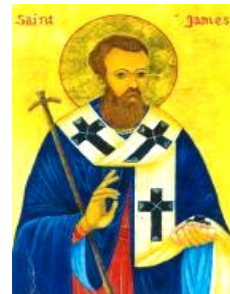


# CORPUS CHRISTI YR B 2021 6 JUNE

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



### Reflections from Plenary Council 2021

Due to COVID-19, the first Plenary Council assembly has been moved to October 2021, and will now be conducted in a multi-modal format across Australia, combining online and face-to-face aspects, with the second assembly being held July 2022 in Sydney.

'Listen to What the Spirit is Saying' is the theme of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. 'Continuing the journey of Discernment toward the Plenary Council' initiated the process of discerning what will be the main areas discussed at the Council assembly. The working paper (*Instrumentum Laboris*) called 'Continuing the Journey' evolved from the consultation phase of the process and will be a significant part of further discernment during the assembly of members during October 2021.

"Fan the Flame" is a prayer and reflection resource package that could be used in a number of settings in parishes, schools, universities, hospitals and aged care facilities to name a few. The material is designed in such a way that it can be adjusted to suit your environment. Let us pray as we walk together the journey of the Plenary Council toward the October 2021 Assembly and beyond.

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/)

Plenary Council 2020  
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...



### Parish Priest

It's been a little time since I have communicated updates in the parish. I have a few to share, in this format anyway: (1) Firstly, for quite some time now, especially during 2020 (amidst Covid-19) and until the present time, the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) has been meeting—this was an interim group. That time period was needed, and has given myself and others some needed space, to discern what the PPCouncil's role is in the life of our Parish. Prayer and discernment as well, were spent during that period, to dialogue with a few parishioners who have wonderfully said "yes" to offer their gifts and be part of our new PPC. Just so you know, this new group will be meeting for the first time **this Monday evening** (7 June, 7.30pm). We are hoping that soon we will have the chance to present ourselves to the community as your new PPC. **PLEASE PRAY** that with hearts aflamed we may journey together well, for the good of the Church, through serving the parish in this way. (2) Secondly, the Parish Finance Council (PFC) is also mostly composed of new members who have been meeting formally since November 2020. Please be advised that there will be a Sunday coming, when one or two members of the PFC will address the parish during the Masses. (3) Our pilot season of ALPHA will conclude this coming Wednesday. Yes, we are only in the beginning stages of our ongoing "intentional" steps towards transforming our community and culture, so we are **more "invitational", more "outward looking", & more "trusting in the gifts of the Holy Spirit"**. Be part of building this culture in our Parish! A new season of ALPHA begins in August 2021 (to be launched on 31st July). In a few weeks time, you will certainly be hearing more of this. (4) Finally, on Wednesday, 2nd June, the Parish underwent a Safeguarding Audit conducted by representatives from the Archdiocese. We at St James continue our commitment to working and maintaining our Parish as a safe place for children and vulnerable adults.

**P.S.** Just a clarification: a few weeks ago when I requested a couple of weeks break (after my Papa Arturo's passing during Holy Week), I spent it mostly at Coolum QLD, and not in the Philippines, as a few may still happen to be thinking. Maybe soon after vaccination and when int'l. borders open? When? IDK. FR.ancis, osa

### Ordination Day for Fr Tuan Anh OSA



Many thanks to George De Paoli and The Catholic Leader for these pics.

# BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

## The Greatest Sacrament

*Like all good Jews, Jesus and the apostles prepare for the Passover. The apostles secure a place for them to eat and celebrate the ancient ceremony of their faith. During the meal, at one of the ritual blessings, Jesus offers himself as a blessing—a blessing we continue to celebrate every day.*

I have a great love for symmetry, and so I enjoy looking at trees and knowing that the branches that stretch to the sky have roots digging deep into the earth. In most healthy trees, the roots mirror the branches digging down, as far out and wide as the branches above them. People are very similar. If we hope to be healthy and whole, we need to be equally balanced, firmly rooted in the concrete reality of our lives while reaching out in the uncertainty of faith for all that is and can be.

We reach out, stretching for God, offering praise and seeking answers, but if we aren't firmly rooted in the ordinary things of our life, we're going to fall over. At the same time, we will be pretty



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"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me?"

shallow people if we

live out our days stuck in the earth without constantly stretching toward our life source.

That's why the sacraments are such a perfect gift. The church celebrates seven different ways we can reach out for God's grace and receive God's life through ordinary physical things. Each sacrament has its own concrete sign, something that we can see, hear and feel that not only reminds us of the grace we receive in the sacrament, but also provides it.

The Blessed Sacrament is God's supreme gift. I become one with the Body of Christ in the very concrete signs of the faithful assembled, the Word broken open, the priest and, most especially. The blessed bread and wine; I share in Jesus' divinity just as he shared in my humanity. Jesus, you see, was the first and greatest sacrament—a concrete sign that God's life was with us and in us.

In a sense, everything visible is a kind of sacrament. Even the trees I so love are signs of God's love inviting us to love God in return.

### FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each person to look around the room and find something that reminds them of themselves. Share your responses.

### PERSONAL RESPONSE

How do you best relate to Jesus? What is your relationship to Jesus in the Eucharist? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

### Sheepish Question:

How do I treat Christ's life as real food?

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

## Vinnies Winter Appeal 2021

### HELP END THE PAIN OF POVERTY

Every day at the St Vincent de Paul Society, we see that ordinary people are able to make an extraordinary difference in their local communities. We are inspired by the joy of the Gospels and our Catholic social teachings to do things that matter. The spirit to feed, heal, shelter, nurture, and inspire – the power to change lives – is in everyone.



**Vinnies**  
good works

As we enter this winter in the shadow of coronavirus, your commitment to helping those experiencing disadvantage, poverty, loneliness and homelessness is still very much needed and appreciated.

If you are able to make a contribution to the Vinnies Winter Appeal, please do so today. Please help us to help others. If you wish to give a **financial donation**, envelopes for this purpose will be available at the door or on the pews. **ALTERNATIVELY** - You may wish to make a **direct deposit** to:

**BSB 064786**

**ACCT No. 100026564**

**ACCT NAME**

**SVDP St James Conference Coorparoo...**

**THANK YOU for your generous support.**





## Prayers

### Please pray for recently deceased:

June Deane; Leopoldo Ignacio; Gail Davies; Nida Bongcayao; Desley Whitehouse; Julie Darling; Maree Neehouse; George Wright.

**And these anniversaries:** Max Spencer; Ted Nelson; Barbara Sanguio; Rebecca Herft; Larry O'Connell; Arthur Castillo.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Alana Petersen; Des Crawford; Susan Blunt; Frank Cassidy; Manon Hollander; Hugo Abril; Marilou Balatinsayo; Martin Dalton; Lani & John Szeremeta; Nigel Richards; Paolo Primavera; Justin Meehan; Roberta Haley; Michael Simpson; Bronis & Gail Dmitronow.



## Parish news

### Confirmation Sacramental

Program for our children...

**Sunday 9am June 6th** Presentation of The Creed during Mass.

**Wednesday 6pm June 9th**

Family Session 3 / Rehearsal.

**Wednesday 7pm June 16th**

Confirmation with Bishop Ken Howell.

**Please Pray For Me sheet—please take one home and pray for that child as they travel through.**



**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 2021, 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 note down name/s in Sacristy book.

**Thank you to 9am Sunday parishioners** for your assistance and hospitality at Fr Tuan's first mass on 23rd May—if you left a container / plate behind in the hall, **please come to the Priory kitchen** as they have been left there.

**Candles 50c or Gold coin donation** at each candle stand in the 4 corners of our church.

### CARITAS INDIA APPEAL

Donations link here: <https://caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia-emergency-appeal/>.



## JUNE

**9 Wednesday 6.30pm – 9.15pm Alpha program:** (organised by YAM for our parish) – **final session.**

**12 / 13 Saturday 4.30–5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Eventbrite); **Year B/1 11th Sunday Ordinary Time** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am) **No Baptisms.**

**16 Sacrament of Confirmation – 7pm in the church.**

**18 Friday 9am mass.**

**19 Saturday evening St James School Trivia Night** (parish hall).

**19 / 20 Saturday 4.30–5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Eventbrite); **Year B/1 12th Sunday Ordinary Time** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am) **No Baptisms.**

**20 Sunday 9am Thanksgiving mass for Confirmandees:** Sacramental Program children.

**26 / 27 Saturday 4.30–5.30pm Reconciliation** (book through Eventbrite); **Year B/1 13th Sunday Ordinary Time** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am) **No Baptisms.**

**Come join the Brisbane East Deanery Scripture Study Group.** This study will run over 8 weeks with each session approx. 90mins.

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible**

Dates confirmed ...

**+ Wednesdays from 7 July morning**  
**Our Lady of Graces.**

**+ Fridays from 9 July evening**

**St James.** We will also be running a

**24week Bible Timeline Course**

which is the extended version of **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** for those interested: email

[stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au) or contact Louise Simento Ph: 0456700040 for details.



### Offering Envelopes



**Thanksgiving donation envelopes** (for July 2021—June 2022) will be available at the side entrance of our church shortly. If you would like to contribute via this way, please give us a call—office 3397 1671.



### AUGUSTINIAN VIETNAM MISSION FUND (not tax deductible)

Donations will be used to assist the new Augustinian Community in Saigon with their setup costs which include preparation to invite young Vietnamese to test their vocation in the Augustinian *Come and See Program*. 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

### Planned Giving for the Week of 30th May, 2021

Collection Account numbers have now changed from 1st March	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection Augustinian Priory</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100019791</b>	<b>\$880.10</b>	<b>\$220</b>	<b>\$337</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>\$1,437.10</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100005891</b>	<b>\$460.45</b>	<b>\$215</b>	<b>\$237</b>	<b>only</b>	<b>\$912.45</b>

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## Administration

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Parish Council Chairperson	Ray Mitchell	3892 1682
Finance Committee	Mark Garden	3397 1671
Pastoral Care	Parish Office	3397 1671
Safeguarding Officer	Kate Pearson	3397 1671

## This Sunday's Readings **Corpus Christi—Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

**First Reading** *Exodus 24: 3-8* This is the blood of the

Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

**Second Reading** *Hebrews 9: 11-15* The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

**Gospel Reading** *Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26* This is my body. This is my blood.



## 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 2nd July @ 9am.**

**ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 2nd July.**

**NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY (at this stage).**

## Counters

**June 5 / 6** Lenore & Brendon

**June 12 / 13** Lorie & Lea

<b>Next week</b> 11th Ordinary June 12 / 13	<b>VIGIL</b> <b>SATURDAY 6PM</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>7AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>9AM</b>
CHOIR	Carina Family Choir	n/a	YAM & Dan F
COMMENTATOR	Bill S	Merina M	John W
LECTOR	Mark G	Jana V	Leo B
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ron S Anne S	Berenice T-F Marj N	Mike S Morag S
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R	Gene T-F	Leah S
POWERPOINT	Paul D	Gilbert / John D	Di / June S
MARSHAL	Lorie / Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	Cathy M

## Next Sunday's Readings **11th Sunday Ordinary Time**

**First Reading** *Ezekiel 17: 22-24* I have made the small tree great.

**Second Reading** *2 Corinthians 5: 6-10* Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.

**Gospel Reading** *Mark 4: 26-34* The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

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