21ST SUNDAY ORD TIME YR B 2018 25 / 26 AUGUST

The Parish of St James Coorparoo.



A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive and Augustinian Parish:



Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Greetings from the Pews

Amici carissimi! (Dearly beloved friends).

I write to you this week as the leader of a lay group called the Friends of St Augustine here in the parish of Coorparoo. We have Gatherings four times a year and use the time to enrich our own spirituality under the guidance and inspiration of our Holy Father Augustine. Those who are members of Friends are also actively involved in many other parish ministries.

Augustine had a great influence on the Church because of his great intellect and his personal relationship with the God who he finally encountered within himself not in the temptations and attractions outside. He said, "Late have I loved you, O Beauty ever Ancient, ever new! Late have I loved you! For behold you were within me, and I outside; and I sought you outside and in my unloveliness fell upon those things that you made, You were with me and I was not with you." And so he reveals the wonderful discovery of the God of Love.

The faith of his mother his mother Monica, had been part of his life since birth. And her tears and prayers helped him to conversion as well as the preaching of the mighty Ambrose, Bishop of Milan. What a wonderful encouragement that should be to parents concerned about their childrens' faith.

I would like to concentrate on the particular notion of friendship that was so important to Augustine and his early lay companions in Milan and North Africa. Robin Lane Fox in his book, Augustine, says this: "His ideal was friendship between brethren, but it was not, in his mind, mere friendliness, which helps the development of common life. His ideal of friendship was more highly pitched. It required love, not just love from himself, but reciprocal love from the friend. Friends must be loved as oneself, but one truly loves oneself only if one loves God. Each friendship, therefore, must be an eternal triangle, in which two friends love each other and God."

Augustine's Rule says that, "Before all else (ante omnia) dearly beloved brothers Love God and yourself for that is your purpose of coming together."

May this celebration of the Feast of St Augustine help us grow in friendship with each other as we journey together on our way to God. Please talk to a friend today about coming to the Gatherings of the Friends of St Augustine.

Peace and love be with you all.

Blessings from Ray.

First Reading Joshua 24: 1-2, 15-18 We will serve the Lord God, because he is

our God. Second Reading Ephesians 5: 21-32 This is the great

mystery, it applies to Christ and the Church. Gospel Reading John 6: 60-69 Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.

Please pray for recently deceased: Carmel McDonagh; Casimo Tassone; Peter Beiers; Valerie Weightman; Trish Lucas; Patrick Finnimore.

And these anniversaries: Robert Romano; Marie O'Reilly; Kevin Doring; Maureen Walsh; Regina John.

Please pray for these unwell: Kev Ryan; Caine Petersen; Bernie O'Hara; John Mulcahy; Vickie

Please give prayers and welcome to these Baptismal Children: Sebastian Gibb.

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

Social Justice

SIGNIFICANT DATES —

Sunday 26: Refugee and Migrant Sunday. 2001: rescue of 433 asylum seekers by MV Tampa. intercepted by Australian troops to prevent disembarkation.

Monday 27: 1999: death of Dom Helder Camara. Wednesday 29: International Day against Nuclear Tests. Thursday 30: International Day of the Victims of Forced

Disappearances.

National Homeless Persons Week... the 2001 Census reveals the following about homelessness: 56% male and 44% female; 27% children under 18; 25% are Indigenous. Read The Human Face of Homeless by Liz de Chastel and Frank Brennan SJ. It is no secret that Australia faces a housing crisis. Sine mid-1990s the real cost of housing has increased by 250%. There have been many causes, including limited housing supply, negative gearing, capital gains tax concessions and investor demand from home and abroad.

Planned Giving for the Week ending 19 August (Week 3)								
Collection	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total			
1 st Collection Augustinian	\$762.55	\$342	\$10	Week 4	\$1114.55			
2 nd Collection Parish	\$441.75	\$302.55	\$10	only	\$754.30			

Parish news DATE CLAIMER...Wednesday 12" September is the date Peter Arndt, Executive Officer, Catholic Justice and Peace Commission, has chosen for the discussion on the Bishops Social Justice Statement in St James Hall: 7pm for 7.30pm start. Main speaker is Fr. Frank Brennan SJ. Email parish secretary: osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au with your attendance.



Children who have committed to our Sacrament of Confirmation program at St James, will attend a weekend mass (1 / 2 September), and take part in the Rite of Enrolment. Parishioners, please pray for these children as they move forward in their Catholic faith.

Confirmation Ceremony will be held on Thursday September 13th (7pm St James Church).

Saturday 1st September (8am for 8.30am-1pm)

Churches Of Christ Community Centre 41 Brookfield Rd

Kenmore Cost: \$30

Joint Churches Domestic Violence Prevention Project (JCDVPP)

A Commission of QCT formed in recognition that Domestic and Family Violence is just as prevalent in the Church community as in the community at large.

> Date claimer- Ordination of Dn Dang OSA on Saturday 22nd September at 10am, by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

Fr Joseph Lam's book "Late Have I Loved You" is available in the church. For \$17, all proceeds are going to the establishment of a new Augustinian Community in Vietnam 2019. Please support this important initiative to share the joy of the Gospel in a country which needs to hear God's invitation to an authentic Christian life. Payment can be given to the Augustinians (Sacristy) or parish secretary (letterbox near steps of Priory).

On behalf of all the Augustinians in the Province of Australasia and the Delegation of South Korea, I wish a happy celebration of this year's St Augustine's Day to all of you in Augustinian parishes, colleges and other ministries in Australia and Korea, May Augustine's restless search for God, his commitment to a community of friendship and faith and his generosity in serving others in love be an inspiration for all of us in our common journey towards God.



God Bless

Fr Peter Jones OSA Prior

APPEAL

THE ANNUAL AUGUSTINIAN APPEAL

HELPING THE AUGUSTINIANS - DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS

At this time, the Augustinians are appealing to you to support the Order financially, particularly our students who are training for the Priesthood.

Augustinian Seminary Trust Fund - This Appeal is our main focus at this time. Funds are used exclusively for the ongoing provision of our seminarians.

Envelopes are available on our church seats.

You can also make a donation online, our bank details are: Account name: Augustinian Seminary Trust Fund Account number: 13610 4220 BSB:082 146 Reference: Your name

Cheques can be made out to Augustinian Seminary Trust Fund and be mailed to: Order of St Augustine; PO Box 7278; Warringah Mall; Brookvale NSW 2100.

> To receive a receipt by return mail, please include your full name and postal address. For more details, please contact Anna Heath by email at anna.heath@osa.org.au or the Province Office on (02) 9938 0200. We thank you for your generous support!

Deanery news

THE 2018 - 2019 SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

This year's Social Justice Statement from Australia's Catholic Bishops considers the issues

of homelessness and housing affordability in Australia.

Guest Speaker: Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO, CEO,

Catholic Social Services Australia

Wednesday 12 September 2018

7:00 PM cuppa for 7:30 PM start

St James' Parish Hall: 92 Kirkland Avenue, Coorparoo

Light refreshments will be available before the launch.

Parking is available in the church and school grounds.

RSVP: Monday 10th Sept 2018 - for catering purposes please email parish office osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 3397 1671

Gold Coin Entry - Proceeds to St. Vincent de Paul Society

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PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

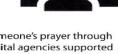
Sunnybank and Acacia Ridge Parishes, Brisbane, invite applications for the position of Pastoral Associate, for 25-30 hours a week.

The Pastoral Associate will be required to coordinate children and their families preparing for the Sacraments. The applicant will also be involved in Liturgy preparation, Adult Education and Pastoral Care of Parishioners. The applicant will require recent study and practice in the Sacraments of Initiation and Theological qualifications are essential. (see noticeboard) Please apply to: Fr Daniel Ryan, Our Lady of Lourdes, PO Box 32, Sunnybank QLD 4109

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- Hospital chaplaincy
- Domestic and family violence
- Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care...



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Couples celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary

together with their family and friends are invited to Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at the Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane on Saturday 6th October 2018 @ 10.00am. Light refreshments in the Hanly Room will follow the Mass. For catering purposes, please RSVP by Friday 28th September.

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Counters

August 25 / 26 Sylvia & Lorie

September 1 / 2 Phill & Danielle

NEXT WEEK September 1 / 2	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM CHN LITURGY	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	B. SMITH	G. TRIGGS-FULTON	J. SPENCER	*
LECTOR	H. DEAKIN	M-J VIDLER	A. EGERT	P. DAVEY
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POWERPOINT	MARGARET	GENE, GILBERT	DI, OLIVER, JUNE	SYDEL

Mass Times WEEKEND: Saturday 8 am; Vigil 6 pm;

Sunday 7 am, 9 am, 6 pm.

RECONCILIATION: <u>Saturday</u> 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 7th September 2018.

NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 7th September 2018, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday 2nd September 2018 — 9am mass.

"Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise..." EPHESIANS 5:15

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God. A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all his many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and

that he wants us to help him build his kingdom of earth.