ... For more information please contact

RV 0420 838 878 / DJEB 0405 403 121 (see noticeboard also)



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. Envelopes have been placed on the seats for this purpose and at church entrances. **TOGETHER WE CAN DO HEROIC THINGS...**



Roster for Counters is now available at the Sacristy. Many thanks to all who assist us with this important ministry, after the weekend masses. It has also been emailed to volunteers who have given their email address to the parish office osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au



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).

**Brass Cleaning helpers - date coming up shortly...
Saturday 3rd August (after 8am Mass)**



Planned Giving for the Week ending 14 July (Week 2)

Collection	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
1 st Collection Augustinian	\$747.70	\$520.10	\$115	Week 4	\$1,382.80
2 nd Collection Parish	\$596.35	\$502.10	\$115	only	\$1,213.45

Feast Day of St James 2019 - Thursday 25th July
There will be 9am mass on this day - everyone welcome.



St James School & Fete
28th July Community Mass 9am
28th July Fete 10am – 2pm.

Please be aware that the school playground carparking will be unavailable on this weekend - fete preparations.



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: Information session 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 with Archbishop Mark).

Parishioners, can you keep plant cuttings for the Plants/Books stall at the fete, looked after by Cassie Williamson. Support the school and the P and F who organise this event and get in touch via phoning the school or bpbriggs@hotmail.com or stjpandf@gmail.com.

Friends of St Augustine next Gathering... will be Wednesday 7th August 6.30pm (not Wednesday 14th August due to clash with Feast of Assumption vigil mass) - Feast for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Masses for 2019... Wednesday 14th August Vigil mass 7pm and Thursday 15th August 8am morning mass.



Marriage Encounter weekend AUGUST 2nd— 4th A weekend away for married couples in a peaceful, picturesque surroundings – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your marriage! This is a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh your relationship.

Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston Qld (on Brisbane's bayside) **Website:** www.wmme.org.au

For bookings/details contact: Maria and David Murphy, ph (07) 3342 1456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au

Deanery news

Calendar for Brisbane East Deanery

July 24th Wednesday 7pm for 7.30pm start Bne East Deanery meeting at Our Lady of Graces, Carina

August 11th Sunday 1pm – 4pm Circles of Life Qld, Brisbane Women's forum at Lourdes Hill College

August 11th Sunday St Ita's Primary School, Dutton Park celebrating 100 years with mass on at 9am, followed by community day

August 31st Saturday 9am-4pm Friends of St Augustine Travelling Laity Congress Sharing the Joy of the Gospel with

Kieran J. O'Mahony OSA in St James Parish Hall

September 6th – 8th St Thomas' Camp Hill 90th Anniversary St Thomas' School

Regina Caeli Over's 50 Club Wednesday Bus trips \$50 each trip (subject to change)... Depart 8.30am (see noticeboard) 81 Waverley Rd Camp Hill, 4152 ph: 3398 3697

Wednesday August 7th Gatton Cultural Centre, Tour of Gallery & Museum, Lunch to follow; BYO Morn Tea.



Archdiocese news

ECUMENICAL ANTI-EUTHANASIA GATHERING at SPEAKER'S CORNER, If you

are going, please advise St James Parish Office thru email...15 George Street, Brisbane, [Next to Parliament House], 'Anti-Euthanasia Appeal' Saturday **3rd August**. Gathering 2:30pm -starting at **3:00pm** and closing about 3:15pm or so. All Jesus' Disciples are most welcome, who want to appeal to God for his help!



OneG_d, Many Voices concert. Thursday, 29th August: 7pm for 7.30pm (see noticeboard for details) For those new to the concert, two musical acts perform from each faith group. An example of different faiths joyfully coming together. The concert is followed by a delicious Kosher-Halal Supper. There is no charge. ALL are welcome.



PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #5

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a yearning for the Church to be a sign of God's kingdom for all people in Australia – to be able to see the Catholic Church in action, and to recognise Jesus.

Find out **more at** www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Other news of interest

Queensland Irish Choir Invite you to attend their 2019 Celtic Winter Concert... The Choir will sing a range of Celtic songs. Guest Artist: Gregory Moore of Ten Tenor fame. Place: The Brisbane German Club – 614 Vulture St. East Brisbane.

Date: Saturday 21st July 2019 Time 2pm – 4.00pm. Cost \$15 Afternoon tea is included.

Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/522986> Any questions please contact Ellie Dillmann 0406751883 irishchoir@gmail.com

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Counters

July 20 / 21 Lenore & Brendon

July 27 / 28 Paul & Cecilia

NEXT WEEK July 27 / 28	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM COMMUNITY MASS	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	David P	Neil P	Judith R to assist	Bill S
LECTOR	Anne C	John D	St James school child	Leo B
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ron S Anne S Sylvia P	Yen Mai Vu Berenice T-F Gene T-F	Carmel T Dianne M *	Rosemarie Y Romy U Christine U
HOSPITALITY	Mary-Rita D Cathy W	Esme G	Nigel R Judith M	*
ALTAR SERVERS	Deneb	Oliver, Gene	*	John, Rodel, Ramil, Alyssa, Klaris
POWERPOINT	Allan	John, Gilbert	Di, Oliver, June	Sydel

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 2nd August 2019.

NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 2nd August 2019, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 21st July 2019 — 9am mass.

Next Sunday's Readings

First Reading *Genesis 18: 20-32* Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

Second Reading *Colossians 2: 12-14* He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins. **Gospel Reading** *Luke 11: 1-13* Ask, and it will be given to you.

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

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