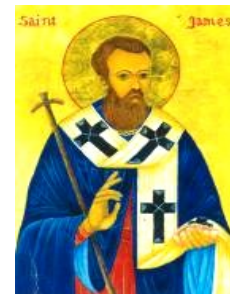


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The Parish of St James Coorparoo A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive Augustinian Parish Archdiocese of Brisbane



Parish News

Dear St James Parishioners,

It is with mixed feelings, definitely with sadness, that I convey to you the following news from our Provincial (Order of St Augustine), and it has a direct impact on our parish:

Fr Dang, after an extended period of personal discernment, has applied for a formal leave from the AUGUSTINIANS for a year. What this means for the parish is that he will no longer be part of the Parish Team as Associate Pastor, and instead he will be serving as a priest elsewhere outside of the Order, and he will be living outside the Augustinian community. Further details on this to be announced in our masses this weekend.

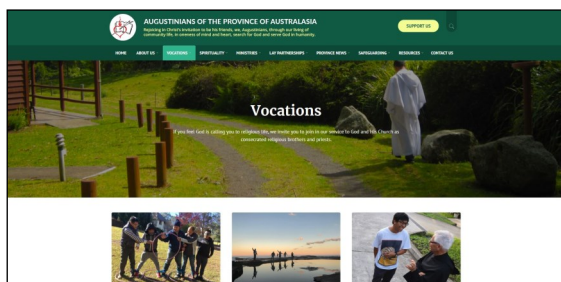
On the following weekend, Fr Dang will be saying his farewell at the following masses:

- Saturday 26 Sept, 6pm Vigil Mass;
- Sunday 27 Sept, 7am Sun Mass;
- Sunday 27 Sept, 9am Sun Mass:

Please keep Fr Dang and each one of us in the parish community in your prayers. God bless you.

Fr Francis

The Augustinian Australian Province website just had a facelift. Please go and visit OSA.ORG.AU

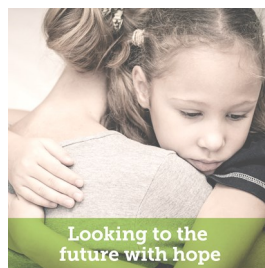


Men go abroad to wonder at the heights of mountains, at the huge waves of the sea, at the long courses of the rivers, at the vast compass of the ocean, at the circular motions of the stars, and they pass by themselves without wondering.
(St Augustine)



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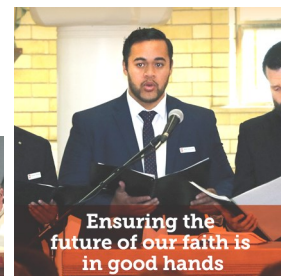


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Ensuring the future of our faith is in good hands



Giving local children the love of a Catholic community

"from VIETNAM with THANKS"



(Wed, 16 Sep at 3:53 pm) Dear Francis, please send our thanks to your Parishioners and donors!

Thank you to the parish community of St James and to all donors of the recent Fund-raiser. I am Fr. Vincent Tran OSA, Prior of the Community here in Vietnam, and on behalf of the community members, I write to you with deepest appreciation for what you have given to our Order, especially for the mission here in Vietnam. With your support of the "Not a Bad Hair Day", Fr. Francis and ALL OF YOU have shown to us a bond of Augustinian family, being of one mind and one heart.

Please continue to support us by your prayers as we keep you in ours. May the spirit of Saint Augustine and the Love of God bless you and your families! Thank you very much!

Fr. Vincent Tran Kim Phu Osa

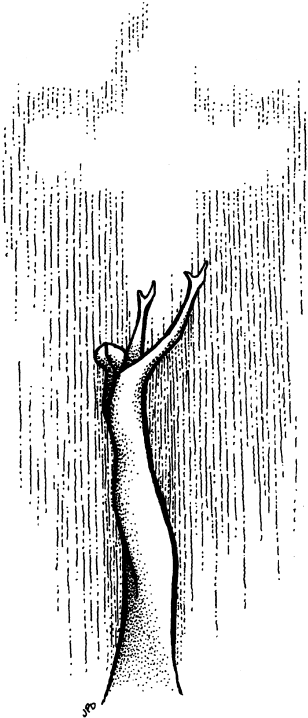


In this photo: Fr Phu is joined by the Augustinian Community in Saigon, Vietnam



Generosity

Jesus balances last week's parable about the justice of God with this week's story about God's generosity. The parable is about a landowner who goes out to hire workers for his fields. Some people are hired early in the day; others are hired to work only the last hour. At the end of the day, all are paid the same. Those who worked the whole day are upset.

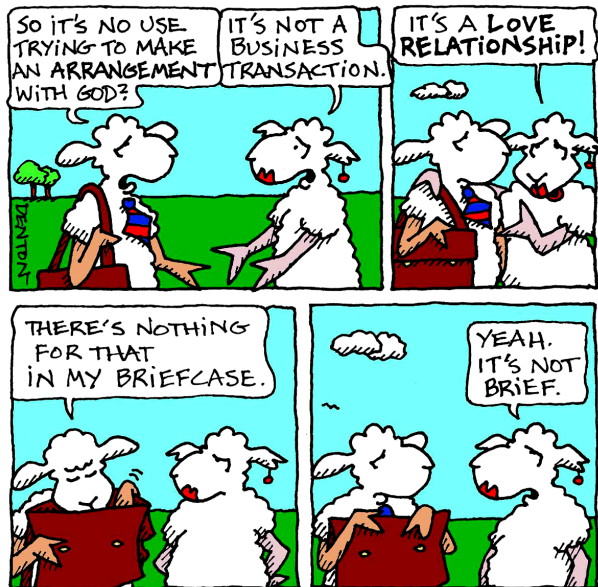


In all honesty, this Gospel story always caused me concern. I found myself on the side of the workers who had laboured all day. When I listened to my inner voice, I sounded like a four-year old, "That's not fair!" Then one Sunday a priest told a story in his homily that helped me understand the parable a little better. I'll share it with you.

A middle-aged husband and wife both die, and find themselves surrounded by a large crowd standing in front of the pearly gates. An angel behind the gates tells the crowd that the gates to heaven will be opened at any moment, and eternal judgment will begin.

The husband gets more and more agitated as time passes and as he looks around at the crowd. "Good grief," he tells his wife, "there's George Walton, one of the biggest frauds in the state. What is he doing here in front of heaven's gates? Does he honestly think he has a chance of making it in?" "Oh no," he continues, "there's the assassin Oswald. And is that Adolph Hitler in the corner there waiting to be let in? This is ludicrous," he continues, "Those three should be sweltering in hell. What is God thinking of letting them even near the gates to heaven and close to good folks like us?"

At that moment, the man hears the booming voice of God telling him he has just passed judgment on himself, and he has failed. In questioning God's love and generosity, he



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"So high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts."

Sheepish Question:

It's not in my bag, so where can I look to deepen my relationship with God?

has shown his own lack of both. He was refused entrance through the pearly gates.

Jesus is clear in the parable of the landowner that God's love and generosity is not to be questioned. We are all on the receiving end of what was promised. God's generosity is something to celebrate, even if we are not the ones on the receiving end at that particular moment.

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God's Generosity

[The landowner] said "Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" (Matthew 20:14-15)



- Isaiah 55:6-9 - Seeking the Lord
- Philippians 1:20-24, 27 - Spreading the gospel
- Matthew 20:1-16 - The laborers in the vineyard



- **Adults:** What lessons do you draw from today's Gospel? How has God been generous to you in this way?
- **Kids:** Who is generous to you, even when you do not always deserve it?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What gift would you give each family member? What would you give yourself? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

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

Prayer Requests

Please pray for recently deceased:



Errol Bergania; Marianne Kellett; Estrella Fernandez; Flor Madio; Lila Marrinan; Jose Hisugan; Rom Herman.

And these anniversaries: Kingsley Vandersay; Danica Ljubas; Jelka & Anto Tolo; John Romano; Kathy Grant; Lorenza

Rivera; Eileen Doring; Salvador Henriquez.

Please pray for these unwell: Frances Fallem-Varghese; Christopher Rollings; Gai O'Connor; Lydia & Hermie Manabo; Peter Kerman; David Robison; Lynne Carl; Karen Bird; Neil Scanlan; Jocelyn Ti-bayan; Veron Forsyth. **Give prayers to our Baptismal Children:** Henry Woodward; Jeremy Saut.



Parish news Annual Catholic Campaign this weekend...

Visit <https://catholicfoundation.org.au/catholic-campaign/> to donate.

Drop your envelope in the collection box or the Priory letter box near the front door.



[Link video](#)

Our parish is supporting the Annual Catholic Campaign this year because we know how hard it has been for many in our community. Though prayer and action, we can be a blessing to those in real need. If you are able, and would like to make a donation, you can do so online here: <https://bit.ly/31s6D5k>

Thank you for your support of the Archdiocese's Centacare Social Services; Schools; Seminarians; Pastoral Services.



Sacrament of First Holy Communion Program at St



James Parish will occur in Term 4 (Yr 4 or older, or 9yrs minimum) for St James School and parishioner families only.

These children have already completed their Sacrament of Confirmation. **Date**

claimer: October 12th, Monday 6pm for

the Parent info session which will be held in our church.



We have returned to all weekend masses—Saturday 6pm; Sunday 7am; 9am; 6pm.

Ensure you register for 9am mass.

Marshals register here for each weekend mass.

No need to register via Eventbrite for **Vigil 6pm; 7am or Sunday 6pm mass**—list of names available at the entrance. **Please register for 9am mass.**

(Marshal needed for each weekend mass slot please)



ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 2nd October.

NEXT HEALING MASS: Friday 2nd October, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

See back page for more information.

Today's Readings

25th Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading *Isaiah 55: 6-9* My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Second Reading *Philippians 1: 20-24, 27* For me to live is Christ.

Gospel Reading *Matthew 20: 1-16* Why are you jealous because I am generous? **For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website Prayer tab).**



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Archdiocese news

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Saturday 26th September at the 11.30am Mass**, Archbishop Mark will celebrate Mass for the special intentions of all couples celebrating 50 years or more of marriage.



MULTICULTURAL MASS 2020

Brisbane's live webcast archbne.org/bzw at 2:20pm for the 2:30pm Mass start on Sunday, 27 September—an opportunity to celebrate Australia's cultural diversity and the richness that this diversity brings to the life of the Australian church. It also presents an opportunity to reflect on the timely message of Pope Francis.



106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees – 27 September 2020

Theme: Forced like Jesus Christ to flee.

Pope Francis has chosen 'Forced like Jesus Christ to flee' as the theme of this special annual event. The Pope's reflection is grounded on the experience of Jesus Christ and his parents as displaced persons and refugees. With this message, Pope Francis encourages all to focus on pastoral care for internally displaced people around the world.

Social Justice

Significate Dates September:



Monday 21: International Day of Peace.

Wednesday 23: 1959: launch of Australian Consumers Association.

International Day of Peace: Jesus told them, "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!'" Bringing peace is central to the mission of Christ's disciples. That peace is offered to all those men and women who long for peace amid the tragedies and violence that mark human history. The 'house' of which Jesus speaks is every family, community, country and continent, in all their diversity and history. It is our 'common home': the world in which God has placed us and which we are called to care for and cultivate.

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NEXT WEEK September 26 / 27	SATURDAY 6 PM (SIGN AT DOOR)	SUNDAY 7AM (SIGN AT DOOR)	SUNDAY 9AM	SUNDAY 6PM (SIGN AT DOOR)
COMMENTATOR	Sylvia P	Don T	Kate P	Jincy CJ
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HOSPITALITY	None	during	CV19	restrictions
ALTAR SERVERS	*(assistance needed, please contact parish)	Gene	Lea/ Joe	Rodel/ Ramil/ Alyssa/ Klaris
POWERPOINT	Margaret	John/ Gilbert	Di/ June	Sydel
MARSHAL	Lorie R	Brendon G	NEEDED	Marie G Mark G



Ensure you register for 9am mass please... ↑

Mass Times & Services: **WEEKEND:** Saturday 8 am; Vigil 6 pm (marshal required)
Sunday 7 am, 9 am, 6 pm (marshal required each mass)

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

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4.30—5.30 pm...by appointment

ADORATION: Thursday 8 am (postponed until further notice)

PRAYER GROUP: each morning prior to Mass.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 2nd October.

NEXT HEALING MASS: Friday 2nd October, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

NEXT CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday at 9am mass (chn liturgy postponed until further notice)

Next Sunday's Readings: 26th Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading *Ezekiel 18: 25-28* The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

Second Reading *Philippians 2: 1-11* In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading *Matthew 21: 28-32* He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.