

# 16TH SUNDAY ORDINARY YR C 2022 17 JULY

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



### BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

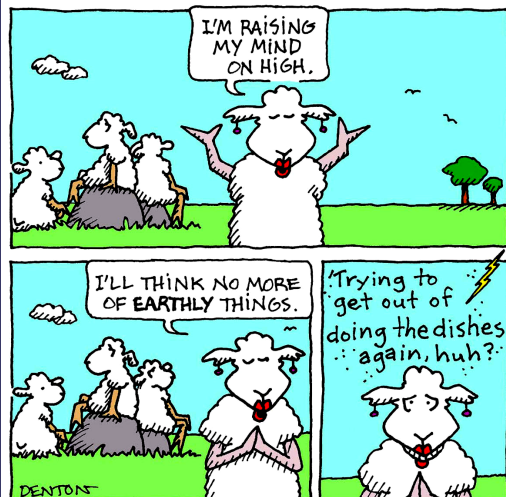
Martha was right: Mary, a woman living in first-century Palestine, should have been up and about cooking and serving. But as in so many other instances, Jesus ignores the social norms of his times. He tells Martha, and all of us, that it is often more important to be a listener than a doer.

Jesus wants us to be attentive to his presence, not only by spending time in prayer but also by recognizing him in the people we encounter, especially those

in need. Unfortunately, we are sometimes so intent on getting the grass cut that we just give a wave to our out-of-work neighbour. Or we're so busy getting a late dinner cooked that we miss the opportunity to talk to an eight-year-old who is having a really bad day.

There are always a dozen things that need to be done, and at least half of them need to be done right now. Jesus is telling us to prioritize. And when we prioritize, people always come first. So we look at the situation: overgrown grass, hungry kids, a concerned neighbour and a worried child. We know the grass can wait, and the kids won't starve. We go over to the neighbour or sit down with the child, and we listen.

When all is said and done, what does it matter if your house is immaculate and the beds are always made, or the garage is so clean you can see your face in the concrete? The bottom line is



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"You are anxious and worried about many things."

#### Sheepish Questions:

Which earthly "duties" get in the way of my spiritual life? Which ones enhance it?

always about relationships. Jesus is telling us how important it is to take time from our busy schedules to spend time with him in prayer, yes, but also to take time to engage in attentive listening to those in need.

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#### FAMILY RESPONSE

As a family, practice attentive listening. Have someone talk about a problem he or she is having at work or school. Make sure no one interrupts until the one who is speaking has finished his or her story. Ask questions to better understand the situation. Suggest solutions only if the person asks for them.

#### PERSONAL RESPONSE

Think of someone you know who is a good listener. What qualities make him or her that way? How good a listener are you? How can you be better?



**What is The Marriage Course?** Seven practical online sessions in the privacy of your own home covering topics from the art of communication, to resolving conflict, to the power of forgiveness. No group sharing, just time together for you and your partner.

To encourage participation of couples who are parishioners at St James, St James Parish will sponsor you as a couple to engage in this Marriage Course. Please let us know if you have a plan to register, or have registered by emailing [pp.stjames@bne.catholic.au](mailto:pp.stjames@bne.catholic.au); Subject: Marriage Course. The parish, having received a grant towards the parish Marriage Course, would like to support each couple and will be reimbursing the couple's registration (\$50). We will also offer a Door Dash gift card to assist each registered couple for their Date Nights! To register, scan the QR code, and please email the above address after you've joined & registered, so we can arrange reimbursement.

**DATE: Thursday nights beginning 4th August 2022 TIME: 7:30pm – 9pm (for seven weeks, finishing on 15th September)** LOCATION: Zoom (link will be shared after registration) COST: \$50 per couple (this is the cost of 2 Course journals — St James Parish will cover this cost for you, please let us know you are joining). **RSVP: Monday 25th July.** Hurry and join!



## This Sunday's Readings

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C/2)

First Reading *Genesis 18: 1-10* Lord, do not bypass your servant.

**The Lord appeared** to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

**Today's Psalm** 14(15):2-5 The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart;  
he who does not slander with his tongue.

He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord.

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever.

**Second Reading** *Colossians 1: 24-28* The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

**It makes me happy** to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 10: 38-42* Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

**Jesus came** to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'



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### Parish Priest

To all concerned parishioners of St James: I am writing this note to sincerely apologise for the shock or hurt caused by the current state of the St James Centenary Garden. I'm sorry for the confusion and unintended harm caused by this incidence.

I am very sorry if there has been some misinformation going around or statements that caused anyone distress, e.g. that the garden is destroyed, or that no consultation was sought, etc. On the contrary, the action was a decision by a group of current hardworking caretakers of the garden, with my blessing.

Please know the original intention of the garden has always been that whatever is planted could be maintained sustainably. The aim for the Parish Centenary Garden (not a public garden, but a garden of the Parish) is to be a garden that has sustainability in all aspects, including but not limited to volunteers, aesthetics, water consumption and regular maintenance. For anyone who would like to be involved with the replanting of the new garden, I encourage you to contact our parish office.

For everyone's information and clarity, the plants in front of Kirkland Ave were planted there without my blessing and without my expressed approval. I have communicated this reasonably for a number of times to a garden volunteer before, but my words were not heeded. As a result, the roots and water that regularly watered the ground have affected and created more impairment to the boundary brick wall.

I am very sorry for my lack of active management in these instances.

**Once again, I apologise for the distress that this incidence has caused anyone.**

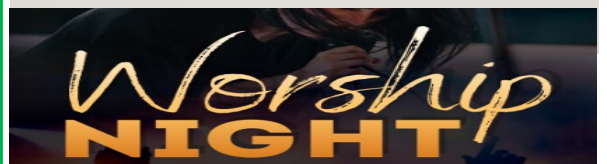
Yours sincerely, Fr Francis, OSA

**WORSHIP NIGHT**  
**SUNDAY, 31 JULY**  
**05:30PM - 06:30PM**



**St James Parish Church**

FELLOWSHIP AND DINNER AFTER. PLEASE COME AND JOIN US, ALSO FEEL FREE TO BRING FAMILY, FRIENDS ETC.



The Romero Centre has provided Ali with a safe sanctuary and has assisted him with accommodation, care packs, migration advice and ESL classes, and is working closely with him to address his mental health issues. Ali's story is not an isolated one, and it is with the generous support of our community that the Romero Centre over the last 20 years has been able to help thousands of individuals and families in circumstances like Ali's.

Please donate at <https://bit.ly/3tbRCSr>

*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:**

Robyn Mallon; Marleny Florian de Roncancio; Erlinda Munn; Paul Sullivan; Gregory Smith; Coco Ortega.

**And these anniversaries:**

Bruce Smith; Tomas Canlas; Sr M Dorothea; Derek Heiser; Lorenza Rivera.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Keith Mann; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan; Mary Greene; Ray Mitchell; June Olave; June Jones; Josefina King; Cate Galloway; Sr Catherine Hefferan RSM; Rex Urbano; Juanita Castro Flores; Patricia Vazquez Marin; Arlene Diaz; Ian Diete; Carmel Curran.

**Please pray for these Baptismal children:**

Theodore Armenis.



## Parish news

**TERM 3, 2022  
SACRAMENT OF**

**CONFIRMATION** (Year 3 or older; or 8 years old minimum)

**Tuesday 6pm 19 July** Parent info session in our Church

**Sunday 9am 24 July** Rite of Enrolment during 9am Mass in our Church

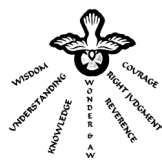
**Tuesday 6pm 26 July** Family session 1 in our Church

**Tuesday 6pm 2 August** Family session 2 in our Church

**Sunday 9am 7 August** Presentation of the Creed during 9am Mass in our Church

**Tuesday 6pm 9 August** Family session 3 & Rehearsal in our Church

**Sunday 9am 21 August** Confirmation of Confirmandeas during the 9am mass in our Church; followed by morning tea (parents to bring a plate to share)



**23 July (Saturday, 6:00 pm)** Parish + School St James Feast Day Celebration... No parking on school grounds on Saturday 23rd July Vigil mass. School community will have a School BBQ at 4.30pm. The School BBQ will be available for parish use after our Vigil mass. The movie viewing is postponed to await a warmer evening.

**26 July (Tuesday, 9.30 am)** Farewell Liturgy for Peter Gibson (APRE) in St James Church.

**Worship Night St James church 31st of July - 5:30pm**

**We are looking** for more garden volunteers in the planning and landscaping of our St James Cross Centenary Garden (initially). Family groups are very welcome. Contact Rosa [rositasa7@gmail.com](mailto:rositasa7@gmail.com) or our parish office [osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Social Justice Statement 2022 – 2023**

**Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse** from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. A Brisbane launch of the Social Justice Statement will take place at **St. James' Hall, 92 Kirkland Avenue, Coorparoo, on Tuesday 23 August, at 7 for 7:30 PM.** All are welcome to this event which will also be livestreamed.



## JULY

**16 / 17 Saturday 5-5.30pm** Reconciliation (through Eventbrite); **16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); Baptisms.**

**19 Tuesday 6pm** Parent info session (church) for Confirmation Program

**23 / 24 Saturday 5-5.30pm** Reconciliation (through Eventbrite); **17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.**

**23 Saturday 6pm** St James celebration by School - mass + BBQ  
**24 Sunday 9am** mass Rite of Enrolment for children Sacrament of Confirmation program

**25 Monday** St James Day

**26 Tuesday 9.30 am** Farewell Liturgy for Peter Gibson APRE

**26 Tuesday 6pm** Children Session 1 (church) for Confirmation Program

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

**30 / 31 Saturday 5-5.30pm** Reconciliation (through Eventbrite); **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.**

## Parish news

**20th July 2022... Gregor Mendel's 200th Anniversary of birth.**

**New Roster** for weekend masses ministry—has been emailed and is available in our Sacristy also.

**Vinnies Winter Appeal 2022...envelopes on the pews or make a direct deposit**

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Conference Coorparoo  
Reference Donation

**THANK YOU for your generous support!**



**Past Students & Teachers to 1965 ST STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL REUNION**

**Sunday 24th July 2022 at 10.00am**

Holy Mass at St Stephen's followed by Morning Tea in the Hanly Room; 249 Elizabeth St. Brisbane. Guest Speaker Sr. Ann Hetherington -St Stephen's Teacher  
Cost: \$30 per person On site free parking 194 Charlotte Street Brisbane.

Enquiries/Bookings: Connie 0415 592 155

Payment by bank deposit—contact Connie.

School photos and memorabilia are welcome for display on the day or may be forwarded to

[conniecosta123@hotmail.com](mailto:conniecosta123@hotmail.com)

**The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Concert 2pm or 7pm Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of August, 2022 at St John's Cathedral, Bne.**  
Tickets on sale [www.platinumjubileeconcert.org](http://www.platinumjubileeconcert.org)

## Planned Giving for the Week of 10 July, 2022

Collection Account numbers	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>\$514.65</b>	<b>\$255</b>	<b>\$592</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>\$1,361.65</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100005891</b>	<b>\$486.90</b>	<b>\$265</b>	<b>\$667</b>	<b>only</b>	<b>\$1,418.90</b>

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Web: [www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au](http://www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au)



## Primary School

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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 5th August 2022 @ 9am.

**ALL NIGHT VIGIL:** Friday 5th August 2022.

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

## Counters

July 16 / 17 Sylvia & John

July 23 / 24 Lorie & Leah

Next week	17th Ordinary Sunday July 24	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (4th weekend)	Libby C	n/a	Jan Q	
COMMENTATOR	Ron S	Don T	Christine U-M	
LECTOR	Bill S	Leslie S	Sean H	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Rosemarie Y Anne S	Jan L	Carmel T Pat P Priya	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Rodel / Ramil	Gene T-F / helper	Leah S / helper	
POWERPOINT	Sydel I	Gilbert / helper	June S / helper	
HOSPITALITY	Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	Cathy M / John W	

## Next Sunday's Readings

17th Ordinary Sunday (Year C/2)

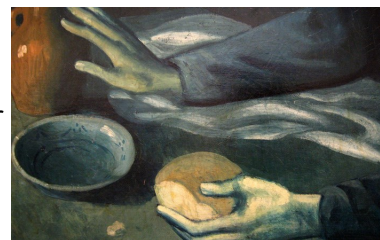
**First Reading** *Genesis 18: 20-32* Lord, do

not be angry if I speak.

**Second Reading** *Colossians 2: 12-14* He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 11: 1-3* Ask, and it will be given to you.

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



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Volunteer Registration

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