# 31ST SUNDAY ORDINARY YR C 2019 2/3 NOVEMBER

# The Parish of St James Coorparoo

A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive
Augustinian Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane



## **Bringing Home the Gospel**

## Jesus Meets Zacchaeus

Zacchaeus is short in stature and disliked by the people because he is a tax collector. He climbs a tree so that he can better see Jesus. Jesus calls Zacchaeus down and tells him he will be having dinner with him that night in his house.

It is safe to assume that most people in the crowd would have loved to entertain Jesus in their homes, but Jesus chooses the tax collector who is disliked by all. Undoubtedly, the majority of the people who surround Jesus and Zacchaeus are really good people. So why does Jesus pick Zacchaeus?

Zacchaeus certainly catches Jesus' attention by climbing that tree. He is a person interested in finding out more about Jesus. Maybe it is the crowds negative reaction when Jesus calls

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Zacchaeus down that spurs the invitation. Jesus looks at the crowd, and he looks at Zacchaeus and knows the poor fellow needs help.

Two things are clear from this story: God's invitation goes out to all of us, and receiving that invitation doesn't depend on our own worthiness or goodness. It doesn't matter if we are short or tall, great or mediocre. God sees us with the eyes of a loving father. He wants us to become all we are capable of becoming. He has chosen us and invites himself into our lives. It is up to us to clear the path and invite him in.

Zacchaeus's response is also important to note. He changes. Once a rich man who may have used dubious means to acquire his wealth, he offers to give half of his money to the poor. That is how it should be with us, too. We will know that God is truly living in our hearts when our concern is focused on others, and not just with taking care of ourselves.

## FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask family members to think of someone they know who might need some encouragement or a friendly hand. Talk about how they can help.

## PERSONAL RESPONSE

Have you ever felt like Zacchaeus, lost in the crowd and needing some attention? What can you do about it?

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# congratulations



On Monday evening last, our year five kids celebrated their First Reconciliation (Confession) in the church.
Congratulations! Please remember them and their wonderful families in your

and their wonderful families in your prayers. Thank you once again to Carole Danby and Fr Dang. - Fr Francis



YouTube Video:
Divine Renovation —
Fr James Mallon
Session 4:
Forum - So What?
Three responses,
Issues, Challenges,
Opportunities

With

Stephanie Unger Fr Jason Middleton Vanessa Sullivan

& FR JAMES MALLON

## Today's Readings First Reading Wisdom

11: 22 - 12: 2 You have

mercy on all things because you love everything that exists. Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 1: 11 - 2: 2 The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him. Gospel Reading Luke 19: 1-10 The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website

## **Prayer Requests**

Please pray for the recently deceased:

Imelda Nery: Joe

Tesoriero; Joseph Cannavo; Erin McKinlay; Eric Fleming.

And these anniversaries: Rebecca Herft; Mary Ellen Lunney; Basil Nolan; Thomas Doyle; Dwyer family. Please pray for these unwell: Rodrigo Urbano; Santina Romano; Isabelo Corpus; Mary Dungan; James Clifford; Nigel Richards; Steven McSwan; Jenny Porter; Rosa Marin; Katrina Newdigin; Jocelyn Tibayan; Michael, Kathleen & Mary-Clare Simpson.

Please pray for these Baptismal children: Luca Hidalgo; Macy Swanson; Esther Pereira.

## Social Justice

## **SIGNIFICANT DATES NOVEMBER:**

Saturday 2: International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists.

Monday 4: Day of Prayer for Anglican-Roman Catholic Reconciliation.

Tuesday 5: World Tsunami Awareness Day.

## **National Prayer for Drought**

Eternal God.

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought;

be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:

Renew your faithful people; Renew the face of the earth. Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians -Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - Pray for us.

## **Parish News**

Sacrament of Penance -The Lord is kind and full of compassion, Slow to

anger, abounding in love. Psalm 145:8

We acknowledge these children: Ollie Jones; Sabine Thannhauser; Lily O'Connor; Christopher Mathew; Charlotte Everding; Sam Clark; Sarah Trigg; Ben Lestani; Hugo Maradiegue.



Co-ordinator: Kev Mahonev kevmahoney2@bigpond.com

Sunday, November 3: Intro-

duction. Mass at 6pm then the meeting is in St James Priory dining room. We leave after the homily and retire for about 1 hour to discuss the Gospel and to explore some major

areas of Catholic faith. Meetings conclude 7.15 7.30 pm.

Immaculata Mission School is an initiative of the



Sisters of the Immaculata, who are based in Franklin, Tasmania. The school enters its 13th year, with great local and international speakers, and forming young people to be saints of this generation through prayer, fellowship and charity. (see entrances or noticeboard)

When: 1-10 January 2020. Who: 15-35yrs of age

**Register:** sistersoftheimmaculate.org.au Where: The Glennie School (Herries St,

Toowoomba) Early bird price: \$390 before 18th Nov.



Names of dear departed relatives and friends **rest in peace**. Book is available at the front of the church, ready for you to sign. There are envelopes [November Mass Offering] available on church pews or at the side entrance for you. Place them in the collection bowl.



Friends of St Augustine will have their quarterly gathering on Wednesday evening 13th November at **6pm for 6.30pm** start. Bring a plate to share. Contact Ray 38921682.



7am mass ministry volunteers - our roster of helpers has been slightly changed. Please check the back page of our bulletin weekly (until January when new roster will be made available).

Planned Giving for the Week ending 27th October (Week 4)						
Collection	Loose money	Envelopes	Direct	Credit		
	[not pledged]	[pledged]	Debit	card	Total	
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection Augustinian [BSB: 064 786 Account #: 006160102]	\$848.45	\$499	\$170	\$240	\$1,757.45	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection Parish [BSB: 064 786 Account #: 006161103]	\$593.75	\$403	\$190.70	\$210	\$1,397.45	





- 3 Sunday 6pm 1st RCIA Mass & Teaching Session
- Tuesdays (continuing) 6.30pm Bible Study in Priory - 7.30pm Liturgy Committee Meeting in Priory (middle
- Fridays (continuing) 6.30pm Bible Study in Priory
- Saturday Brisbane East Deanery mass 8am and meeting afterwards at Regina Caeli church Coorparoo
- 12 Tuesday Liturgy meeting 7.30pm
- Wednesday Friends of St Augustine meeting in Priory from
- 14 Thursday St V de P meeting in the Priory
- 16 Saturday Brass cleaning in church after 8am mass
- 17 Sunday 12pm Irish annual remembrance mass (and hall)
- 22 Friday 7pm—8.15pm St Cecilia Day Celebration, an evening of MUSIC @ St James Church
- Monday Pastoral Council meeting in the Priory 7.30pm
- 26 Tuesday Finance meeting in the Priory 7.30pm
- Thursday St V de P meeting in the Priory
- Friday Little Kings mass 10am

## **DECEMBER**

15-23 CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES or 'Simbang Gabi' at St James Church (7pm weekdays & 6pm weekends)

## **NOVEMBER: MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE**



Framed pictures of our loved ones who have gone before us.

"...Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy:

welcome them into the light of your face..." (EP2)

If you normally go to this mass schedule	The picture frame you bring will be displayed in ALL masses in the church on this weekend:	Notes: Mass intentions are offered on assigned weekends.
7 AM Sunday	9-10 Nov	Please drop the picture frames in the middle of week or the weekend before your assigned weekend.
9 AM Sunday	16-17 Nov	You may collect back your frames on the following
6 PM Sunday	23-24 Nov	weekend at the room behind the St Joseph statue.





November 15-17 Shalom Retreat Brisbane (see entrances for pamphlets) ... A retreat that will shine the light of Christ into your heart and lead you to

forgiveness, freedom and healing! St Gerard Majella Catholic Church and Hall, 146 Maundrell Terrace, Chermside West. Register at shalommedia.org/retreat/ Australia Fee: \$50/Person (Lunch is included) Contact: Vipin Joseph- 0425 621 994

Come and join with other members of our

## Parish News November Remembrance Mass for the Irish Community

Irish Community in praying for the peaceful repose of your deceased relatives and friends at our Annual November Remembrance Mass, which will take place on Sunday 17 November at 12 noon in St. James' Church, 165 Old Cleveland Road, Coorparoo. The Celebrant will be Fr Seamus McMahon SM. This year, our Mass will also be a Memorial Mass for Fr Paddy Dwyer OMI, who sadly died last year - a good friend of IASAQ and former chaplain to Rosies. Tea/coffee will be served afterwards – an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends. The Mass is being organised by The Irish Australian Support Association of Qld Inc (IASAQ). IASAQ is part of the Government of Ireland Emigrant Support Programme. Our primary mission is to assist any Irish or Irish Australian persons in time of need or distress. For further information, please contact the IASAQ Co-ordinator on 0432 087 328.





Reach out. Give life.

Thank you for supporting this year's **Catholic Mission Church Appeal** through your kind gifts and prayers. and for reaching out to children and communities in need in Ghana and

throughout the world. St James Parish Coorparoo donated \$4.598.40 in week one and concluded with \$844 in week two. **TOTAL DONATION: \$5,442.40** Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Ghana



## **Deanery news**

Celebrate our deanery with Mass, Breakfast &

Meetina.

Where: Regina Caeli; 81 Waverley Rd; Camp Hill When: Saturday November 9, 2019 Time: 8am **RSVP:** to Regina Caeli appreciated ph: 3398 3697 reginacaeli@bne.catholic.net.au



## Archdiocese news

You are invited to **Evensong Service** to pray for Anglican

Roman Catholic Reconciliation Sunday 10 **November** at 6pm at St John's Cathedral 373 Ann Street, Brisbane Presider: Very Rev Dr Peter Catt Dean, St John's Cathedral Preacher: Rev Dr Anthony Mellor Dean, Cathedral of St Stephen Light refreshments to follow RSVP Margaret Naylon on 3324 3453 Or ecum@bne.catholic.net.au by Wed 6 Nov.



Bishop Michael Putney Memorial Lecture, to take place at the Hanly room of the Francis rush Centre (next to St Stephen's Cathedral) on Tuesday 26th November at 7pm. The guest speaker will be Geraldine Hawkes. Topic: Receptive Ecumenism: Living the Undivided Life. All are welcome to attend. Contribution of \$10 payable at the door. Light supper provided. RSVP by Thursday 21 November 20 (07) 3369 6792 or admin@gct.org.au

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GREETINGS TO ALL OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS! Commentators, Lectors, Altar Servers (Junior & Senior), Musicians, PowerPoint Operators, Hospitality/Greeters, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Collectors, and MASS COORDINATORS:

This communication is in relation to the message in the bulletin I wrote on the weekend of 12th-13th October regarding our get together for each Mass Group (MG) in line with the revisited, reviewed and revised Guidelines

for the various Liturgical Ministries.

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MG: Vigil 6pm Saturday	MG: 7am Sunday	MG: 9am Sunday	MG: 6pm Sunday			
Catch-up gathering & information session will be after the 6pm Mass on 9th November. If you could all please bring a plate to share for dinner.  Venue: Priory	be right after the 7am	Catch-up gathering & information session will be after the 9am Mass on 17th November, over morning tea at the Priory Dining Room Venue: Priory	(still to be confirmed)			

## Counters: November 2 / 3 Paul & Cecilia November 9 / 10 Sylvia & ...

NEXT WEEK November 9 / 10	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	Helen D	Trish R	Geoff E	John W
LECTOR	Sylvia P	Berenice T-F	Pat M	Leo B
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Karleen O'R Ron S Anne S	Gene T-F Marj N Heather L	Carmel T Morag S Martin D	Romy U Christy U Benedict
HOSPITALITY	There K Elizabeth O'R	Leonie D	Pat P	Bill S
ALTAR SERVERS	Deneb	Gene	*(assistance needed, please contact parish)	John, Rodel, Ramil, Alyssa, Klaris
POWERPOINT	Paul	John, Gilbert	Di, June	Sydel

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

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

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4.30—5.30 pm.

ADORATION: Thursday 8 am.

PRAYER GROUP: each morning prior to Mass. ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 6th December 2019.

**NEXT ANOINTING MASS**: Friday 13th December 2019, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day). **NEXT MASS WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY**: Sunday 17th November 2019 — 9am mass.

Next Sunday's Readings: First Reading 2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14 The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection. Second

Reading 2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3: 5 May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Gospel Reading Luke 20: 27-38 He is not a God the dead but of the living. For complete Sunday's readings, visit our St James website (look for the Prayer tab).

www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings.