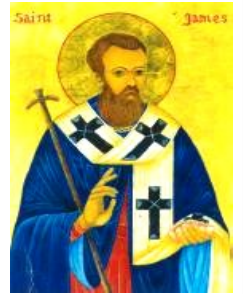


# 25TH SUNDAY ORDINARY YR C 2022 18 SEPTEMBER

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



### BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

#### Jesus Talks About Problem Solving

Jesus tells his disciples a parable about being wise and trustworthy, telling them that if they cannot be trusted in small matters they cannot be trusted in larger matters. Jesus concludes by telling them they cannot serve two masters. "You cannot serve God and wealth" (v. 13).

It is such a simple statement of truth, "We cannot serve both God and money." No Christian of faith could possibly disagree. But if we rephrase the question and ask, "How important is money to you?" the issue gets a little cloudier.

Money is an important part of our lives. There is no question that we need money to put food on the family table, clothes on our bodies and a roof over our heads. Earning money to provide these things is definitely in the service of God. Even providing luxuries for ourselves and our families is okay, as long as we are also providing for people in need. But when money becomes an end in itself, buying becomes a way of life or having this year's model becomes a necessity, we are in trouble.

It is so easy to get caught up in the false notion that things can make us happy, even though we know that the pleasure they offer is temporary. Forever happiness—day-into-the-dark-of-night happiness—is found in God's love and in our relationships with family and friends.

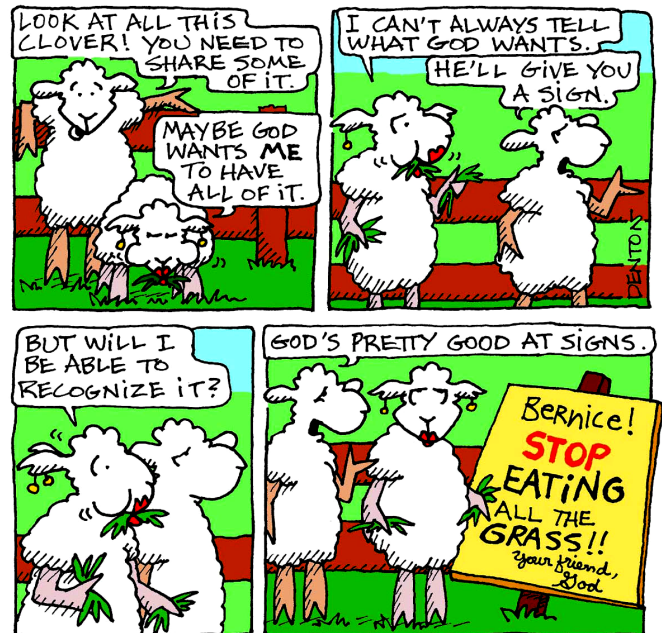
#### FAMILY RESPONSE

Talk about people you most admire. Why did you choose them? Is their worth dependent on the amount of money or the number of things they have?

#### PERSONAL RESPONSE

What do you and your friends talk most about? What does this tell you about yourself?

Every once in a while it's important to check out our priorities, and reevaluate our life style. There are at least two ways of doing this: taking a



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"Who will trust you with true wealth?"

#### Sheepish Question:

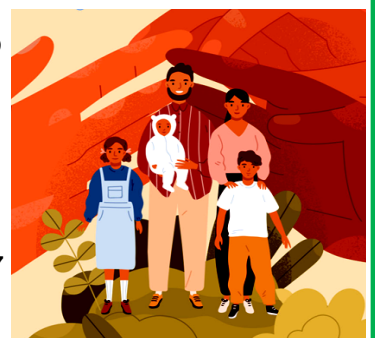
When—and why—have I thought it was okay to have more than my share?

good look around our homes and paying attention to what we find ourselves talking about. Both can tell us a great deal about what is important to us and who we are really serving.

### Safeguarding Update

We are currently going through a process to ensure all our parish volunteers are up-to-date in regards to Safeguarding

Compliance (paperwork & training). We are pleased to advise that a small number of our parish volunteers are up-to-date, which is great to see, however we need your help to see that number grow. This is a gentle reminder that if you do receive an email or communication in regards to registration or training, it would be very much appreciated if you could attend to this as soon as possible. Should you need any assistance, please contact Helen [bm.stjames@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:bm.stjames@bne.catholic.net.au) or call 3847 3696 at the Parish Office. With the combined effort of everyone, we hope to have all our records up-to-date by the end of the year.



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## This Sunday's Readings

25th Ordinary Sunday (Year C/2)

First Reading Amos 8: 4-7 *The Lord God spoke against those who buy*

*the poor for money.*

**Listen to this,** you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

**Today's Psalm** 112(113): 1-2,4-8 Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord,  
praise the name of the Lord!  
May the name of the Lord be blessed  
both now and for evermore!

High above all nations is the Lord,  
above the heavens his glory.  
Who is like the Lord, our God,  
who has risen on high to his throne  
yet stoops from the heights to look down,  
to look down upon heaven and earth?

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,  
from the dunghheap he raises the poor  
to set him in the company of princes,  
yes, with the princes of his people.

**Second Reading** 1 Timothy 2: 1-8 *Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.*

**My advice is that,** first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

**Gospel Reading** Luke 16: 1-13 *You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'



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*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:** Robert Houghton;

Ed McMahon; Enid Davey; Mary O'Brien ibvm;

Laurie Prentice; Leo Falzon; Ian Diete.

**And these anniversaries:** Rebecca Herft; Rodolfo Ramirez Perez.

**Please pray for these unwell:** Aoife Stephenson; Neil Scanlan; Janis Mitchell; Michael Crilly; Harry Hidalgo; Ramon Nina Celso; Noela McCormick; Jocelyn Diaz Ti-bayan; Mary Greene; June Olave; June Jones; Sr Catherine Hefferan RSM; Rex Urbano; Juanita Castro Flores.

**Please pray for these Baptismal children:**

Bronte Werleman; Emilia Scuderi.



## SEPTEMBER

**17 / 18 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (through Eventbrite);**

**25th Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am);**

**Baptisms.**

**19 Monday tree trimmers—no parking church grounds.**

**21 Wednesday 9am Going Deeper Prayer Session 6**

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

**24 / 25 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (through Eventbrite);**

**26th Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No**

**Baptisms; Migrant Refugee Sunday.**

**25 Sunday 10.30am Baptismal Preparation in our church.**

**26 – 30 Fr Francis Retreat at Ormiston: Communion Services.**

**26 Monday Brisbane East Deanery parish staff get-together.**

## Parish news

The Queen's final journey as

Brisbane prepares for Requiem Mass

In Brisbane, **St Stephen's Cathedral** will hold a **Requiem Mass for Queen Elizabeth II on Saturday September 17 starting at 11.30am.**



**26 – 30 September:** Fr Francis on Retreat at Ormiston: Communion Services during the weekday masses.



**Going Deeper—a ten-session series. This program continues (till October) every Wednesday morning after 8am mass in St James Priory ... 8.45am** there will be a morning tea to share, time for discussion and to identify questions for the authors of this program. All Welcome.



**MULTICULTURAL MASS**

Sunday 25th September at the Cathedral World Day of Migrant and Refugees celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Cultural performances and refreshments in the cathedral grounds will follow. Register here: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM22>



Calling all Men!! A Parish mission for men By menALIVE is being hosted by **Corinda/Graceville Parish on the weekend of 15/16th of October.** See details and Register here

<https://www.menalive.org.au/menalive-weekend/>

Enquires to Col Ahern Phone: 0401324469

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**Monday 19 September** parishioners—please be aware of tree trimming on this day —perhaps you will park in the school grounds. There may be church ground closures.



**Catholic Mission: 2022 Appeal 15/16 October**

Brisbane East Deanery and St James Parish.



**Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass**

to be celebrated by  
Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary or more are invited to attend, together with family and friends

**Saturday 24th September 2022  
11:30am**

RSVP: Wednesday 21st September  
email: [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au)  
telephone: 3324 3030

The Cathedral car park will be available.



**Family Mass – Date Claimer**

Next term, on **Sunday 30th October**, the school has been invited to attend the Sunday 9am Parish Mass at St James. It will be wonderful to celebrate Mass with the parishioners of St James and the children who attend will sing a song after communion. We thank Fr Francis for this invitation.



Registrations are now open for ***Evangelise***, an online conference for all Catholics, **20-22 October** hosted by the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry. You can find further details about the conference and register at [www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au](http://www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au).



## Planned Giving for the Week of 11 September, 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>\$660.95</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<b>\$655</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>\$1,465.95</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection St James Parish</b> BSB: 064 786 Account #: <b>100005891</b>	<b>\$539.85</b>	<b>\$125</b>	<b>\$740</b>	<b>only</b>	<b>\$1,404.85</b>

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## 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 7th October 2022 @ 9am.

**ALL NIGHT VIGIL:** Friday 7th October 2022.

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

## Counters

**September 17 / 18** Greg & Kate **September 24 / 25** Anne + Margaret + Sylvia

Next week	25th Ordinary Sunday September 18	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (3rd weekend)	Glenn H + family	n/a	Canossa Choir	
COMMENTATOR	Helen D	John D	June S	
LECTOR	Ron S	Jana V	Kate P	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Anne S Sylvia P	Jan L	Priya Christine U-M Carmel T	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R / helper	Edward / helper	Leah S / helper	
POWERPOINT	Paul D	Gilbert / helper	June S / helper	
HOSPITALITY	Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	Cathy M / John W	

We welcome parish volunteers  
across all our ministries.

Please make contact with us...

Phone Helen 3847 3696.



Welcome

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