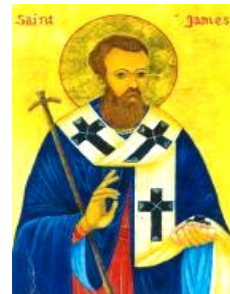


27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY YR B 2021 3 OCTOBER

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



From Archbishop Mark



After five years of preparation and consultation we're finally arrived at the moment of the first assembly of the two assemblies of the Plenary Council in Australia; the first Plenary Council celebrated in Australia since 1937. Because of COVID-19 we've had to postpone this first assembly for twelve months. We're still in the grip of COVID-19 but we decided to go ahead even though now the first assembly will be completely online.

But here in Brisbane, unless we have a lockdown, we will gather as a group of about fifteen in Cathedral House behind me each day. So there will be some face to face, but most of it will be face to screen.

Now, not everybody can be a member of the Plenary Council. There will be about 300 of us online as members and expert advisors and helpers of various kinds, so that 300 will be online.

But in fact the Plenary Council is for the entire community of faith, all catholic people whoever you are, it's for you the Plenary Council.

So you may not be online as a member of the Plenary Council, but you are very much part of the journey of this week and that's why I write to you now.

If you're not online there are other ways in which you can take part; you can follow the live stream sessions each day, not all the sessions will be live streamed, but some will be and you are very much invited to join the live stream sessions*. Then you can each day follow the updates that will be provided at the end of each day.

So again I invite you, I urge you to read the updates but most of all, to surround the assembly with your prayer; that this is a deep and real and powerful way of you sharing in the experience of this first assembly.

So the call is to all of us members or not the fact is you've been baptised and therefore you are very much part of the journey. So let's take the road together and may God, who has begun the good work in us with the Plenary Council, bring it to fulfilment. *

A google search for "Plenary Council" will find us at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>



Assembly One: October 2021

PlenaryPost Who will attend the Plenary Council assemblies?

There will be three main groups of people attending the Council's assemblies: **Members; Advisers; and Observers.**

Members of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia are those who have been called to participate in the assemblies. Some of the members are people who "must" be called to a plenary council, as outlined in Church law; others are people who "may" be called, who were chosen through a range of processes across the country. The members have, at times, been referred to as "delegates" to the Council. The language of "member" better reflects the canonical status of those called to a Council, as well as the sense that all members are there to represent the People of God in Australia, not just their local Church community. Members are the only people who can vote at the Council assemblies. It is expected there will be 278 members at the assemblies.

Advisers to the Council are people with particular expertise across a range of matters, such as theology, Scripture, governance, formation, ecclesiology (study of the Church), who can be called upon by members, individually or collectively, to provide advice on particular matters to assist with their discernment and decision-making. Advisers are sometimes called "experts" or "periti", a latin term used to describe the experts at the Second Vatican Council and other major Church events.

Observers are people who, as the name suggests, observe the proceedings of the Council assemblies because of their particular relationship with the Catholic Church in Australia. Following the tradition of other Church gatherings, the observers are likely to include Catholic leaders from other parts of the world, especially New Zealand, the Pacific and Asia; leaders of other Christian denominations; and leaders of other faith traditions.

Province News

HELPING THE AUGUSTINIANS - DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS

Please see the envelopes at side entrances & on pews

• **Augustinian Seminary Trust Fund** (Tax deductible) BSB: 082146 Account Number: 13610 4220

Reference: Please include your name.

• **Augustinian Volunteers Australia Trust Fund** (Tax deductible) BSB: 062287

Account Number: 1043 4293 Reference: Please include your name.

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St. James Parish acknowledges the Jaggera People of Coorparoo as the traditional owners of the land on which we live.

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

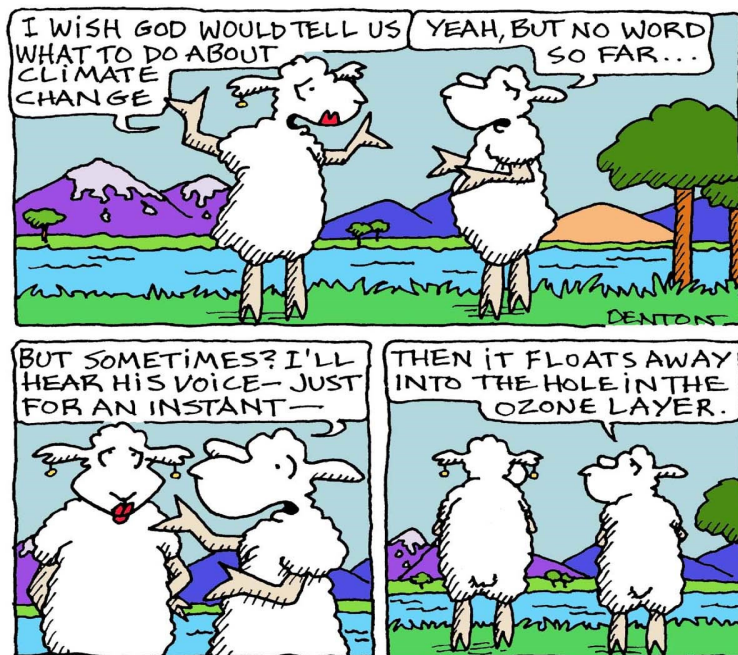
Let the Children Come To Me

People began to bring their children to Jesus so that he could bless them. The disciples rebuked them thinking Jesus had better things to do. Jesus became indignant and told them to let the children come to him for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

When Jesus tells us that the kingdom of God belongs to those who are like children, I think the youngsters he has in mind are those wide-eyed tykes whose faces tell you just how they feel. You know the type—the little ones who pull on your hand and stretch your arm in their eagerness to get somewhere. I think children like this must come from homes where they are loved and really cared for. They live their lives certain that comfort and safety are no farther away than a parent's lap. Childhood, particularly early childhood, can be a scary time—a time of almost total dependence. Left on his own, a three-year-old's life would be extremely hazardous. But then again, left on our own, we could all find life pretty treacherous—whether we're three, thirty-three or sixty-three. Perhaps that is what Jesus is trying to tell us. Life is not easy: It is filled with all sorts of obstacles and problems, but no matter our age, we are all children, children of God.

We, too, need to live our lives aware that when we are open to God's love, we are safe and secure, loved and cared for, always close to the lap of God. When we realize and accept our dependency on an all-loving God and accept God's love, we can glide through some of our fear and insecurity. We can let that wide-eyed, smiling child inside each of us come out to play.

Continually remind yourself of God's promise to be with you always. Let the child in you out, and spend time as a family playing together. Reach for your child's hand, stretching his arm in your eagerness to share God's love through your own laughter and joy.



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“Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.”

Sheepish Question:

How can I be more conscientious about my role in God's creation?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What is your favorite family activity? How can you find more time to have fun with your family? 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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Justice Challenge

October 4th is the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis is one of our most beloved and familiar saints. One of his greatest passions was care for God's creation—nature, animals, the solar system. Francis saw God's love reflected in all created things. Your challenge this week is to choose one part of God's creation which is threatened by human greed, neglect, or abuse. Commit to taking one action to preserve and treasure this God-given resource. For example, you might choose water and then make a plan for using less water when you shower or brush your teeth. You might choose animals and make a donation or volunteer time at your local animal shelter. Whatever you choose, include a prayer of gratitude to God for this special part of God's creation.



Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased:

Jesus Lenon Dizon Snr; Isagani Juanzon Snr; Margaret Ryan; Cynthia Arrarunce; Restituta Bongas; Walter Shepherd; Edgardo Elumba.

And these anniversaries: Malcolm Deakin; Jim Downey; Jelka Tolo; Errol Bergania; Lorenza Rivera; Catherine Sullivan; Doreen Kluck; Robert Romano.

Please pray for these unwell: Samuel Quiroga Arias; Arabela Vazquez Marin; Catherine Sheridan; Margaret Tourish; Martin & Teresa Devine; Brenda Burnheim; Mary-Clare & Michael Simpson; Gerry Freeman; Kerry See; Juanita Castro Flores; Ramon Alonso Mendoza; Bill Trewern; Susan Carnay; Suzanna D'Amore.

Please pray for our Baptismal children:

Celine Bowyer; Elizabeth Jacob.



Parish news

To the Parishioners of St James, Coorparoo who have been praying for our nephew Ty De Paoli in the

USA who was diagnosed with cancer on 4th July - thank you. As with most year 12 students in the northern hemisphere, his senior year of high school should have commenced a few weeks back at Marist High School in Eugene. Instead of that Ty has just completed six rounds of chemotherapy. The hospital is in Portland, a two hour drive each way from his family's home but he now has two weeks break from treatment and, health permitting is planning to go to school and get to high school football games (his real love). At the end of that break he will commence radiation treatment back in Portland. The youngest of our four niece and nephews in Oregon, Ty is determined to beat this and, we hope by the grace of God, resume living his life. The last few weeks have been eventful for him. In amongst all the treatments he was confirmed (most diocese in United States don't confirm until Grade 11 or 12) and also turned 18. His school friends wrote messages on fabric and a wonderful woman turned those into a quilt for him to use during treatment. COVID travel restrictions mean that we can't be there to support our family in person, but then we all have stories like that during a pandemic don't



we. Our family are grateful for the prayers and kind messages of support they have received from all around the world, especially here in our Parish of St James. God bless each of you. George De Paoli & Barbara (Downey) De Paoli



The Marriage Course

THE MARRIAGE COURSE

Date nights begin on Friday 29 October 2021, at 7.30pm.

Several spots still available for couples wanting to invest on their marriage.

6 October - 18 October **Fr Francis is replacement priest at Mareeba while Bob Greenup is on leave.**



OCTOBER

28 Sept - 5 Oct **Fr Tuan Anh away on medical leave.**

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

1 Friday All-Night Vigil from 7.30pm

2 / 3 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); **Year B/1 27th Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); Baptisms.**

3 Plenary Council begins <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

5 Tuesday Going Deeper via Zoom

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6 Wed Going Deeper 8:45am-9:45am at St James Priory

6 Alpha on Wednesday (zoom)

7 Thursday St Rita's Conference 6.30pm in the Priory.

8 **Friday 9am** mass

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

The Catholic Leader October 2021 Issue, **yours to take home for \$4.**

- * Queensland legalises euthanasia in dire change for the state
- * Brisbane Oratory celebrates first priestly ordination
- * Former Queensland Rugby Union CEO says guardian angel brought him to Braille House
- * Granddaughter of war medic returns vestments to Church
- * Holland Park remembers 60 years of St Joachim Church



Female parishioner seeking granny flat from 19 November. Practising Catholic. leonie.constable@gmail.com



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Planned Giving for the Week of 26 September, 2021

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
1st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: <u>100019791</u>	\$652	\$185.05	\$210	\$140	\$1,187.05
2nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: <u>100005891</u>	\$445.60	\$265	\$190	\$220	\$1,120.60

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This Sunday's Readings 27th Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading *Genesis 2: 18-24* They were two in one flesh.

Second Reading *Hebrews 2: 9-11* He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified have one origin.

Gospel Reading *Mark 10: 2-16* What God has joined together, no one must divide.



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 5th November @ 9am.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 5th November.

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY (at this stage).

Counters

October 2 / 3 Lorie & Leah

October 9 / 10 Greg & Kate

Next week	28th Ord Time October 10	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (2nd weekend)	Carina Family Choir	n/a	YAM + Quang + Dan	
COMMENTATOR	Ron S	Jana V	Kate P	
LECTOR	Anne C	Trish R	Sean H	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Rosemarie Y Collette S	Berenice T-F	Mike S Morag S Christine U-M	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Rodel / Ramil	Gene T-F	Leah S	
POWERPOINT	Sydel	Gilbert / John D	Di / June S	
MARSHAL	Lorie / Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	John W	

Next Sunday's Readings 28th Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading *Wisdom 7: 7-11* In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

Second Reading *Hebrews 4: 12-13* The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Gospel Reading *Mark 10: 17-30* Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me. For complete Sunday's readings, visit our [St James website](#) (look for the Prayer tab).

