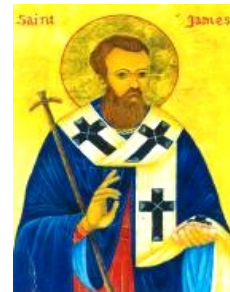


32ND SUNDAY ORDINARY YR B 2021 7 NOVEMBER

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



From the Parish Priest

Good day to everyone!

- We are already in the month of November when we especially offer prayers to all of our faithful departed. All our November masses are offered for the souls of our beloved ones. Should you wish to include them in our prayer and mass intentions, please write their names on the 'Book of the Dead'.
- For a couple of years now at St James, we have celebrated the Christmas Novena Masses, a Filipino tradition which Fr Saldie brought to the parish when he was still assigned here. This occurs on 16-24 December with a Mass and usually followed by shared meal. As we are nearing December, I am calling on our Filipino community who wish for the "Simbang Gabi" tradition to continue here at St James to take lead in organising (liturgy: readers, servers; music; contacting food sponsors for each day: setting up and setting down, etc.; sharing mass info to other parishes). Although a Filipino tradition, these masses been welcomed everyone from all cultures. So, everyone
- A couple of days ago, the works at the OSHS (Outside school hours services) Centre were concluded and children have come back after vacating the place right before the school break (this centre is the building on the corner of Rialto St and Old Cleveland Rd (to the right of the church). The works mainly consisted of the removal of interior asbestos sheeting; internal carpentry works and interior painting. Since this is parish property, the parish paid for the works totalling: \$48,413.75. Quite a hefty amount, yes, but one that is needed for the safety of everyone using the space, our children and staff. Also, I have been in conversation with the OSHS personnel concerning the strong possibility of using the space on Sundays when we resume with our Children's Liturgy. They are amenable with the proposition.
- It was wonderful last Sunday that we were able to celebrate the Multi-Culturality of our community with the Mass and fellowship. A big thank you to all who've contributed in making the liturgy and gathering in the hall a positive one. *We wish to request though that if you want to share photos that you've taken during the event (church or hall), please send thru to pp.stjames@bne.catholic.net.au. Thank you!*

- Fr Francis, OSA



Dear St James Primary School and Parish Community,
I am pleased to advise you of the appointment of Ms Rachelle Gibson as Principal of St James Primary School Coorparoo, commencing Term 1, 2022. Rachelle is currently the Acting Principal, St Patrick's Primary School, Gympie. Rachelle's leadership experience includes Acting Principal, St Ignatius School, Toowong; Curriculum Support Teacher role and Assistant Principal Religious Education role, St Ignatius School, Toowong; Acting Assistant Principal Religious Education, St Bernardine's School, Regent's Park.

Rachelle's qualifications include Bachelor of Education (Primary), Master of Educational Leadership and Master of Religious Education. This appointment follows public advertising and a selection process involving Fr Francis Belcina, Parish Priest – St James Parish Coorparoo, representatives from the school community and Brisbane Catholic Education.

I take this opportunity to acknowledge the significant contribution of the current Principal of St James Primary School, Coorparoo, Julian Cotter, who retires from Brisbane Catholic Education at the end of 2021. We wish Julian well in the years ahead.

I am sure you will join me in congratulating Rachelle on this appointment.

Regards

Pam Betts, CEO Catholic Education

I want to express my "**congratulations**" and "**thank you**" to our Finance Committee (especially to Greg and Christine, with the aid of Doreen). After applying for a grant from the 2021 Catholic Foundation Annual Grants Program, we have been awarded a \$6,000 grant specifically for the purpose of providing resources for the Alpha & Marriage Courses. These courses that we are offering are in line with our Evangelising efforts to bring others to Christ. We hope that through this grant our ALPHA may reach more people outside the church who hunger for meaning and purpose. Next year, with our MARRIAGE COURSE, we are hoping to invite more couples, especially our parents from St James school community. Thank you to Mary Macuga, Director of the Catholic Foundation, and to her team. - Fr Francis, OSA



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

Living Life With a Generous Heart

Jesus mentions widows twice in this reading. The first time is when he strongly criticizes the scribes for walking around in fine robes while they "devour widows' houses" (v. 40) The second reference is when he points out a generous widow who puts her whole livelihood into the collection.

**BRINGING
HOME THE
GOSPEL**

The widow in this Gospel was certainly a woman of faith and an example to all of us. However, I don't think Jesus is telling us that we are all expected to give away everything we have and just trust in him. This is what he told the rich man, of course, and what he seems to be praising in this story of the widow.



"They have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had."

Sheepish Question:

So about actual money, what do I hear God asking of me?

Jesus also calls us to live

our lives poor in spirit, not getting too comfortable with what we have or what we earn. Financial security is no longer a given reality even for folks who work hard, have a dozen degrees and have served a company loyally for years. The widow gave up her livelihood willingly, but in today's economic world some of us are forced into that situation involuntarily. Like the widow, we need to know that no matter what happens we will be OK. We need her faith in a God who always provides.

But the call to poverty is a specific call and not one that all of us are meant to live. What I do think Jesus expects of us is to live our lives with a generous heart and with the same faith the widow had as she gave her last two coins away. There is a clear message here that we are not to live like the scribes, enjoying the high life, driving expensive cars, wearing fine clothes at the expense of other people. Jesus is also quite clear about sharing what we have with those who are in need. We are not to give just from the extra money we have, the surplus, but also from our bounty. It may not be necessary to give everything away, but we should give away enough to at least feel the pinch.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask everyone to go through their toys or clothes and choose at least two things they can give to people in need. When they have finished, gather again and talk about what you are giving away. Make sure you are giving from your bounty and not just your surplus.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Have you ever had to live without some of the daily essentials of life? How did you cope? How do you think you would cope? 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

November 13 is World Kindness Day. We know our society has become less caring and more indifferent over the years. Your challenge this week is to perform

a random act of kindness sometime between now and Saturday. Don't plan it ahead of time. Just keep alert for the right opportunity to show kindness. If you are open to it, the Holy Spirit will let you know when the time is right to show extra kindness to someone who really needs it. (By the way, this doesn't mean you shouldn't be kind all of the time—because you should!!!)

Random
Act of
KINDNESS

Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased:

Sr Mary Therese Rosenberg; Barry Duncan; Steve Ruhl; Maureen Skelly; Jesus Lenon Dizon Snr; Isagani Juanzon Snr; Margaret Ryan; Cynthia Arrarunce; Restituta Bongas.

And these anniversaries: John Romano; Bradley Wenceslaus; James McGuire OSA; Anto Tolo.

Please pray for these unwell: Bryan O'Connell; Tina Romano; Noah Riley; Imelda Garcia Cacho; Nelia Juanzon; Lito Lobo; Samuel Quiroga Arias; Arabela Vazquez Marin; Catherine Sheridan; Margaret Tourish; Martin & Teresa Devine.

Please pray for our Baptismal children: Teodoro III Lizares; Hugh Frantz.

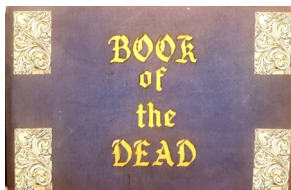


NOVEMBER

6 / 7 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); Year B/1 32nd Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); Baptisms.
10 (final) Going Deeper 8:45am-9:45am St James Priory
10 Alpha last Wednesday (PARISH HALL)
11 Thursday St V de P gathering 6.30pm in the Priory.
12 Friday 9am mass
12 Friday Marriage Course 7pm-9pm in the Priory (Zoom)
13 / 14 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); Year B/1 33rd Sunday Ordinary (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); Baptisms.
13 Saturday 11am Irish Remembrance mass
14 Sunday 10-6pm St James School Family Fun Day.
18 Thursday St V de P gathering 6.30pm in the Priory.

Parish news

Our Book of the Dead is available



at the front of the church for the month of November. Also, beginning this month, our Church will re-open for prayers during the day (to match School hours) 8.30am-2.30pm. (Thursdays, church is closed) [Church also closed after Communion Service on 22-26 November].



Augustinian Seminary Appeal \$7,035.45

Catholic Mission Appeal \$1,535

Thanks for your support, generous St James Parishioners.



AMICI Volume 21 available at both entrances to church—Jacky Worthington and Friends of St Augustine around Australia keep us up-to-date. Take your copy home today.



St James School P & F is hosting a Family Fun Day Sunday November 14th after 9am mass. 10am to 6pm: Parishioners are very much welcome to attend the St James Christmas Family Fun Day. We will be hosting a High Tea Stall which will be open following the end of the 9am Mass. **Please take note that next Sunday, parking will NOT be possible in the school grounds.**



November Remembrance Mass for the Irish Community

Praying for the peaceful repose of our deceased relatives and friends at our Annual November Remembrance Mass, **Saturday 13th November at 11am, St. James' Church.**



Monday 22 November—Friday 26 November—No Mass.

Communion Service will take place on these days at St James Church. Parish Office closed. Frs Francis and Tuan Anh on Clergy Retreat; and Trish on annual leave.

Parish news

Available soon...new 28-day reflection resource called **New Life in**

Christ. Each day will include a scripture reading and a reflection upon it, as well as some relevant remarks from Pope Francis and the Congregation for the Clergy.



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Information Day for potential Cathedral Guides and Welcomers...

The guides and welcomers' group at The Cathedral of St. Stephen warmly invite you to attend an Information Day on becoming a tour guide and/or a welcomer at the Cathedral.

When: Saturday 27th November 2021 from 10 am to 2pm. Refreshments provided.

Where: Hanly room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral of St. Stephen, Elizabeth St.

The Information day is open to anyone, eg: retired people who may be missing the sense of community and camaraderie which working life brings, or anyone with some spare time on their hands who desires becoming part of a friendly and supportive team of Cathedral guides and welcomers.

We look forward to welcoming you. Please register your interest with Carmel Devery at the Cathedral Office on 07 3324 3006 or by emailing deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au



\$4 at entrances

Planned Giving for the Week of 31 October, 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 #: 100019791	\$968.85	\$395	\$267	Week 4	\$1,630.85
2nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100005891	\$629.55	\$325	\$257	only	\$1,211.55

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Finance Committee	Mark Garden	3397 1671
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This Sunday's Readings 32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading 1 Kings 17: 10-16 The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah. **Second Reading** Hebrews 9: 24-28 Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself. **Gospel Reading** Mark 12: 38-44 This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.



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 10th December @ 9am (as 3rd December is final day of school for St James and they have Farewell Liturgy in church).

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 3rd December.

Counters

November 6 / 7 Paul & Cecilia

November 13 / 14 Sylvia & John

Next week 33rd Ord Time November 14	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (1st weekend)	Denise & Group	n/a	Dew & Group
COMMENTATOR	Bill S	Merina M	Sean H
LECTOR	Ron S	Don T	Morag S
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Rosemarie Y Karleen O'R	Jan L	John W Christine U-M Mike S
ALTAR SERVER/S	Rodel / Ramil	Gene T-F	Leah S / Lalan C
POWERPOINT	Sydel	Gilbert / John D	June S / helper
MARSHAL	Lorie / Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	John W

Next Sunday's Readings 33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading Daniel 12: 1-3 When that time comes your own people will be spared.

Second Reading Hebrews 10: 11-14, 18 By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

Gospel Reading Mark 13: 24-32 He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

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

