# **18TH SUNDAY ORDINARY YR C 2019** 03 / 04 AUGUST

## The Parish of St James Coorparoo

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



## **Bringing Home the Gospel**

Jesus tells the crowd a parable about a rich man whose harvest was so abundant that he does not have room enough to store it in his barns. Rather than share his bounty, he decides to tear down his old buildings and build larger ones. "Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions' (v. 15. Luke 12:13-21).

n this parable, Jesus isn't condemning the rich; he is telling us that if we have money, we need to use it wisely. When we have taken what we need, Jesus cautions us not to forget those who are in need. Jesus doesn't believe in stockpiling or building up a surplus. He has a much more global view of things.

Jesus is asking us to determine for ourselves just how much is enough. How many barns do we have to fill before we have enough? How many bank accounts? How many electronic devices, clothes or cars do we need? How big a house is big enough? Jesus is telling us it is spiritually prudent to share our abundance with those less fortunate.

We are asked to trust in God's care rather than a surplus of grain or stocks or money. We are told that the world has enough resources to provide for all her inhabitants. Imagine a world where those resources were shared and everyone had enough, a world without greed. Imagine what it would be like if people were satisfied with what they have and did not covet other people's land

or car or lifestyle. This is the world God planned. This is the world of God's reign. This is the world we are all asked to work toward.



### **FAMILY RESPONSE**

Consider giving a family gift to some charity. Ask family members to decide what they can do to save the money and to whom it should be given.

### **PERSONAL RESPONSE**

What do you have a tendency to stockpile? Why do you think you have the need for so much? List three things you are willing to give away to a deserving charity.

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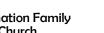
Take care to guard against greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

### Sheepish Question:

What action(s) might change my perspective regarding goals in life?

### **AUGUST**

- 5 (Monday) 6pm, Confirmation Family
- Session #1, at St James Church
- 7 (Wednesday) Friends of St Augustine gathering.
- 8 (Thursday) Feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop, mass at St Stephen's Cathedral at 10am
- 8 7pm Cruci, Loreto College, Coorparoo; Lecture by Dr Elaine McDonald, "Bearers of a Dangerous Memory: The Prophetic Legacy of Mary Ward"
- 10/11 4.30-5.30pm Saturday Reconciliation; 19th Sunday Ordinary Time
- 14 (Wednesday) EKKA; Vigil Mass 7pm, Feast of the Assumption of the BVM
- 15 (Thursday) 8am Mass, Feast of the Assumption of the BVM; start of QCMF
- 15-18 QLD Catholic Schools and Colleges Music Festival (QCMF) 2019
- 17/18 4.30-5.30pm Saturday Reconciliation; 20th Sunday Ordinary Time
- 19 (Monday) 6pm, Confirmation Family Session #2, at St James Church
- 20 (Tuesday) 7.30pm, Parish Finance Council Meeting
- 24/25 4.30-5.30pm Saturday Reconciliation; 21st Sunday Ordinary Time
  - Confirmation Kids, Presentation of the Creed at the 9am Mass
  - Parish celebration of St Augustine's Feast on all Masses this weekend.
  - Augustinian Seminary Appeal
- 27 (Tuesday) Feast of St Monica, Mother of St Augustine, 8am mass
- 28 (Wednesday) SOLEMNITY OF ST AUGUSTINE of HIPPO 9am mass





Next Sunday's Readings
Wisdom 18:6-9 Just

as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by calling us to you. Second Reading Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 We will look for the city designed and built by God. Gospel Reading Luke 12: 32-48 See that you are prepared.

For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website (look for the Prayer tab). www.stjamescoorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings.

### **Parish news**

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

Sacrament of Confirmation August 5th (Monday 6pm Church) Family session 1; August 19th (Monday 6pm Church) Family session 2; August 25th (Sunday 9am mass Church) Presentation of the Creed; September 16th (Monday 6pm Church) Family session 3 + practice; September 19th (Thursday 6pm Church) Confirmation Ceremony with Archbishop Mark.

**Bearers of a Dangerous Memory: The Prophetic** Legacy of Mary Ward Dr Elaine McDonald

Date: Thursday 8 August, 7pm Cruci, Loreto College Coorparoo For more info contact: Nicole Earley, Community Engagement Manager community@loreto.qld.edu.au

Booking link: http://bit.ly/DrElaineMcDonald2019

## HELPING THE AUGUSTINIANS -**DONATIONS AND BEOUESTS**

This year's Annual Appeal to support our Seminary Trust Fund and other ministries will be held in August, around the time of St Augustine's Day. There are various ways you can contribute to the Order (and receive a tax deduction in two of the these):

Augustinian Seminary Trust Fund – Donations are used exclusively for the ongoing provision for our studentseminarians. Envelopes will be available in the next few days in our parish 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 Vietnam Mission Fund (Not tax deductible) -

Donations will assist the establishment of an Augustinian Community in Vietnam later this year. 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.

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: Please pray for recently deceased: Brian Cameron; Trish Bartlett; Lyn de Belen; Ailsa Rose; Loreto McCafferty; Joan O'Learly; Paul Donohue And these anniversaries: Marie O'Reilly;

Kathleen Ryan; Anaclito Seares; Sofronio Negres; Bernadette Andersien; Albert Heeg Jr.; Robert Romano;

Frank Toscano; Angela Romano; Girolamo Romano Please pray for these unwell: Trish Rashad;

Jocelyn Tibayan; Fred Mulcahy; Marj Norris; Jan Evans; Liam O'Reilly; Daphne Thorpe; Luke Farrelly; David Lindsay; Carmel & Bryan O'Connell; Michael & Kathleen Simpson; Steven McSwan.

### Please give prayers and welcome to these baptismal children:

Xyris Caisip; William & Stevie Smith.

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

### **OCMF INVITATION**

Parishioners are reminded that St James Church and Hall, as well as school park- . Music Fostival ing, will be used as venues during the

Queensland Catholic Schools and Colleges Music Festival (Thursday 15th to Sunday 18th August).

Thank you to St James Parish and School for your co-operation and the use of facilities during the festival. Please come and join us at St James and Villanova College to hear some great music and choral singing. Free festival passes and programs for parishioners are available from Trish at the Parish Office in the week leading up to the festival.

Would you like to volunteer and assist this fantastic Festival? One way to volunteer is to visit this volunteer portal www.gcmfvolunteering.com.au & click "Register for me". (For more information, visit www.gcmf.com.au)

Friends of St Augustine Travelling Congress presents **SHARING THE** JOY OF THE GOSPEL with Keynote speaker—Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA. Don't miss this special opportunity to hear respected biblical scholar, Fr Kieran OSA,



**QUEENSLAND CATHOLIC** 

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 —includes morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea. Registration Closes: Thursday 22 August via bookings to Parish Office 3397 1671 or email osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au

Augustinian Volunteers Australia Trust Fund; **BSB:** 062 287; Account Number: 1043 4293; 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!