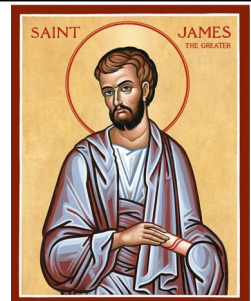


26TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YR A 2023 1 OCTOBER

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



FAMILY RESPONSE

Look through a newspaper or watch a local news program together. Decide on something you can do to help someone who is in need. (Sometimes offering a prayer is the only practical or possible response.)

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What is something you love to do—something that is a part of who you are? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

Part of Who We Are

**BRINGING
HOME
THE
GOSPEL**

The parable Jesus tells about the father who asks his two sons for help may sound familiar to those of us who have more than one child. The father in the story asks his first son to work in the vineyard. The son refuses, but later goes to work in the fields. The father approaches the second son with the same request. This son tells his father he will go, but he doesn't.

In this parable Jesus tells us God doesn't want just lip service. God wants us to be who we say we are. For example, I like to garden, but I am not a gardener. I write short reflections like this one, but I am not a writer. I know the difference because I

have a friend who is a gardener, and a husband who is a writer. I garden because I want to have a summer garden. I began writing these reflections as part of my job. If I could afford to hire a gardener or to not work, I just might not do either.

My friend Nympha, the gardener, doesn't just enjoy her summer garden. She spends all of fall, winter, and spring planning and going through seed catalogues. Her garden reflects who she is. My husband isn't paid to write; yet he writes almost daily, putting into short stories or vignettes snapshots of human experiences. His writing reflects who he is. My friend gardens and my husband writes because what they do is part of who they are. She has to garden; he has to write.

This is what God ultimately wants from us. Not just obeying the rules because we want to enjoy God's kingdom or because it's part of the job of being a Christian. God wants us to obey the rules because it's a part of who we are.

I'm not a gardener or writer, but I am a mother. My children are a part of who I am. Their needs are my needs. I think being a Christian means feeling that way about everyone, friend and foe. Taking care of others' needs as deftly as we take care of our children's or our own should be a natural response, and not done just because it is the rule. When that happens, we are not just followers of Christ; we are Christ.



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"Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves."

Sheepish Question:

When have I been humbled by serving someone in need? How?

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This Sunday's Readings

26th Sunday Ordinary Time (Year A/1)

First Reading Ezekiel 18: 25-28 *The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

Psalm 24(25):4-9 Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and
teach me:
for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path,
He teaches his way to the poor.

Second Reading Philippians 2: 1-11 *In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.*

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Reading Matthew 21: 28-32 *He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.*



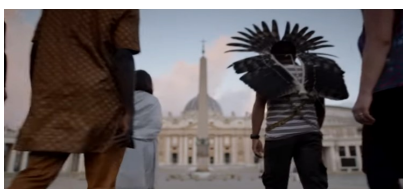
Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

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Social Justice

The Letter

A message for our Earth



Thanks to parishioners for attending the screening of the film "The Letter" - **Pope Francis' letter** to us all on Care of our Common Home - "Laudato Si (Praise be to You)."

We had an encouraging turn-out. It was an excellent awareness exercise for us. We look forward to future action within the parish.

Emmanuel City Mission, day time sanctuary for homeless people in South Brisbane, **sincerely thanks St. James parishioners** for their recent generous response in providing food items for the people who come to them for help. Most gratefully received. Thanks also to those parish-



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: Barbara Baker; Sara Jane Nunag; Gay Deicke; Mavis Moore; Luke O'Reilly; Rosalie Pascual; Rita Serkovic; Lois Weir; Dawn Knauth; Peter Morrissey.

And these anniversaries: Adriano Jiro Rivera; James (Jim) Downey; Marcelina Robles Canta; Barbara Sanguino; Catherine Sheridan; Catherine Sullivan; Rufina Ferolino; Antonion, Irene & Engracia Causon; Michael O'Flaherty.

Please pray for these unwell: Mery Sepulveda; Lynette Edwards; Kevin Sheehan; Paul Hogan; Barbara Baker; Lenore Girard; Carmel Vosper; Bill Trewern; Zion Petersen; Marj Norris; Maylene Nator; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan.



Parish news **Welcome Fr Anson OSA**
(Fr Joseph Anson Kalathiparambil Antony OSA). Everyone is invited to a parishioner morning tea to welcome Fr Anson after this Sunday 9am mass, under the mango tree.



This coming Monday 2nd October—**St Francis of Assisi**- Pivotal Players Catholicism Series after 8am mass in Priory. Everyone very welcome.

Fr John Sullivan OSA on Annual Leave 11 September—10 October 2023. **Trish** on Annual Leave from 8th October.

Powerpoint Ministry—refresher + introduction...

After your mass on 7th + 8th October, Lorie will give half hour training. Please remain at the church computer. We welcome parishioners who would like to assist in this area.

Domestic and Family Abuse

You are invited to a special meeting of the Our Lady of Graces Parish Social Justice Group, to trial a new resource for churches. This is an assessment tool to ascertain the level of acceptance, preparedness, welcome, awareness and resources parishes might have to address the needs of those experiencing domestic and family abuse.

Time: 7.30pm

Date: Tuesday 3rd October

Venue: Parish Library [enter via Parish Office or Church], Our Lady of Graces Parish (100 Mayfield Rd, Carina)

WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS
A NEW PRAYER RESOURCE
FOR ADVENT 2023

Coming shortly ...

With Expectant Hearts is a new 22-day reflection resource that can be used during Advent by

individuals and groups during the 2023-2024 liturgical year. Each reflection is written to help us sit with God and to trust Him to lead us forward.

St James Parish will have a Prayer Group. \$6 cash at side entrance when they are available.



OCTOBER 2023

Brisbane East Deanery Study Group (Priory) Friday evenings from 6th October – 1st December

2 Monday King's Birthday public holiday

2 Monday St Francis Of Assisi after 8am mass in Priory

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

6 Friday @ 9am Anointing Healing mass

7 / 8 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; 27th Sunday Ordinary Time; (**Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am**); **No Baptisms.**

7 / 8 refresher training for powerpoint operators after each weekend mass (Lorie)

Trish away on annual leave 9 October – 30 October



October Catholic Leader.

\$4 cash in receptacles at entrances.

RITE OF
CHRISTIAN
INITIATION
OF ADULTS



RCIA 2023-2024 Rite of Christian Initiation is a process requiring attention be given to the individual needs of each enquirer, ensuring they receive suitable pastoral, liturgical and catechetical formation.

The goal of such formation is the ongoing conversion of the individual's heart and mind to Christ.

Priory phone 3397 1671 or kevmahoney2@bigpond.com

Dates – Sunday from November 19th to December 3rd 2023 and from January 21st to March 24th 2024 inclusive.

Times – 9.30 to 10.15 am.

Aid to the Church in Need invites all parishes, schools and families to take part in our annual "One million children praying the Rosary," on **18 October 2023**. Last year 40,000 Australian children participated. To learn more and to register visit www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren

Welcome to St James Parish

- Our Welcome Pamphlet is available at the side church entrance.
- There's a QR code on our back page so you can give us your details electronically.
- There are email addresses to connect with our parish ministry groups (on our back page).

A Morning's Prayer Retreat **Saturday 28 October**: 9am to 12pm at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington St, Ormiston. The main focus of the morning will be on the road to sainthood and what God is calling us to in this life-time. Date: Saturday 28 October 2023 Cost: \$25 Register <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/> or contact the Evangelisation Brisbane Adult Formation Team via formation@bne.catholic.net.au.

Planned Giving for the Week of 24 September, 2023

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1st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100019791	\$950.30	\$350	\$340	\$175	\$140	\$1,955.30
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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...
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Social Justice (Dan)	Socialjusticeoutreach.stjames@gmail.com

Counters

September 30 / Oct 1 Paul & Cecilia

October 7 / 8 Sylvia & John

Next week	27th Sunday Ordinary Time October 8th	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (2nd weekend)		Pio + Myrna	n/a	YAM
COMMENTATOR		Lorie R	Jana V	Libby C
LECTOR		Frank F	Leslie S	Ray M
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION		Ron S Karleen O'R Priya H	Heather L Noel V Don T	Sepali Deborah H Jaqueline S
ALTAR SERVER/S		Joe R	Brendon or Jane	Lea / Alejandra / Leo
POWERPOINT		Paul D	Gilbert or helper	June S or helper
WELCOMERS		Karen +		Cathy + John + Darren

Masses & Services

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 8am; Vigil 6pm.

Sunday 7am, 9am.

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

HEALING + ANOINTING MASS: Friday 6th October @ 9am.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 6th October @ 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.



**Welcome
New Parishioners
Please register
using this QR code**



Next Sunday's Readings

27th Sunday Ordinary Time (Year A/1)

First Reading *Isaiah 5: 1-7* The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Second Reading *Philippians 4: 6-9* Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading *Matthew 21: 33-43* He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

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

