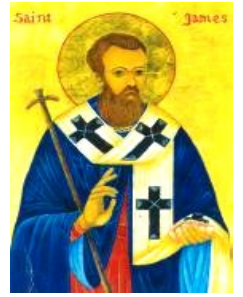


2ND SUNDAY ADVENT YR C 2022 5 DECEMBER

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



From the Parish Priest

add your name to the clipboard at the side entrance (only) to our church. We are requesting Volunteer Welcomers + Ushers; Servers; Commentators; Readers; Power-point Operators; Collectors; Eucharistic Ministers. 2021 Christmas Mass times noted below.

Christmas Masses

Ministry: please



Volunteers morning teas will be held in the Parish Hall this Sunday at 10am and next Sunday 12th December at 10am. You are all welcome.

St James Christmas Mass Times



December 24, 25, and 26

24 December, Friday - Christmas Eve

(5.30 pm Carols)
6.00 pm Christmas Eve Family Mass
(11.00 pm Carols)
12.00 am Midnight Mass

25 December, Saturday - Christmas Day

7.00 am Christmas Day Mass
9.00 am Christmas Day Mass

Registration is required for the following Christmas Masses **ONLY**:

- DEC 24, 6pm Christmas Eve - 6pm Mass (5.30pm Carols)
- DEC 25, 9am Christmas Day Mass

26 December, SUNDAY - Holy Family Sunday

7.00 am Sunday Mass
9.00 am Sunday Mass

Prayer Group

The first short week of readings from our booklet 'New Life in Christ' reminds us to be always attentive to what God is doing, what we are doing and what is going on around us at this time. As well, knowing that our road may not always be easy - our God... 'pours everything that He is, says and does into us' and that 'we must trust not in ourselves but in the one who is always faithful.' (2Timothy 2:13)



Vinnies Christmas Appeal 2021.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Cards and Calendars available for purchase from St Vincent de Paul at the entrance of the church ...

Christmas cards \$3 / Franciscan calendars \$8 / Columban calendars \$10

Every Child should be born with Hope for the future.

If you are able to make a contribution to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal, please do so today.

Your support can provide financial and emotional assistance to families spending Christmas in poverty.

VISIT the JESSE TREE with Christmas tags for gift giving - located near the side entrance to the Church. All donations received by 12th December will be greatly appreciated as the Christmas Hampers will be delivered the following week.

OR If you wish to give a financial donation, **envelopes for this purpose will be available at the door or on the pews.** **ALTERNATIVELY - You may wish to make a direct deposit to:**

BSB 064786
ACCT 100026564
ACCT NAME SVDP St James Conference Coorparoo

THANK YOU for your generous support.



Vinnies
good works

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

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

John the Baptist, Jesus' cousin, was a prophet who came to prepare the people for Jesus. John was a holy man who spent most of his time praying in the desert. When he left the desert, he traveled throughout the region of the Jordan calling people to repent and change their lives: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" (v. 4).

**BRINGING
HOME THE
GOSPEL**

God calls each of us to a close, intimate relationship.

Toddlers and teens, grown-ups and elders are all invited to share in God's love. The invitation is extended in all sorts of ways: through Scripture and study; through friends, relatives and acquaintances; in quiet spaces and noisy places.

But God especially counts on parents to issue the invitation to children, to introduce them to a loving God and to nurture their relationship with Jesus Christ. Our church baptises infants because we trust that children will be nourished by their parents' faith until they are old enough to claim their own.

Like John the Baptist, parents are expected to prepare the way so their children will be open to accepting God's personal invitation.

This can be done in subtle ways, such as creating a Christian environment at home with crucifixes and Bibles or beginning family rituals, such as nightly prayer or seasonal devotions (such as praying together around an Advent wreath).

But the most effective way for children to know who God is and what God asks of them is by listening to and watching the people who are most important to them. If God is going to be a reality in their lives, children must see in actions and hear in words that God is a reality in the lives of their mothers and fathers. For children, God's invitation to a forever relationship is best delivered personally through the words and example of their parents.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each family member to find something in the house that makes him or her think about God or faith. Talk about what each person finds.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Are you comfortable talking about your faith with your family? Why or why not?



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"Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing."

Sheepish Question:

How can I bring real hope to someone suffering in a difficult time?

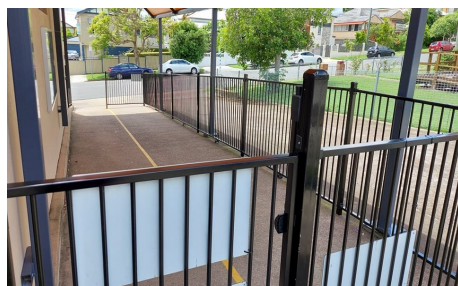
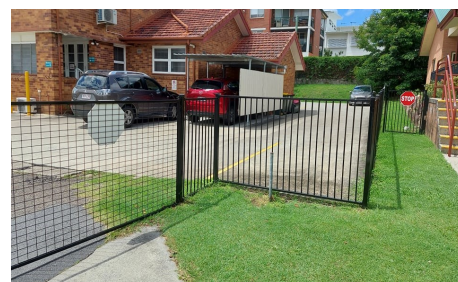
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**Have a Wonderful
& Safe Summer!**

Congratulations to all our Year 6 Students who finished their time at St James, thank you for your leadership! The school community also said farewell last Friday to Mr Cotter, Ms Daly, Ms Franks and Mr Griffin and to the students who are moving on to other schools. To all our students and teachers who all have done an awesome job in this quite challenging year 2021, HAVE A WONDERFUL & SAFE SUMMER!



At the beginning of Term 4, we've got the fencing works done & ready. This fence is between the school and Centacare building (a parish property) [see pictures of the fence]. The parish and school shared the cost of the fence. And the parish paid 50% of the works which comes to \$4,895.00. Thanks to the school for organising the works, and to the Parish Community for the ongoing support!



Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased:

Tina Romano; Victoria Paterson; Maria Turrini; Elizabeth Vandeleur; Lucrecia Hernandez Flores.

And these anniversaries: Joanne Downey; John Girard; Les & Ruby Richards; Reg Chapman; John Romano; Bradley Wenceslaus; James McGuire OSA; Anto Tolo.

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



Parish news

Friends Of St Augustine Christmas Gathering for Meal @Easts on Friday 17th December, 12.30pm for 1pm.



Inviting everyone to an Advent Worship evening here @ St. James Parish.

Date: Sunday, Dec 5 Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm

Free food and fellowship after the session.

Come along and bring your family and friends.



Caritas Australia Christmas Appeal Global Gifts.

www.globalgifts.org.au Call 1800 024 413

Purchase Christmas cards with the proceeds going towards supporting the world's most vulnerable.



St Veronica Welfare Committee's 2021 Christmas Gift Cards... See church doors for details on supporting these small, special projects throughout the world.

www.stveronica.org.au or admin@stveronica.org.au

89 Hardgrave Rd, West End.



ST JAMES COLLEGE, SPRING HILL a progressive multicultural Catholic Co-Educational Secondary College in the tradition of Edmund Rice (EREA) is still welcoming enrolment enquiries for **vacancies in 2022 in Years 7 – 12**. Welcoming students from diverse backgrounds and abilities so they can flourish in their learning and realise their potential. **ENQUIRE NOW** online or call Maria Young, Enrolments Officer on 3230 8600, MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au - the college office closes Friday 10 December and reopens Monday 10 January.



DECEMBER

4 / 5 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); **Year C 2nd Sunday Advent (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am)**. Advent Worship Night on Sunday 5pm
5 10am Morning Tea for Volunteers I (Hall)
8 Wednesday Advent Prayer group 8.45am
9 Lord Mayor's Christmas Concert 9am City Hall
9 Thursday St V de P gathering 6.30pm in the Priory.
9 Thursday choir rehearsal for Midnight Mass 7.30pm church.
10 **Friday 9am** Healing + Anointing mass
11 / 12 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); **Year C/2 3rd Sunday Advent (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am)**.
12 10am Morning Tea for Volunteers II (Hall)
15 Wednesday Advent Prayer group 8.45am
16-24 5am Dawn Novena Masses – Simbang Gabi

Parish news

Healing + Anointing Mass
Friday 10th December, 9am

Come to the Priory dining room for a cuppa afterwards.



Archdiocese of Brisbane launches first online parish

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has launched an online parish to engage the thousands of Catholics who practise their faith through a digital format.

The online parish will be led by Fr Peter Brannelly, who will be a regular on the Archdiocese's social media platforms engaging viewers across southeast Queensland and beyond. Each week, Fr Brannelly will be seen on the Archdiocese's social media platforms introducing the livestream of a Sunday Mass for parishioners. At other times, he will invite prayer intentions, describe the lives of saints on their feast days and feature in other engagement opportunities with parishioners.

Fr Brannelly will add the online ministry to his current role as parish priest of Caloundra.



Lord Mayor's Seniors Christmas Concert—
morning session 9am on Thursday 9th December 2021.
 Please call Trish to reserve your ticket— **4 tickets left.**



Position Vacant – Youth Ministry Coordinator

Applications are open for a position at The Mother of Mercy Catholic Parish (Hendra, Northgate, Hamilton). A person who can establish and develop a youth ministry program within the parish is required for 15 hours per week. [Link](#)



St James Choir rehearsals for Midnight Mass continue on Thursday nights at 7:30pm (to be confirmed) in St James Church.



See our website regarding the vaccination protocols and responses from Bishop Ken Howell (ArchBne)

Planned Giving for the Week of 28 November, 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	\$806.90	\$200	\$247	\$165	\$1,418.90
2nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100005891	\$411.55	\$135	\$217	\$245	\$1,008.55

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Finance Committee	Mark Garden	3397 1671
Pastoral Care	Parish Office	3397 1671
Safeguarding Officer	Kate Pearson	3397 1671

This Sunday's Readings Second Sunday Advent (Year C/2)

First Reading *Baruch 5: 1-9* Jerusalem—God will show you splendour. **Second Reading** *Philippians 1: 3-6, 8-11* Show yourself sinless and without blame in the day of Christ.

Gospel Reading *Luke 3: 1-6* All people shall see the salvation of God.



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.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 7th January 2022.

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY (at this stage).

Counters

December 4 / 5 Anne, Margaret & Sylvia

December 11 / 12 Karleen & Sandra

Next week	3rd Advent December 12	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (2nd weekend)	Pio + Myrna	n/a	Quang + Dan	
COMMENTATOR	David P	Don T	Judith R	
LECTOR	Karleen O'R	John D	Ray M	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Paul D Priya	Heather L	Carmel T Sean H John W	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R	Gene T-F	Leah S	
POWERPOINT	Cecilia D	Gilbert / John D	June S / helper	
MARSHAL	Lorie / Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	John W	

Next Sunday's Readings Third Sunday Advent (Year C/2)

First Reading *Zephaniah 3: 14-18* With gladness the Lord will rejoice over you.

Second Reading *Philippians 4: 4-7* The Lord is near.

Gospel Reading *Luke 3: 10-18* What, then, must we do?

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

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

