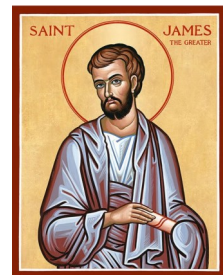


**3RD SUNDAY
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**IS A PARISH OF ACCOMPANIMENT
WHERE WE ENCOUNTER AND KNOW
CHRIST, DEEPEN OUR FAITH, AND
SERVE THE COMMUNITY**



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate South Land of the Holy Spirit

The Beatitudes we just heard are at the beginning of the 'Sermon on the Mount'. This sermon provides a picture of a society where the usual expectations of how people relate to each other are turned upside down.

Australia, 'Down Under', is a place to which people have been attracted by a vision of a different future, a future where human beings could relate to each other differently to the old order in their society of origin.

De Quiros, the Portuguese explorer of the 16th Century, set out on a quest for 'Terra Australia del Espiritu Santo', South Land of the Holy Spirit.

I am convinced that 'Australia' is a work of the Holy Spirit, one of whose most distinctive works at Pentecost was the breaking down of ethnic and language barriers between people.

Australia is a place where that Pentecostal impulse is creating a new society. Have we responded to the Holy Spirit perfectly? No. Treatment of the earliest inhabitants of this land was shameful, and is not yet fully remedied as the Lord of the Sermon on the Mount desires.

But, we could pause for a moment and thank God.

For our land abounding in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare.

For the divine Spirit of Pentecost attracting us to follow Jesus in this South Land of the Holy Spirit.

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Rev Prof Michael Tate graduated in Law from the University of Tasmania in 1968, and in Theology from Oxford University in 1971. He lectured at the University of Tasmania from 1972-78, being Dean of the Faculty of Law in 1977-78. He was a Senator for Tasmania from 1978-93, being Federal Minister for Justice from 1987-93. He served as Ambassador to The Hague and the Holy See from 1993-96. He then returned to Australia and was ordained in May 2000 and has been a parish priest in the Archdiocese of Hobart since then. He is an Honorary Professor of Law at the University of Tasmania where he lectures in International Humanitarian Law.

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Australia Day

Our February—April Weekend Mass ministry volunteers roster will be available shortly. Thank you for your help.



Saturday 1st + Sunday 2nd February—Presentation of the Lord weekend. **Bring along your candles** to be blessed before each mass (remember blessings to February birthdays and anniversaries at these first weekend masses).



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA, recommences Sunday mornings February 2nd to April 19th 2025 inclusive, receiving the Eucharist at the Easter vigil on Saturday April 19th, 2025. Times – 9.30 to 10.15 am.



Our Invitation to the upcoming Catholic Foundation module organized by Archdiocesan Ministries. Please note that the modules can be taken independently. Module One: **Catholic Theology in Context**. The module is not just intellectual, it is experiential, so be ready to understand God more deeply, and experience God personally. St James will be a hub if we get the minimum (5). Price \$150 per participant. Begins **Monday 3rd February 2025**.

Pamphlet information at side table. Email adultfaithformation.stjames@gmail.com



Throughout 2025 we will bless our parishioners during our 1st Sunday masses (Vigil, 7am and 9am) when they have their birthdays or wedding anniversaries during that month.

Mass & Services

WEEKEND: Saturday 8am; Vigil 6pm.

Sunday 7am, 9am.

WEEKDAY: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8am

WEEKDAY: Friday 9am.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4.30—5.30pm...

PERPETUAL ADORATION: will return 11th February 2025.

(Tuesdays 8.30am till Wednesday 8am) Vicky brisbane.adoration@gmail.com

HEALING + ANOINTING MASS: Anointing Mass 14th February (School opening 7th Feb)

FIRST FRIDAY ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 7th February 2025

KERALA COMMUNITY MASS: 23 February at 4pm

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 1st and 3rd Sundays @ 9am mass.

Kids Bulletin available: copyright <https://thekidsbulletin.com/about/>

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Please pray for recently deceased: Margaret Carew; Fr Kim Bok-Chon (Johan) OSA; Andrea Arquileta; Joan Harding; Caroline Bremner; Loreta Mesina; Trevor Wilkinson; Fr Joseph Truong OP; Peter Lwat.

And these anniversaries: Franklin Foster; Ron Ketter; Barbara Sanguino; Peter Ward; Zosimo Cruspero; Paciencia Ala-an.

Please pray for these unwell: Marilyn Graham; Ian Gillespie; George Erbacher; Bien Lorenzo; Jenny Hapea; Germain Fernando; Rebecca Evans; Michael Barton; Phil Draheim; Benjamin Kett; Ty De Paoli; Alex Hastings; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan.

On the 25th January 1925 on the feast of St Paul the Apostle this first stone of the church erected to the glory of God under the title and patronage of St James the Apostle was blessed and placed by the most Reverence J. Duhig D. D. Archbishop of Brisbane in the reign of Pope Pius Eleventh with the Reverend J. O'Leary being the Parish Priest. We will celebrate our Church Building Centenary throughout 2025, we are the living stones building community.



Australia Day 2025 — New Mass Prayer for Australia Day (ArchBne)

May God who formed our southern land be for you a rock of strength.
 May God who rules the great seas keep you safe in every storm.
 May God who made the skies above turn your darkness into light.
 May the God of truth and love make you eager to share your gifts with others.
 May God who has shown his justice to the nations make you tireless messengers in his service.



From Social Justice Ministry— Australia Day. Whilst we acknowledge and celebrate Australia day, please consider that for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, January 26 is known as a day of mourning, invasion and survival.



Young Adults Ministry invites all young adults (18-35) who are seeking God in fellowship with others, to come check out our YAM ministry. All our activities are listed on the brochure at side entrance. youthandyoungadults@gmail.com



Year 5 Sacrament of Reconciliation / Penance Program for Children 2025 at St James Parish.

Your children (10yrs) have already had their Confirmation and their First Holy Communion.

Monday 10th February – we invite you to the parent info session in the church (or hall) at 6pm.

Please email osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au or call our parish office 33971671.



St James RAP Implementation Launch. As we continue the journey towards reconciliation, we invite you to join us for the launch of the St James implementation plan of the Archdiocesan Reconciliation Action Plan, during weekend Masses of **Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th February 2025.** We will have a special Mass for the launch on Sunday 9th February 9am which will include a Cultural Mass with Blessing of the Parish RAP Implementation, Acknowledgement of Country, Smoking Ceremony, Didgeridoo, Cultural Artwork and Symbols.



On 1st and 2nd March weekend masses, we will hold our **Masses that launch our 2025 Planning for Ministry Groups.** All plans for 2025 will be revealed and unfolded.



Australian podcaster and author Matt Fradd is coming to Brisbane to host Real Talk's gala dinner at Victoria Park on **February 3.** <https://catholicleader.com.au/weekly-round-up-ewsletter/?hsCtaAttrib=166733095009>

Next week	Presentation of the Lord February 2	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (1st weekend)		Denise D	n/a	Dan F
COMMENTATOR		Sylvia P	Trish R	Pat M
LECTOR		Karleen O'R	David B	June S
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		Ron S Anne S Norman G	Jan L Barbara DeP Romy U	John W Karla V Jaque S
ALTAR SERVER/S		Priya	Brendon G or Drew N	Leah S / Alejandra / Leo
POWERPOINT		Cecilia D	...	Matthew A`
WELCOMER		Karen /	David /	Leslie Jaque Ana Arlene

Counters January 25 / 26 Brendon & parish staff

February 1 / 2 Paul + Cecilia

Next Sunday's Readings Presentation of the Lord (Year C February 2)

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First Reading Malachi 3: 1-4 The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple.

Second Reading Hebrews 2: 14-18 He had to be made like us in all things.

Gospel Reading Luke 2: 22-40 My eyes have seen your saving power.

For complete Sunday's readings: www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au/sundays-readings

