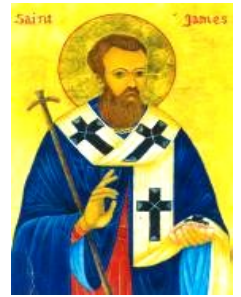


**15TH SUNDAY
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**The Parish of St James
Coorparoo
A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive
Augustinian Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane**



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The streaming of our **Sunday Mass at 9:00AM on Facebook Live** and at **10:30AM on Youtube** will continue until the end of July. So, we are in fact in our last couple of streamings for our Sunday masses!

You Tube

WHAT WILL BE THE NEW NORMAL?

In this short section of our bulletin, pictures taken from our church with descriptions will be posted. We hope that these will help you know, at least, what to do when you get back to church beginning this Sunday when we are allowed up to 100.

Whilst these pictures and descriptions may be helpful and relevant in terms of navigating where we are situated in our church reopening, it is, in my opinion, more essential to be intentionally aware of the emerging issues that are brought to light due to COVID-19. Especially, those that affect how we operate or how we see ourselves as a parish community, as a missionary church. If I may use the words of Paul to the Romans, which we will listen to in our 2nd reading this Sunday, these emerging issues are "groaning inwardly" "waiting to be set free".

Some businesses, schools, workplaces, etc. have now started to look closely into their operations, direction, and strategies. Part of this is identifying services or offerings that are essential or critical. Together with this, is naming those services which could be reduced or entirely eliminated in order to focus resources on making better delivering the essential or critical services.

It would be tragic, I suppose, if we find ourselves on the other end of this crisis, and the only thing that we have dealt with are the external level changes (although we know how important these are as well), like making signs and marks, and following instructions on using handwipes and sanitisers, observing social distancing, and agreeing to the hassle of registering our information.

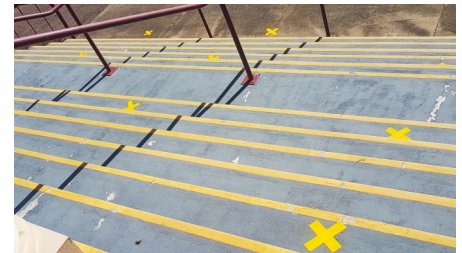
What might truly be valuable is if we stop to ask what sort of seeds are being planted in our parish life! So, what seeds are being planted here at St James Parish? Do we know with clarity what sort of fruit these seeds produce? If we consider that we have reaped some harvest, is this phenomenon accidental, like throwing arrows in the dark and hoping one will hit the target? Or are we intentionally planting these seeds that produce such harvest?

These are just some questions that I think, we, as a parish family — parish community — church, need to be earnestly reflecting at this time. I'd rather that the

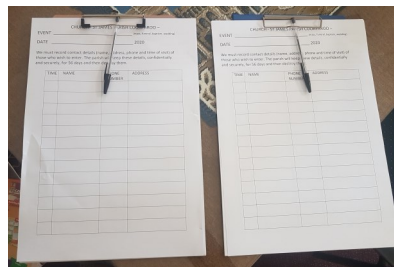
"new normal" would be more about considering these subjects.

Now, let's go to the other "new normal" things...

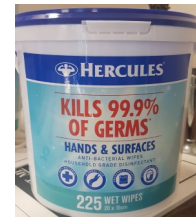
When entering the church grounds, you will see these marks on the ground to help you observe distancing.



*Upon entering the church or at the church door, you will be asked to register. You can either simply tick off the box beside your name (if you pre-registered online or called the office: **recommended**), or you may be asked to write your name and contact info.*



Handwipes and hand sanitisers are available for your use. Please use these to disinfect touch areas like

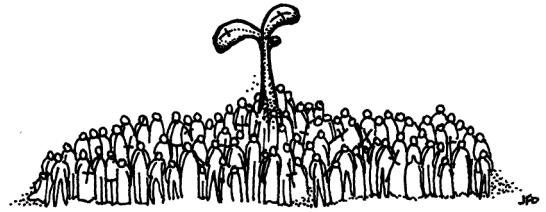


handles, pews, etc. You are responsible for cleaning touch areas before and after the service.

"X" marks the spot on the pews where you may sit. During communion, please stand and line up by rows starting from the front; please observe distancing by standing on the "X" mark on the carpet floor.



Fr Francis, OSA



Sowing the Seeds of Faith

Jesus, like all great teachers, shares his lessons in language his listeners can understand. His message is anchored in stories that will keep his listeners' interest. In the parable of the sower, Jesus talks about seeds scattered on different types of soil.

The parable of the sower has much to say to parents about bringing up their children in the faith. At baptism, each child receives the seeds of faith. It is God's free gift. Jesus generously scatters the seeds, but only the seeds planted in good soil will grow abundantly. Seeds of faith, like all seeds, need to be fed and nurtured, protected from harm.

In my early years as a parish director of religious education,

FAMILY RESPONSE

Let everyone take a turn talking about their favorite story about Jesus. When everyone is finished, ask each person why they liked their story. Make sure grown-ups share, too.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Who helped nurture the seeds of your faith? What can you do on a daily basis to help the seeds of faith grow in your child? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

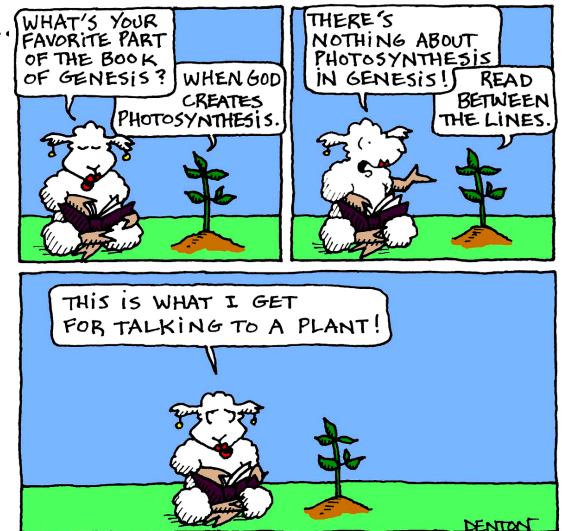
I often told parents how important it was that they support their child's catechist or Catholic school teacher. As the years went by, I realized that I had things reversed. It is the catechist or teacher who is in the supportive role.

What children learn or don't learn in their religion classes depends to a great degree on what they are learning at home, where the soil is tilled.

Parents and the parish work together to prepare that soil, but parents have the primary role. Parents turn pathways into fertile fields by living lives that promote Gospel values, by bringing to light the good in the world, and exposing and uprooting the evil. Parents cultivate and water rocky soil by providing a home where hope is encouraged and faith and love are shared.

Parents hack away at the thorns of a secular society—including self-gratifying consumerism and the violence and voyeurism called entertainment—by diligently supervising and actively participating in their child's free time.

The seed of faith was planted in the hearts of our children at baptism. But it is up to you, as a parent, to cultivate an environment that will let that faith grow abundantly.

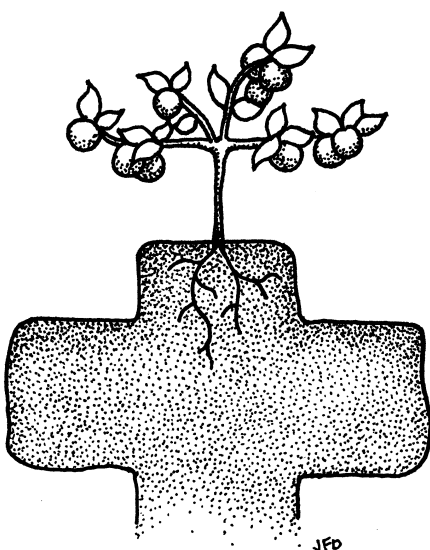


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"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit."

Sheepish Question:

What new insights from God's Word have influenced my actions?



Prayer Requests

Please pray for recently deceased:

Glenda Hirst; Sean

Lavin; Alice Mollinson; Julie Slack; Carlos Romero; Nazaria Tacandong; Fr Noel Connolly SSC.

And these anniversaries: John Sowter; Eipanio; Hospicio; Emilio; Teresa &

Vincent Tongue; Noel Barker; Abraham Garcia.

Please pray for these unwell: Susan Blunt; Sylvia Wilson; Jocelyn Tibayan, Veron Forsyth; Fr Ron Mollison; Noela McCormick; Brent & Margaret Hill.

Give prayers and welcome to our Baptismal Children:

Matteo Camacho.



Parish news

We welcome today: **John Kemp** into full communion with the Catholic church.



Catholic Church's National Appeal for SEA SUNDAY 12 July 2020

Donate [here](#)

At AoS, we pray that Mary, Star of the Sea, guide and protect them in their journeys on the high seas.

Known to seafarers around the world as Stella Maris, the Apostleship of the Sea cares for the spiritual, social and material welfare of all seafarers regardless of colour, race or creed.



Our first Anointing Mass, after CV19 restrictions have been lifted, will be **Friday 7th August, 10am. There will be no morning tea.** We will not have an Eventbrite link or registration for this event.

As people arrive, we will collect their details at the door.



Applications close Friday 17 July.



Saturday, 15th August, 2020 (Solemnity of the Assumption, Tuan Anh's Diocese Patroness), **10 am—Ordination to the Diaconate of Lê Tuấn Anh OSA (Tuấn Anh)** by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at St James' Church, Coorparoo.

Today's Readings

15th Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading *Isaiah 55: 10-11* The rain makes the earth fruitful.

Second Reading *Romans 8: 18-23* All creation is waiting for the revelation of the children of God.

Gospel Reading *Matthew 13: 1-23* A sower went out to sow.

Parish news

Sacrament of Confirmation Program

St James Parish will occur in Term 3 – contact parish phone 3397 1671 or email. Term 3 (Yr 3 or older, or 8yrs minimum)) for **St James School and parishioner families only.** Date claimer: July 20th, Monday 6pm for the Parent info session which will be held in our church. Register [here](#) for the parent session.

Please find your child's baptism certificate and copy it for us.



Australian Bishops Social Justice Statement

Official Brisbane Launch by Archbishop Mark Coleridge
Theme: MENTAL HEALTH

Wednesday 19th August, 2020 7pm for 7.30pm start.

St James Parish Hall
92 Kirkland Ave, Coorparoo
Gold Coin Entry - Proceeds to St. Vincent de Paul Society.

RSVP: Monday 17th August 2020

Scan with your phone camera to register.



Ordination to Priesthood of Deacon Quang Tuyen Pham OSA on **Saturday 1st August 2020 at 10am.** This will be held in its entirety at the Sister Patricia Tully Hall, Emmaus Catholic College, Kemps Creek NSW



Trish's work hours have begun the process of returning to normal...

**Hours: Mon / Wed 8.30-2.30 (from Priory office)
Fri 8.30-2.30 (from home)**

Social Justice

Significate Dates JULY:



Saturday 11: World Population Day.

Sunday 12: 1971: Aboriginal Flag first flown, Adelaide SA.

Tuesday 14: 1995: proclamation of Aboriginal Flag and Torres Strait Islander Flag as official flags of Australia.

Thursday 16: 1945: detonation of the first atomic bomb, New Mexico USA.

Friday 17: World Emoji Day.

This day was created by Emojipedia to celebrate the use of emojis. An emoji is a small digital image or icon used to convey an idea or emotion.

They originated on Japanese mobile phones in 1997 and became increasingly popular worldwide in the 2010s.



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HELPING THE AUGUSTINIANS - DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS



This year's Annual Appeal to support our Vietnam Mission, Seminary Trust Fund and Augustinian Volunteers will be held in August, around the time of St Augustine's Day. Thanks to those who may have made donations prior to the end of the financial year. There are various ways you can contribute to the Order and receive a tax deduction:

Augustinian Seminary Trust Fund – Donations are used exclusively for the ongoing provision for our seminarians. Envelopes are available in our parishes and you can make a donation by cash, credit card or direct deposit - **Account Name:** Augustinian Seminary Trust; **BSB:** 082 146; **Account Number** 13 610 4220; **Reference:** Please include your name.

Augustinian Volunteers Australia Trust Fund - If you would like to know more about this ministry, please visit our website: www.augustinianvolunteersaustralia.org You can donate via our website or by direct deposit - **Account Name:** Augustinian Volunteers Australia Trust Fund; **BSB:** 062 287; **Account Number:** 1043 4293; **Reference:** Please include your name.

Augustinian Vietnam Mission Fund (Not tax deductible) - Donations will assist the recently established Augustinian Community in Vietnam. You can make a donation by cash or direct deposit - **Account Name:** Augustinian Vietnam Mission Fund; **BSB:** 082 146 **Account Number:** 7359 03067; **Reference:** Please include your name.

Mailing address is: Order of St Augustine, PO Box 7278 Warringah Mall, Brookvale NSW 2100. Please contact the Province Office on (02) 9938 0200 or Anna Heath at anna.heath@osa.org.au for further information.

We thank you for your generous support!

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Next Sunday's Readings: **16th Sunday Ordinary Time First Reading** *Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19* In the place of sin, you give repentance.

Second Reading *Romans 8: 26-27* The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.

Gospel Reading *Matthew 13: 24-43* Let them grow together until the harvest.

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