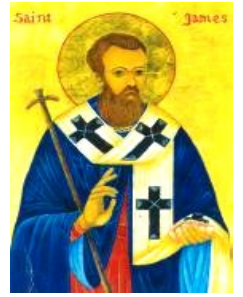


# ASCENSION OF THE LORD YR C 2022 29 MAY

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



## BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

As parents, we know how important it is to put up a united front. Children learn at a very early age whom to go to when they want certain things. And sometime before early adolescence, they also learn the technique of "divide and conquer." It is important for parents not to let their guard down.

After a few years of being married (or perhaps working through shared custody), as parents you will know what issues you tend to disagree about. Don't let your child take advantage of this knowledge.

As parents, make a pact that when conflicts concerning the welfare of the children come up, you will discuss them before making any final decisions. For example, if a child comes to you with a request after she has already asked her other parent, simply respond: "We (your parents) will talk about (the request), later and we'll get back to you with our decision." Whether children know it or not, they need to have parents who back each other up.

I learned from my own parents to always show respect for my husband. In all of my growing up years, I never heard my dad or mom speak one word against the other. And my siblings and I certainly were not allowed to speak disrespectfully to or about them.

We were never allowed to call my mother, she, or my dad, he. My dad (who was from Poland), told us that every language except English had a distinct pronoun to use when speaking to people we were to respect. So Mom was always Mom and Dad was Dad. It was a habit my sisters and I formed when we were young and keep to this day. It was something my husband and I tried to teach our own children.



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"He who made the promise is trustworthy."

### Sheepish Question:

How does hope in God's promise affect my willingness to step out in faith?

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**National Reconciliation Week 2022** theme, "Be Brave. Make Change" is a challenge to all Australians— individuals, families, communities, organisations and government—to Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can Make Change for the benefit of all Australians. National Reconciliation Week—27 May to 3 June—is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.



**Prayer of Aboriginal People** (For the Pope's visit to Australia in 1986, Aboriginal people composed the following prayer for the ceremony in Alice Springs. This prayer now is prayed by many Catholic Aboriginal groups around the country.)

*Father of all, you gave us the Dreaming. You have spoken to us through our beliefs. You then made your love clear to us in the person of Jesus. We thank you for your care. You own us. You are our hope. Make us strong as we face the problems of change. We ask you to help the people of Australia to listen to us and respect our culture. Make the knowledge of you grow strong in all people, so that you can be at home in us and we can make a home for everyone in our land. Amen.*

## This Sunday's Readings

**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.

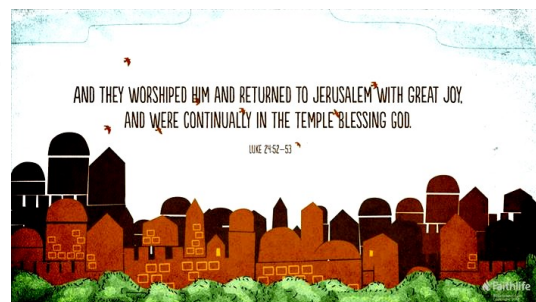
**Gospel Reading Luke 24: 46-53** *While blessing them he was taken to heaven.*

**Jesus said** to his disciples:

'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.



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## Sacramental Preparation



### Sacramental Program for First Holy Communion (2022)

Tuesday 6pm May 31st **First Holy Communion Session 1** in our Church.  
Tuesday 6pm June 7th **First Holy Communion Session 2** in our Church.  
Tuesday 6pm June 14th **First Holy Communion Session 3 + Rehearsal** Church.  
Saturday June 18th 6pm mass / Sunday June 19th 9am mass **First Communion Mass** with St James parish.



**Dear God, I know that You give me many gifts.**

*The gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ in Holy Communion is the greatest of all. How can I ever thank You enough for this special gift? At Mass we are called to be like Jesus, by loving and serving one another in the world. As I become more like Him, please continue to help me. Show me the places and ways that I can bring Your love, kindness, and peace to others.... in my family, in my neighborhood, in my community, with my friends. I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

*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:** Kaye Johns; Mary Collins; Angela O'Hanlon; Fr John Maguire; Des Crawford; Eufracia Macion Baya; Phyllis Shannon.

**And these anniversaries:** Luciant Elicano; Liao Loon; Neill Heydon; Eulogio & Flaviana Diaz.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Carmel Curran; Gregory Smith; Neil Scanlan; Trevor Ketter; Kevin Sheehan; Loreto Paterson; Lenore Girard; Juanquin Andrei Creer; Fr Ron Mollison; Neil Pokari-er; John & Noela McCormick; Irasema Ramirez Castro; Mim Martin; Kerry See; Bryan O'Connell.



## Parish news

**Donating via Envelopes with Cash... Envelopes available**

**Offering Envelopes**

**shortly.** Did you want to donate to our parish and our Augustinians via Envelopes? Give us a call to have your envelopes prepared.



**Next Healing + Anointing Mass** will be **Friday 3rd June 2022 @ 9am.** There will be a cuppa held in the Priory after this Anointing Mass. Everyone welcome.



We would love you to join us for the Romero Centre Welcome Walk **on 20 June** 3ks or 6ks starting from Orleigh Park, West End from 8am, - so no one should ever have to walk alone. Register and start your fundraising here:- <https://bit.ly/3ufqDGp> —all donations are tax deductible.



### Beginning Term 3, 2022 ...

At St James Parish, our children will take part in the Sacrament of Confirmation in Term 3. Children will have been baptised and their certificate copy will be sent to our parish.

**Children will be in Year 3, or children may be older than this.**

Please email [osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au) with your interest and let us know if your child will be at St James Parish for our Sacrament of Confirmation program.



### Position Vacant – Funeral Director's Assistant

Applications are open for the above position at Holy Cross Funerals. The position is a casual position. For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers. **Applications close: 3 June 2022**



## MAY

Eventbrite); **Ascension of the Lord (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms**

**29 Sunday Baptismal preparation morning 10.30am in the church**

**31 Tuesday 6pm First Holy Communion Session 1** in our church

## JUNE 2022

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

**3 Friday @ 9am Anointing mass + cuppa afterwards** in Priory

**4 / 5 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation**

(book through Eventbrite); **Pentecost Sunday (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am) No Baptisms**

**7 Tuesday 6pm First Holy Communion Session 2** church

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

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

**11 / 12 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Eventbrite); **Most Holy Trinity (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am);**

## Parish news

**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. Register at:

[Bit.ly/SOOTLaunch](https://bit.ly/SOOTLaunch)

Catholic Justice & Peace Commission of the Archdiocese of Brisbane and the Office for Justice Ecology & Peace of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.



**Archbishop Mark also invites all those involved with RCIA to celebrate on the Feast of Pentecost, Sunday 5th of June 2022 at the midday Mass in the Cathedral.**

Families, parish RCIA members and support people are all welcome to come along and celebrate this special occasion along with those who have been baptised and received into the Church at Easter. All are encouraged to bring along a picnic to share after Mass and coffee vans available—contact Lisa McKerr Evangelisation Brisbane on 3324 3458 or Clare Schwantes Liturgy Brisbane on 3324 3321.



**How to place names of loved ones in our prayer list for masses and bulletin...** We do not keep an annual list of names to be prayed for.

During 2022, let us know your loved one/s name/s; occasion for prayer: *ill; anniversary; recently deceased*; date / day for mass - and make a donation with these details on your envelope. Drop the envelope in collection plate / in letterbox near Priory doorbell / in Sacristy book.

- **Phone** our parish office (phone 3397 1671)
- **Email** our parish office ([osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au))
- **Visit Sacristy** after mass and ask the priest to place details in book.

## Planned Giving for the Week of 22 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 #: <a href="#">100019791</a>	<b>\$517.45</b>	<b>\$260</b>	<b>\$390</b>	<b>\$165</b>	<b>\$1,332.45</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <a href="#">100005891</a>	<b>\$459.65</b>	<b>\$260</b>	<b>\$380</b>	<b>\$245</b>	<b>\$1,344.65</b>

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## Administration

Parish Priest	Fr Francis Belciña OSA	3397 1671
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Finance Committee	Mark Garden	3397 1671
Pastoral Care	Parish Office	3397 1671
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 28 / 29** Sylvia & John

**June 4 / 5** Lorie & Lea

Next week	Pentecost Sunday June 5	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (1st weekend)	Denise D	n/a	Friends Filo Group	
COMMENTATOR	Sylvia P	Berenice T-F	Pat M	
LECTOR	David P	Don T	Judith R	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Helen D Collette S	Marj N	Sean H Christine U-M Ray M	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R / helper	Gene T-F / helper	Lea S / Lalan C	
POWERPOINT	Paul D	Gilbert / helper	June / helper	
HOSPITALITY	Karen / Edward	Brendon / Trish	Cathy + Else C	

## Next Sunday's Readings

**Pentecost Sunday**  
(Year C/2)

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

**Second Reading** *Romans 8: 8-17* Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God.

**Gospel Reading** *John 14: 15-16, 23-26* The Holy spirit will teach you everything.

For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website.

