

From the Outside of the Window

Last Sunday we are told about the straightforward demand of the brothers John and James. Ignorant of the consequences of such a petition, both requested (unapologetically) a place on the left and right of Jesus Christ in the Kingdom. So, the Evangelist Mark portrayed them as immature disciples who were more interested in securing for themselves a good reward. Being a wise teacher, Jesus did not immediately reproach them because he was interested in helping them to grow into a deeper understanding of service.

In this Sunday's gospel, Mark contrasts the entreaty of Bartimaeus, a blind man, with the demand of John and James. Bartimaeus was an outsider and did not belong to the inner circle of Jesus' disciples. Blind as he was, he was begging for his living by the road side. For sure, he had heard of Jesus' miracles and in his despair for healing, sitting by the roadside, he perhaps had hoped to meet Jesus. Ignoring the reproaches and insults that many companions of Jesus had levelled at him, Bartimaeus was tenacious in his begging: He does not want honour, power or wealth. He only asks for the restoration of sight. In the Bible, sight is the synonym for faith. And, faith emerges from justification by God. According to Paul, justification means to be "made right in the relationship with God." Living in the right relationship with God results in blessings that God bestows on those who seek Him with a sincere heart. If God blesses a person, she or she lives in a state of happiness. <u>Romans 4:6-8</u> ties this happy blessing to those whose sins are forgiven, for they know the relationship to God has been restored. God's original design in creation was for His creatures, including mankind, to experience prosperity, peace, and fulfilment, but that design was ruined when sin entered the world. To Bartimaeus's entreaty, Jesus therefore replied: "Go your way; your faith has saved you."

Some items that need your attention:

 Parish volunteers, such as ministers of communion to the sick or those who lead the children liturgy or members of various parish committees are encouraged to participate in one of the various Safeguarding training sessions conducted at various locations within the border of our deanery. For details about time and location and registration, please contact the parish office (31 October / 14 November).
During the month of November, a book of remembrance of the dead will be displayed in the church. You may want to write down names that you wish to be remembered and prayed for. Please see inside the bulletin for mass schedules on All Saints and All Souls.

3) Parents who wish to enrol their children for the Sacramental Program of Reconciliation are invited to register ASAP as the program will start on **November 5th** with the *Parent Info* session (see inside).

4) We finally have received quotes for the renovation of the parish amenities and kitchen. The total project would cost around 250,000 AUD. The works will be carried out during the coming weeks. This will be my last project on behalf of the parish, before my departure on 21st January 2019.

5) Bishop Vincent Long from Parramatta has appointed Fr Joseph as Assistant Priest to the Catholic Parish of Greystanes, commencing 1st February, 2019.

As always, let us pray for each other,

Fr. Joe

TODAY'S READINGS: First Reading Jeremiah 31: 7-9 I shall lead them back in mercy - both

the blind and the lame. Second Reading Hebrews 5: 1-6 You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek. Gospel Reading Mark 10:46-52 Master, grant that I



may see. Please pray for recently deceased: Anna Cuc; Warrick Crawford; Patricia O'Connell; Stanley

Frank: Sr Germaine Greathead RSM.

And these anniversaries: Alex Thomas; Andrew Low; Maria Vi; Peter Dang Sap.

Please pray for these unwell: Alberico Salvatori; Jim Clifford; Salvadore Resolado Jr; Kev Ryan; Bernie O'Hara.

Please give prayers and welcome to these Baptismal Children:

Charlotte & Kioshi Parish Proano; Rupert Heironymus

It is customary to re-light your child's baptism candle each birthday or baptism anniversary.



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

Social Justice SIGNIFICANT DATES -**OCTOBER / NOVEMBER:**

Wednesday 31: World Cities Day. Thursday 1: All Saints. Friday 2: All Souls. International Day to end impunity for crimes against journalists.



International Day for the Eradication of Poverty...

In baptism, each one of us is called to share in the ministry of Jesus Christ - to bring good news to the poor and let the oppressed go free (Luke 4: 18). We are asked to serve people in need - in our workplace, church or social groups, whether known or unknown to us, on the streets or in the broader community. In solidarity, we must challenge views that condemn them. We work for an economy that prevents exclusion.

Planned Giving for the Week ending 21st October (Week 3)					
Collection	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Total
1 st Collection Augustinian	\$716.90	\$400	\$10	Week 4	\$1,126.90
2 nd Collection Parish	\$457.40	388	\$10	only	\$855.40

Parish news

On Monday, 29th October at 7pm we will pray the Living Rosary in our church to honour Mary, the mother of God. The Living Rosary has

a tradition in our parish. It would be nice if we can gather on this evening to pray as a community for various needs in our parish and in our country. Please contact Sylvia family / parish group will pray a Rosary decade during this evening.



Experience the joy of Christmas at the Lord Mayor's Seniors Christmas Parties. Celebrate the festive season among friends and enjoy a high tea and a wonderful line up of local artists performing traditional singalong Christmas carols and performances. St James Parish has a table of 10 (6 tickets remaining) for Tuesday 4th December, 9am.

Giving Program - With your help, our parish will be better able to proclaim our Catholic Faith. Your support will help our parish reach out to more people in the community. Thank you for considering our Plan Giving Program. See back of Church or phone Trish.

Friends of St Augustine on 8th November at 6.30pm: We'll meet you in the Dining Room of the Priory. Contact Ray (phone: 3892 1682)



NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 14th December 2018, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).



RCIA – ST JAMES Adults interested in joining our Catholic faith – Contact parish office (3397 1671) or Kev Mahoney kevmahoney2@bigpond.com



St James Parish Coorparoo...Sacrament of Reconciliation Email: osastjames@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 3397 1671 This term, Year 5 children (10yrs of age) who wish to conclude their Sacramental Program with Reconciliation...begins Monday 5th November 6.30pm with Parent Info session (led by Carole Danby and Fr Dang OSA) and Enrolment Mass the following weekend Saturday 10th November at 6pm or Sunday 11th November at 9am). Sessions for children: Friday 16th Nov, Friday 23rd November and Friday 30th November after school (time to be advised).

Thursday 1st November All Saints Day Masses: 8am and 7pm Friday 2nd November All Souls' Day Masses: 8am and 7pm



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

During Anti-Poverty week, please support refugees and asylum seekers by donating highly needed items such as cooking oil, rice, tea bags, sugar, tuna, tinned tomatoes, shampoo, shower gel & deodorant. These items will go to Romero Asylum Seeker Centre (Mercy Community Services), Dutton Park. Baskets will be displayed at both church's entrances for the goods.

Irish Community November Remembrance Mass

Come and join with other members of our Irish Community in praying for the peaceful repose of your deceased relatives and friends at our Annual November Remembrance Mass, **Sunday 4 November at 12 noon in St. James' Church**, **Coorparoo.** 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) and the Celebrant will be Fr Seamus McMahon SM. For further information please contact our IASAQ Co-ordinator on 0432 087 328.0ur organisation is



supported by the Irish Government as part of its Emigrant Support Programme. Our role is basically to assist any Irish or Irish Australian person in time of need or distress. We are also here to make contact with and/or visit any elderly Irish at home or in aged care.

Annual Catholic Mission Appeal throughout Brisbane East Deanery...November 10 and 11th



Thankyou to Phillip and Danielle for all their wonderful volunteering ministry at St James Parish. We are very grateful for your assistance over the years.

Deamery news Brisbane East Deanery (BED) Mass, Breakfast & Planning Meeting Regina Caeli Catholic Church 81 Waverley Rd Camp Hill

Saturday Nov 10, 2018 at 8am. RSVP: The Dean - The Very Rev John Garrahy / Jeanne

Schneider, Regina Caeli 3398 3697 or reginacaeli@bne.catholic.net.au

PETRIE CATHOLIC PARISH has a building at Petrie to rent out.

Archdiocese news It has 6 rooms, which can be used for office space, larger rooms for meetings, reception area, plenty of storage as well a secure 2 car garage and there are also allocated parking spaces that comes with the building. We are walking distance from Petrie Train / Bus Station. For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 32856759 or email petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

SEE NOTICEBOARD...

Position Vacant – Parish Secretary

Applications are open for a position at the Beaudesert Catholic Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills 15 hours a week Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Position Vacant – Coordinator of Lay Ministries

Applications are open for a position at the Regents Park Parish. A person with group facilitation, sacramental & liturgical knowledge is required for a part time position of Coordinator of Lay Ministries.

Position Vacant - Diocesan Director Archdiocese of Brisbane for Caritas

The Parish of St James

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Administration

Parish Administrator	Fr Joseph Lam OSA	3397 1671
Assistant Pastor	Fr Saldie Resolado OSA	3397 1671
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Retired	Fr. Peter Hayes OSA	3397 1671
Parish Moderator	Fr Jaison Nedumparambil OSA	On leave
Parish Secretary	Trish Rashad	3397 1671
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Finance Committee	Paul Davey	0437 730 792
Pastoral Care	Parish Office	3397 1671
Safeguarding Officer	Kate Pearson	capearson@optusnet.com.au

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October 27 / 28 Mark & Celeste

November 3 / 4 Anne & Margaret

NEXT WEEK November 3 / 4	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM	SUNDAY 6PM
COMMENTATOR	S. PHILLIPS	B. TRIGGS-FULTON	P. MULLINS	L. BRADLEY
LECTOR	D. PHILLIPS	N. POKARIER	J. RICHARDS	B. SCHLECHT
EUCHARIST	P. DEVLIN PRIYA H. DEAKIN	M-J VIDLER M. NORRIS *	Y. NGUYEN R. MITCHELL P. PRINGLE	P. DAVEY D. STRANO *
HOSPITALITY	M. CHAPMAN F. DARCH	G. TRIGGS-FULTON	N. RICHARDS	*
ALTAR SERVERS	ΜΑΧ	DON, GENE, DENEB	*	JOHN, RODEL, RAMIL, ALYSSA, KLARIS
POWERPOINT	MARGARET	GENE, GILBERT	DI, OLIVER, JUNE	SYDEL

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

<u>Sunday</u> 7 am, 9 am, 6 pm.

RECONCILIATION: <u>Saturday</u> 4.30—5.30 pm.

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

ADORATION: Thursday 8 am.

PRAYER GROUP: each morning prior to Mass.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 2nd November 2018 (begin 8pm after All Souls mass).

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ALL SAINTS DAY November 1 ALL SOULS DAY November 2	Young Adults Mass – every 4th Sunday of the month 6pm. 'For details phone 0413 762 544/Doreen/.