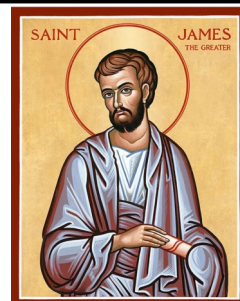


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**ST JAMES PARISH
COORPAROO**
IS A PARISH OF ACCOMPANIMENT
WHERE WE ENCOUNTER AND
KNOW CHRIST, DEEPEN OUR FAITH,
AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY



BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

He Is With Us

Jesus has lived his life, died, and risen. He has taught his disciples everything he had to teach. Before he leaves them for a final time, Jesus tells them to make disciples of the whole world, teaching all they have learned and baptizing in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

I once heard a religious educator say that a disciple was like an apprentice. A disciple doesn't have to have it all together—she makes mistakes. She is someone who is still learning. An apprentice also needs mentoring. She needs someone to teach her and instruct her, but she also needs someone to show her how to be whatever it is she is apprenticing to be.

We are disciples of a trinitarian God, baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit. Our way into the divine life of this Trinity is through Jesus. Jesus, the Son, is our brother, our savior, and our mentor. He shows us how we can share in his divinity by teaching us to accept our humanity.

It was by living his life completely and embracing his death fully that Jesus became our way and our mentor. He accepted his limitations and embraced his vulnerability. He showed us how to live through pain and loss and die with questions left unanswered. And through it all, he shared his love with everyone: friends and enemies alike.

As disciples, we try, and sometimes fail, to live our lives as Jesus lived his, but like all good apprentices and disciples, we try again. A great thing to remember is that Jesus is not just the ideal—someone we look up to and try to emulate—Jesus is our mentor. He walks with us, helping us clean up our messes. He constantly shares his love and his life with us so that we can share it with others.



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“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

Sheepish Question:

What am I waiting for?

FAMILY RESPONSE

Discuss what qualities you like best in Jesus. Have each family member decide on one quality they would like most to have.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Which of Jesus' qualities would you most like to have? Why?

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Parishioners,

Can you assist?

Please see inside bulletin for ways that you can take part in our Multicultural Mass, and ways that you can assist with the Fiesta.



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

This Sunday's Readings

Ascension of the Lord (Year A/1)

First Reading Acts 1: 1-11 *Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus*

has been taken into heaven.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

Psalm 46(47):2-3,6-9 *God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

God is king of all the earth,
sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

Second Reading Ephesians 1: 17-23 *He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.*

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

Gospel Reading Matthew 28: 16-20 *All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.*

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.' Copyright © 1996-2023 Universalis Publishing Limited: see www.universalis.com. Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible are



Pentecost Multicultural 9am Mass 28th May

*Parishioners invited to attend in cultural dress;
St James School children invited to
attend in cultural dress also

*Clipboard for parishioners to carry flags into mass —available at side entrance for signature—request
for set-up and set-down helpers + food servers also

*If we do not have your flag, please bring along your flag attached to a long pole

*School Carpark (basketball court) will be closed from
Saturday morning 27th on, due to tents being set-up

*Parishioners invited to bring along Native Cuisine – hall to be open
for receiving food after 7am mass 28th May. Inside hall will have International cuisine

*Outside hall will have entertainment area + tents & tables

*No Child Liturgy Of Word (CLOW) on Pentecost (May 28)

Requesting more volunteers to put up the marquees. Presently, we only have 4 volunteers. Names on
the clipboard (side entrance) as well as contact number please, so it's easier to reach out to you.

Requesting more volunteers to carry a flag for the flag procession before the Mass. It doesn't matter if
it's not your country of origin. Names on the clipboard (side entrance) as well as contact number
please, so it's easier to reach out to you.

Remember to wear your Multicultural or National Attire e.g. Filipiniana, barong, baro't saya
(Philippines)/Sari (Sri Lanka/India)/Kilts (Scottish)/ Tracht (Germany)/Kimono (Japan), etc.

Native Cuisine – please bring a plate to share...

*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:



Bill Smith; Monica Woodward; Denise Farmer; Giordano Scaini; Esteban Canta JR; Mr Fernando.

And these anniversaries: Barbara Sanguino; Maria Carrillo; Hugo Abril; Daniel Sullivan; Sander Halasan.

Please pray for these unwell: Lucia Monterde; Frank O'Dea; Maylene Nator; Robbie Haley; Miriam Martin; Rosalie Pascual; Aoife Stephenson; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan.

Please pray for these Baptismal children:

Vanessa Fabian; Ryan Jonas.

Pilgrims for AYE and WYD 2023

Leah, Sammy, Dew, Jana and Johanna (standing)

Fr Saldie, Paul and Joseph (kneeling)

Heading to Lisbon, Portugal 19 July for the Augustinian Youth Encounter and World Youth Day.



PERPETUAL ADORATION AT St James Church:

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. **Not occurring this coming 23/24 May.**



NATIONAL LAY CONGRESS 7-9 JULY 2023 BRISBANE "WALKING TOGETHER"



on Friday night, lunch and dinner on Saturday, and lunch on Sunday. Cost: \$60 per person for Zoom participation.

* Fr Joe Farrell OSA an American Friar currently residing in Rome and a member of the General Council of the Order. He will

explore what it means to be a Synodal Church and the dynamics of the laity and clergy 'walking together'.

* Patricia Gemmell part of the working team behind Australian Women Preach – a weekly podcast of women proclaiming the Gospel and a contributor to the recently launched book 'In Her Voice'. She will explore what it means to be a lay member of the Church of the third millennium.



Catholic Leader

May Edition —\$4 cash at church entrances.



MAY 2023

Fr Francis on annual leave till 16 June.

21 Sunday Rite of Enrolment for Sacrament of First Holy Communion children during 9am mass

22 Monday Family Session 1 6pm in the church for Sacrament of First Holy Communion children

23-24 Fr John in Sydney.

23 Tuesday 8am Communion led Service

NO ADORATION ON THIS TUESDAY...

24 Wednesday NO 8am mass – other church availability for Solemnity mass on this day

25 Thursday St V de P meeting 6.30pm

27 / 28 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation); Pentecost Sunday (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); **No Baptisms.**

28 Sunday Multicultural Mass 9am + Fiesta afterwards

Fr Francis on annual leave till 16 June.

Archdiocese

The 4 weekends of May will have the annual mass

attendance count. Readers or Servers will head count during each mass.



Parish news

Chalice Extraordinary Communion Ministers to commence in Amended June Roster (available in the Sacristy)



New Counters Roster... (available in the Sacristy)



As Fr Francis and Fr John will be away 23-24 May...

Communion Service on Tuesday 23rd May;

No Adoration on Tuesday/Wednesday 23/24 May.

Church closed Wednesday 24th May and priests recommend visiting somewhere else to honour Our Lady Help of Christians on this day. (Mt Carmel 9am weekday mass)



The Brisbane East Deanery will begin the **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** study in the week starting the 29th of MAY (8 weeks).

Louise Simento at 0456 700 040.



Corpus Christi procession—2pm Sunday June 11th 2023

Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane. Pamphlets at doors.

Corpuschristibrisbane.com To watch the livestream of the procession visit the website or call 0412802122.



Marriage Course online [click here for information](#)

7:30pm – 9:30pm Wednesday nights beginning 31st May. The course runs for seven Wednesdays with a break over school holidays, finishing on 26th July.

LOCATION: Online - Zoom link will be shared after registration. COST: Course is free.

Planned Giving for the Week of 14 May 2023

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Donation Tap	Total
1st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100019791	\$1,083.70	\$175	\$435	\$145	\$1,838.70
2nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100018086	\$604.60	\$160	\$822	\$145	\$1,731.60

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Counters

May 20 / 21 Paul + Cecilia

May 27 / 28 new Counters Roster

Next week	Pentecost Sunday May 28	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	MULTICULTURAL SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (4th weekend)	Libby C	n/a	Cultural Groups	
COMMENTATOR	David P	John D	Chosen by Liturgy Group	
LECTOR	Helen D	Jana V	Cultural Groups	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Sylvia P Anne S	Jan L	Chalice + Host ministers required for this mass	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Edward / helper	Brendon or Jane	Lea + Alejandra	
POWERPOINT	Paul 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: Saturday 4.30—5.30pm.

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

HEALING + ANOINTING MASS: Friday 2nd June @ 9am.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 2nd June @ 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

Pentecost Sunday (Year A/1)

First Reading Acts 2: 1-11 They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13 In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

Gospel Reading John 20: 19-23 As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

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be with you.
As the Father has
sent me,
so I send you."

John 20:21, NRSV