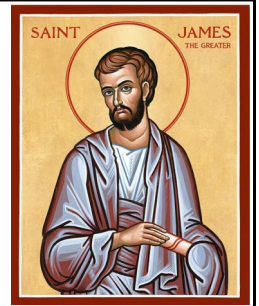


**21ST SUNDAY  
ORDINARY TIME  
YR A 2023  
27 AUGUST**

## ST JAMES PARISH COORPAROO

**IS A PARISH OF ACCOMPANIMENT  
WHERE WE ENCOUNTER AND  
KNOW CHRIST, DEEPEN OUR FAITH,  
AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY**



### BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

### Just "Say" It

*Jesus questions the faith of his disciples by asking them, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" The responded that some say he is John the Baptist, others believe him to be the prophet Elijah or Jeremiah. Peter answers, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus blesses him by giving him the keys to the kingdom, making him the head of the church.*

Peter, the apostle who sank while trying to walk on water because of his lack of faith, receives Jesus' highest affirmation. "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it" (v. 18). Peter goes on to deny Jesus, repent, and eventually become the leader Jesus knew he could be.

Peter is so wonderfully human in all the stories we hear about him. He is impulsive, he blunders, and he makes mistakes. Sometimes he seems almost childlike when he is around Jesus. Perhaps it is that childlike quality in Peter that allows him to see who Jesus really is, the Christ, son of the living God.

Children can be so incredibly honest. They can see right through facades and superficial appearances to the core of a person or situation. They blurt out what they think, sometimes to our own embarrassment. They are as quick to forgive as they are to condemn.

Then, one day when they are eight or nine or ten, they begin to learn how to hide their thoughts and feelings. They begin to practice saying what they know or think we want them to say. They are maturing and this is good, but how can we help them keep the best of their childhood qualities and still be able to go out in polite society?

I think the process must have something to do with being consistent in our patience and love. It involves giving enthusiastic affirmations and gentle, private corrections. That is certainly how Jesus treated Peter, and look how well he turned out—first pope, leader of the church, and the holder of the keys.

#### FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each person to name three things about themselves that they really like. Make sure you remind children to listen well. Do not allow any teasing or laughing.

#### PERSONAL RESPONSE

What childlike qualities to do you need to claim or reclaim to make your life easier or more comfortable? 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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"Who do you say that I am?"

#### Sheepish Question:

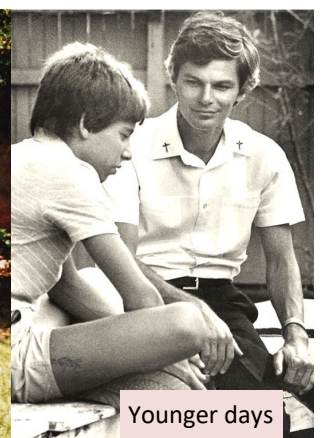
How has your knowledge of God grown in the last year? And who is the Son of Man?

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**Let us pray** to the Lord of the harvest who calls men and women to serve Him in love. That they may know their vocation and live it. All glory and praise are yours, God of truth and light of our hearts, for you guide your people in the ways of holiness. Help those who follow in the footsteps of Augustine to seek you through mutual love and worship and to be servants of your Church as examples that others may follow. Enlighten men and women to see the beauty of common life in the spirit of Saint Augustine, and strengthen them in your service so that the work you have begun in them may be brought to fulfilment. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen. [www.osa.org.au](http://www.osa.org.au)**

**Thank you Fr John Sullivan OSA for your 50 years of priestly vocation.**

**St James Parishioners appreciate your pastoral presence here.**





## This Sunday's Readings

### 21st Sunday Ordinary Time (Year A/1)

**First Reading** *Isaiah 22: 19-23* *I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.*

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

**Psalm 137(138):1-3,6,8** **Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.**

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
In the presence of the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love,  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands.

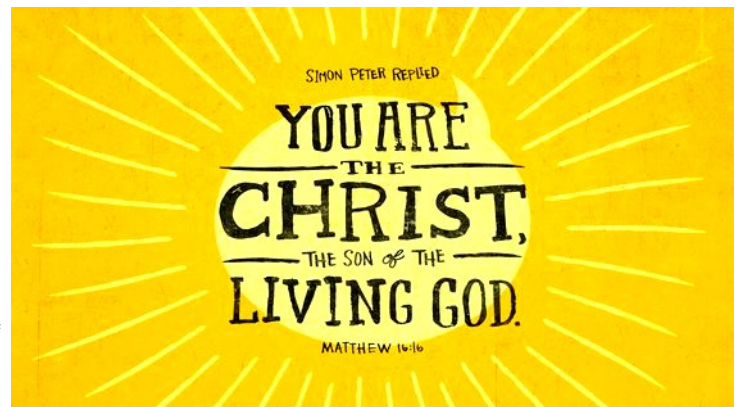
**Second Reading** *Romans 11: 33-36* *From him, through him, and in him are all things.*

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

**Gospel Reading** *Matthew 16: 13-20* *You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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**Final weekend for donations.**

**On pews and at side entrance.**



## Your gift today is a blessing to your local community

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



**2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**  
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*The Parish of St James acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the country upon which it lies and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and culture and pays respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.*

## Prayers

### Please pray for recently deceased:

Rita Serkovic; Lois Weir; Dawn Knauth; Peter Morrissey; Carmel Nolan; Helen Pulsford; Margot Goldberg; Edgar Canlas; Editha Joven Carnacete.

**And these anniversaries:** Willie Kett; Bob Houghton; Neil Pedrazzini; June O'Reilly; Michael O'Flaherty; Rosita Macasero; Rodolfo Ramirez Perez; Sr Ma Therese B; Esteban Vazquez; Maria Esther Marin; Peter Gagen; Joan Shapland; Kathleen + Daniel Dwyer; Alfredo Aquiluzan Sr; Bruce Smith.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Rosalie Pascual; Kevin Sheehan; Paul Hogan; Simpson family; David & Kerry See; Lenore Girard; Carmel Vosper; Bill Trewern; Zion Petersen; Marj Norris; Maylene Nator; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan.

**Please pray for these Baptismal children:**

Gianna C. Abad.



## CATHOLICISM SERIES PIVOTAL PLAYERS:

**St Augustine** will be held on *Monday 28th August* (Feast of St Augustine) Presented by Bishop Robert Barron (on video) at St James Priory, 8:30am-10:30am.



Invitation to the **Ordination to Priesthood of Ignatius Hoang Huy Nguyen** OSA (Holy Spirit Parish) St Clair on Saturday 16th September and Invitation to the **Solemn Profession of Joseph Van Tu Nguyen** OSA (St Kieran's) Manly Vale on Sunday 24th September **on church doors**.



**August 2023 Catholic Leader** \$4 at church entrances.



**Next Deanery Scripture Study Course ROMANS – THE GOSPEL OF SALVATION** will begin **Friday 29th September** and end **24th November** before the Season of Advent (evenings at St James Priory). For more information contact Louise Simento at 0456 700 040.



**Friends of St. Augustine: we are sending out our first Newsletter Amici and Prayer Resource.** Many people receive these items via email or post but it is also usual for some copies to be placed in each Church. Please see side entrance for this. **New Leaders: Mary McC and Judith D**



## Social Justice

Our quarterly support of a group in need ...

We ask St James Parishioners to support our collection of food on behalf of Emmanuel City Mission. This is a Brisbane City Daytime Sanctuary for the homeless and vulnerable, bringing hope and healing to those who need it most. We've asked Emmanuel City Mission about their needs and they have asked St James Parish for these **preferred foods - cornflakes, weetbix, instant coffee, honey, jam, vegemite (and the like).** **Baskets at entrances.** If you would prefer to make a donation instead:

<https://emmanuelcitymission.com/donate>



## AUGUST

**28 Monday** Feast of St Augustine **St Augustine - Pivotal Players Catholicism Series 8.30am in Priory**

**28 Monday 7-9pm** Adult Faith Formation for 10 weeks

**Tuesdays** Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration after 8am mass: (8.30am till Wednesday 8am)

## SEPTEMBER

**1 Friday @ 9am** Anointing Healing mass

**2 / 3 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm** Reconciliation; **22nd Sunday Ordinary Time; (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.**

**3 Sunday 10.30am** Baptismal Preparation morning in our church

**4 Monday 7-9pm** Adult Faith Formation for 10 weeks

**Tuesdays** Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration after 8am mass: (8.30am till Wednesday 8am)

**9 / 10 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm** Reconciliation; **23rd Sunday Ordinary Time; (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); Baptisms.**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane invite you to join in the **annual Multicultural**

## Parish news

**Mass** which will be celebrated in the Cathedral of Saint Stephen on **Sunday 24 September 2023 at 2:30pm** and will be followed by refreshments and cultural performances in the cathedral precinct.



**Golden Wedding Anniversary 11.30am Mass** at St Stephen's Cathedral on **Saturday 30th September**, with refreshments afterwards. RSVP: call 33243030.



In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites couples together with family and friends

## Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

**Saturday, 30th September 2023**

**Mass at 11:30am**

followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

Other couples married at the Cathedral or Chapel, are also invited to attend with family and friends to celebrate 150 years of weddings at the Cathedral.



To register to attend the Mass and for catering purposes please RSVP: Friday 22nd September 2023 [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au) 3324 3030

If you have photos or stories to share of your wedding at the Cathedral, please contact David Todd, email: [todd@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:todd@bne.catholic.net.au) telephone: 3324 3030 by 1st September 2023



**NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK**  
**3 - 9 September 2023**



## Planned Giving for the Week of 20 August 2023

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Donation Tap	Total
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection Augustinian Priory</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100019791</b>	<b>\$521.45</b>	<b>\$325</b>	<b>\$357</b>	<b>\$185</b>	<b>\$1,388.45</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100018086</b>	<b>\$355.25</b>	<b>\$355</b>	<b>\$437</b>	<b>\$185</b>	<b>\$1,332.25</b>



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## Ministry Teams—get involved...

We offer many opportunities to multi-cultural community... Send	get involved and participate in our vibrant your enquiries to the email below...
Children & Families (Brent)	<a href="mailto:Families.stjames@gmail.com">Families.stjames@gmail.com</a>
Worship (Amor)	<a href="mailto:Worshipandliturgy.stjames@gmail.com">Worshipandliturgy.stjames@gmail.com</a>
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## Counters

August 26 / 27 Lorie & Lea

September 2 / 3 Karleen + parish staff

Next week	22nd Sunday Ordinary Time September 3rd	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (1st weekend)	Rex U	n/a	Dan F	
COMMENTATOR	Helen D	John D	Libby C	
LECTOR	David P	Jana V	Kate P	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Collette S Rosemarie Y Priya H	Jan L Trish R Don T	Shadi A Dew K June S	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Edward Z	Brendon or Jane	Lea / Alejandra / Leo	
POWERPOINT	Paul D	Gilbert or helper	Ian or John W	
WELCOMERS	Karen +		Cathy + John + Darren	

## Masses & Services

**WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday 8am; Vigil 6pm.

Sunday 7am, 9am, no longer 6pm.

**MASS SERVICES:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8am.

**MASS SERVICE:** Friday 9am.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 4.30—5.30pm.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION:** (Tuesdays 8.30am till Wednesday 8am) Vicky [brisbane.adoration@gmail.com](mailto:brisbane.adoration@gmail.com)

**HEALING + ANOINTING MASS:** Friday 1st September @ 9am.

**FIRST FRIDAY ALL NIGHT VIGIL:** Friday 1st September @ 7pm.

**PRAYER MEETING:** Every Friday (Except 1st Friday of the month) @ 7.10 pm (Rosary), 7.30 pm (Praise & Worship followed by Message)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** continues weekly @ 9am mass.

*Just a reminder to those parishioners working in Ministry involving children and / or vulnerable adults to please update/complete your volunteer registration.*



## Next Sunday's Readings 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time (Year A/1)

**First Reading** *Jeremiah 20:* 7-9 The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

**Second Reading** *Romans 12:* 1-2 May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

**Gospel Reading** *Matthew 16:* 21-27 Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

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

Then Jesus said  
to His disciples,

"If anyone wishes  
to come after Me,  
he must  
deny himself,  
and take up his cross  
and follow Me.

Matthew 16:24