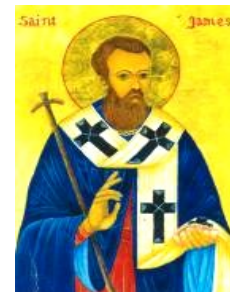


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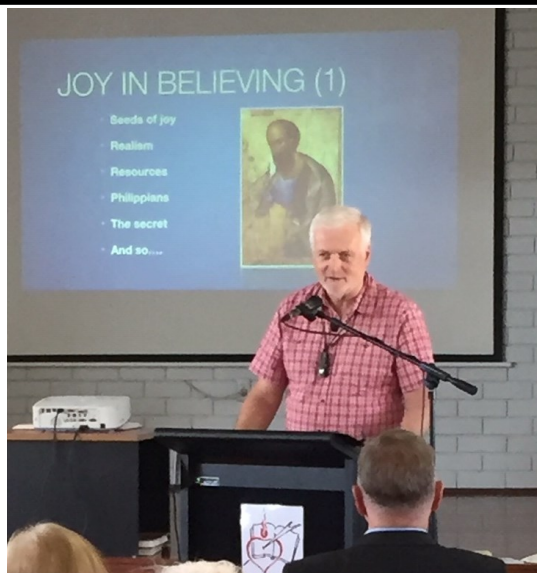
View From The Pews

Friends of St Augustine hosted a

"travelling congress" last Saturday,

with the focus on the Joy of Believing. The keynote speaking was Father Kieran O'Mahony OSA who teaches and ministers in the Archdiocese of Dublin. It was a marvelous opportunity to hear someone with Kieran's knowledge, enthusiasm and ability to communicate the theme of joy in the writings of St Paul. If I could suggest one challenge to all in our parish community it would be to read closely the Letter to the Philippians. It is sometimes referred to as "the letter of joy" and after spending some time reading it in faith there is little doubt that you will discover why it is so named. The day was a great success and I do hope you can experience part of the congress by a close reading of Paul writing to his beloved community in Philippi.

Ray (Friends of St Augustine Coorparoo)



Bringing Home the Gospel

God Is Number One

Jesus tells the crowds following him that being his disciple can be costly. They have to be ready to accept the crosses of their lives, and perhaps even the scorn of their closest friends and relatives. They have to be ready to give up everything, if necessary, to follow him and his teachings. "...[N]one of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions" (v. 33)

Jesus is not suggesting that having possessions is wrong or that we should give up everything we own. He is saying that nothing of this world should be valued more highly than our relationship with him and with those we love. I learned what this meant when my daughter was fourteen.

One of my most precious possessions at that time was a beautiful porcelain statue from Spain that my husband had given me on a special anni-versary. One day, while dusting the living room, my daughter dropped the statue and it broke. The scene that followed is indelibly recorded in my head. I went into a rage and my wonderful only daughter ended up literally backed into a corner. In a graced moment, the fear in her eyes got through to me, and I stopped yelling. I realized that nothing was worth hurting this precious child the way I was hurting her.

My initial reaction to the broken Lladro startled me. It was as though I valued that piece of porcelain more than my own child. I knew that wasn't true, but my response to its loss frightened me. From that day on, I decided I would never own anything that I wasn't ready to let go of in the blink of an eye.

My life has been a lot happier since then.

I know I'm entitled to own nice things (and I have some beautiful keepsakes in my home), but my things are not entitled to own me. How sad it is when our happiness depends on what we have or don't have. I think that is what Jesus meant when he said, "Happy are those who are poor in Spirit."

FAMILY RESPONSE

Have everyone in the household name two things in the house that are most important to them (no more than two things, and people or pets don't count). You may be surprised at what they choose.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Are you attached to some things? What possession is most precious to you? Are brand names important when you shop? Why?

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Today's Readings

First Reading *Wisdom 9: 13-18* Who can comprehend the will of God? **Second Reading** *Philemon 9-10, 12-17* Receive, him, not as a slave anymore, but as a very dear brother. **Gospel Reading** *Luke 14: 25-33* All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

For complete Sunday's readings, visit our [St James website](http://www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings) (look for the Prayer tab).

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Please pray for recently deceased: Margaret Osborne; Margery Keller; Madeleine Anderson; Loreto McCafferty.

And these anniversaries: Kathleen Susan Simpson; John Romano; Concetta Toscano.

Please pray for these unwell: Nigel Richards; Steven McSwan; Jenny Porter; Rosa Marin; Katrina Newdigin; Jocelyn Tibayan; Fred Mulcahy; Jan Evans; David Lindsay; Carmel & Bryan O'Connell; Michael, Kathleen & Mary-Clare Simpson.



Please give prayers and welcome to these baptismal children:

Frankie & Pippa Feuerriegel.

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



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

Social Justice

**SIGNIFICANT DATES
SEPTEMBER:**

Saturday 7: National Threatened Species Day

Sunday 8: Child Protection Sunday.

Tuesday 10: World Suicide Prevention Day.

Wednesday 11: 2001: 9/11 terrorist attacks on NY and Washington DC, killing nearly 3,000 people.

Thursday 12: Death of Steve Biko (anti-apartheid).

Friday 13: 2007: adoption by UN of Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.



2nd September National Child Protection Week...

We have remained dedicated to bringing the eradication of child abuse and neglect to the forefront of Australian society. Our passionate and capable staff work under the guidance of a highly experienced Board of Directors and we work with all levels of government, businesses, community services and organisations, families and individuals for the betterment of children and young people in our shared community.

By building stronger communities, we can create safer environments for children. www.napcan.org.au

Parish news

**St James Youth & Young Adults
invite you to a Spring Cookout**

**under the stars - Sunday 22nd September,
after 6pm mass. Gold coin donation would be
greatly appreciated to support the
ongoing youth activities of our parish.**

Next Scripture Study (new): **The Gospel of Matthew: The King and His Kingdom** by Jeff Cavins. The Study will commence on **Tuesday Oct. 1st** at St Thomas' Camp Hill / St James' Coorparoo at 6.30pm or **Wednesday Oct. 2nd** at Our Lady of Graces' Carina at 10.30 am. Louise Simento email: gps23@bigpond.com



Sacrament of Confirmation program concludes... September 16th (Monday 6pm Church) Family session 3 + practice; September 19th (Thursday 6pm Church) Confirmation Ceremony with Archbishop Mark.



Planned Giving for the Week ending 1 September (Week 1)

Collection	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
1 st Collection Augustinian [BSB: 064 786 Account #: 006160102]	\$1,016.85	\$383	\$135	Week 4	\$1,534.85
2 nd Collection Parish [BSB: 064 786 Account #: 006161103]	\$562.35	\$414	\$235	only	\$1,211.35

SEPTEMBER

7/8 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; **23rd Sunday Ordinary**
Annual Catholic Campaign for our Brisbane Archdiocese
10 Tuesday Liturgy meeting 7.30pm in the Priory
12 Thursday Trish to Professional Office Day for Archdiocese Parish staff
14/15 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; **24th Sunday Ordinary**
- Children's Liturgy
16 Monday 6pm Family session 3 + practice - Sacrament of Confirmation
18 Wednesday 7pm for 7.30pm start Brisbane East Deanery meeting: Our Lady of Mt Carmel.
19 Thursday 6pm Confirmation Ceremony with Archbishop Mark (celebration cake afterwards in the hall)
19 Trish on holidays (till 7th October) volunteers manning our parish phone :)
21/22 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; **25th Sunday Ordinary**
22 Sunday YYAM Spring BBQ after 6pm mass: gold coin donation.
23 Monday 7pm Pastoral Council Meeting in the Priory
25 Wednesday (Social Justice Statement 2019) Hall 6.45pm - 9pm.

Wednesday 25th September (Social Justice Statement 2019) for the discussion on ***Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world.*** This discussion will take place **St James Hall 6.45pm to 9pm.** Noticeboard has list of speakers and notes Archbishop Mark Coleridge will officially launch this discussion. Gold coin entry for St V de P. **Clipboard for attendees at the side entrance to the church** thank you. **RSVP 23rd September.**



You will note that we have new updated evacuation diagrams for our parish church and the priory. Check our exits and main thoroughfares for these evacuation diagrams. These evacuation diagrams are permanently displayed and show easiest and fastest exits to our emergency meeting point at St James Centenary Garden.

RCIA – ST JAMES (2019-2020)

Would you or anyone you know like to learn more about the Catholic Faith and Practice or how to become a Catholic? Starts in November 2019. Please contact Kevin on 3847 5778 or email kevmahoney2@bigpond.com, or the parish office



A note from Fr Dave Austin OSA...Many thanks for the beautiful card and very kind wishes of congratulations on my 50th Anniversary of Ordination. I have the happiest memories of the Parish Community of St James and appreciate your thoughtfulness at this time of celebration and thanksgiving.

Date claimer (all parishioners interested in social justice Health4Kids is a charitable organisation) St James hall Saturday 19th October: dinner and fundraiser event, an evening of great food, drink and friends (5-8pm). \$20 per person; plus a raffle to raise money for the campaign. (RSVP Dupsy 10th October 0481352292) Health4Kids is a charitable organisation that is officially registered in New-Zealand, Africa and recently registered here in Australia. Health4Kids primary goal aims at promoting long term health benefits to children by encouraging the avoidance of lifestyle that may lead to serious health consequences in adulthood. visit our website www.health4kidstrust.org Dupsy Alofokhai

Deanery news

**Next Brisbane East Deanery meeting:
Wednesday September 18th at Our Lady of
Mt Carmel, 7pm for 7.30pm start. All parishioners welcome.**



Palms Australia
Global Volunteering

Encounter Myanmar

*(see noticeboard) Still two places left on
an enlightening journey with the*

Executive Director of Palms Australia. Travelling November 16-29.

Enquire via email palms@palms.org.au or call 02 9560 5333.

Archdiocese news

Open invitation to the 2019 annual outdoor function of the Legion of Mary – Brisbane Comitium in conjunction with the blessing and opening of the Shrine of Our Lady of Akita at Marian Valley; 2541 Beechmont Rd, Canungra – to be held on Sunday 15th September (see noticeboard for more information).



2019 ANNUAL

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

7-8 September

Continuing the legacy of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, the **MacKillop School Access Fund** provides Catholic education to children whose families are in financial and often spiritual distress.

Your gift is the answer
to someone's prayer

Give today: 07 3324 3200
catholiccampaign.com.au

SEASON OF CREATION

You are invited to
Who Cares?
... for our common home.
Including supper
Monday 9th September
7.00-8.30 pm
The Aspinall Centre
4 Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt.
Ph 07 3648 1108

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Counters

September 7 / 8 Lenore & Brendon

September 14 / 15 Paul & Cecilia

NEXT WEEK September 14 / 15	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM CHN LITURGY	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	Ron S	Don T	Kate P	Leo B
LECTOR	Karleen O'R	Trish R	Ray M	Christine M
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Anne S Paul D Helen D	Heather L Yen Mai Vu *	Martin D Yen N Pat P	Rosemarie Y Benedict Denis S
HOSPITALITY	Elizabeth O'R Neville G	Gene T-F	Judith M	Bill S
ALTAR SERVERS	Deneb	Oliver, Gene	*	John, Rodel, Ramil, Alyssa, Klaris
POWERPOINT	Paul	John, Gilbert	Di, Oliver, June	Sydel

Mass Times

WEEKEND: Saturday 8 am; Vigil 6 pm;
Sunday 7 am, 9 am, 6 pm.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4.30—5.30 pm.

WEEKDAY: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8 am.

ADORATION: Thursday 8 am.

PRAYER GROUP: each morning prior to Mass.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 4th October 2019.

NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 4th October 2019, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 15th September 2019 — 9am mass.

Next Sunday's Readings

First Reading *Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14* The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened. **Second Reading** *1 Timothy 1: 12-17* Christ came to save sinners. **Gospel Reading** *Luke 15: 1-32* There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.

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