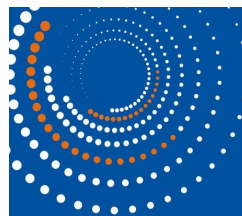


**6TH SUNDAY
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**The Parish of St James
Coorparoo
A Vibrant, Prayerful, Inclusive
Augustinian Parish
Archdiocese of Brisbane**



[National Church Life Survey](#). Thank you very much for participating in this Survey this weekend. If you know of a parishioner who has missed out on the survey this Sunday for whatever reason, please inform the office so we can reach out to them and also listen to their voice.



**LISTENING TO
EVERY
voice**

Parish Priest

Late last year, in the midst of the oftentimes frantic atmosphere that December and Christmas time usually brings to us, I was also finalising forms and documents for my Australian Permanent Visa (PR) application. At that time, if I flew overseas to visit family, I would not be able to just re-enter Australia (or at least I would not be a priority), unless I had a PR visa or Australian citizenship. So, I submitted my application before the year ended, pending a Visa Medical exam in early January 2022. When 2022 started, I got isolated (for COVID-19) and missed my original schedule for the Visa Medical exam. Migrants like myself would know of the difficulty of finding an ideal schedule for this as they are easily booked out. Eventually, I was able to reschedule the Visa Medical exam (not in Brisbane since they are booked out until March, but I was able to find a schedule at a Gold Coast immigration-recognised clinic, and that's where I had my exam). So 2021 ended and 2022 began with prayer and hope, in great anticipation for the results from the immigration office, which advised a 3-5 months waiting period.

On 24 January I received an unexpected surprise, very good news, that my Australian PR visa application was Granted. I prayed for this to come thru because I wanted to be in the Philippines for my Papa Arturo's (my father's) 1st year death anniversary come 28th March. It is quite complex to articulate how I felt not being able to visit my dad when he was showing signs of sickness in December 2020, and when he began to be seriously ill in the first quarter of 2021 due to a fast growing cancer, which led to his passing in late March 2021. This wasn't an isolated case, as I know of some families and individuals who were in a similar situation last year: death of a family member overseas, and the difficulty of travel due to restrictions.

In early February, I immediately tried to find out whether I could get tickets to fly home pending the approval of our Provincial, Fr Peter Jones, OSA. And just last week, my planned home visit was finally approved and I was also able to secure plane tickets. With mixed emotions I can now say that I am flying to the Philippines on 5th March.

With the plans for the year led by the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) in my mind, and the schedule that is in line with the Parish Strategic Direction or Planning (both by the PPC and Evangelisation Brisbane), I have chosen March and April to be away, so that I would be back before our **PARISH SUMMIT EVENT**, slated to take place on 30 April (more about this event soon!).



Fr John, OSA

I would presume by now that you have heard of the news that Fr Tuan is unfortunately leaving the parish, as his appointment here at St James ends at the end of February. What this entails is that there will be an Augustinian who will cover for me from 1 March—22 April. His name is Fr John Sullivan, OSA. He is currently appointed as Prior and Formator at Brookvale in Sydney. Previous to this role, he was Parish Priest at St Thomas Parish in Mareeba and he spent 25 years as a missionary in Korea. Fr John's family lives here in Brisbane, and he's an 'Old Boy' at Villanova College (both he and his brother, Michael, who is also an Augustinian appointed currently in our Vietnam community). Hope you show Fr John your warm St James—Augustinian hospitality when he comes soon!

- Fr Francis, OSA

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

The Beatitudes

Jesus continues to share his message of hope and love. Crowds begin to gather as his reputation spreads throughout the countryside. In this reading we hear about those who are blessed and those who are not. In the language of the day, to be blessed was to be happy. The blessings are called the Beatitudes. "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God" (v. 20).

**BRINGING
HOME THE
GOSPEL**

Every December I used to search for the perfect gift for each of my children—a gift that I was sure would light up their eyes on Christmas morning. Like every parent, I take great delight in seeing my children happy.

Imagine the satisfaction of being able to offer that joy with something that won't break when it's dropped or go out of fashion in a few months. That's the kind of happiness Jesus offers when he talks about the Beatitudes. Indeed, in his Sermon on the Plain, Jesus suggests we can be blessed with deep happiness in the most unpleasant of circumstances.

What's the secret of this joy, and how can we find it? We know it doesn't simply come with being poor or hungry, sad or persecuted. It might, however, be found in the way we look at and live through each of those situations.

Rich or poor, we all have to endure life's downs. No one can escape the pain of sickness or the death of a loved one. Perhaps the secret to happiness is in our accepting whatever life has to offer, certain that all will be well and confident of a happy ending.

All will be well because we don't have to rely solely on our own resources. God is with us, offering the strength we need. We also have the support of our family community in church and at home. And finally, we have

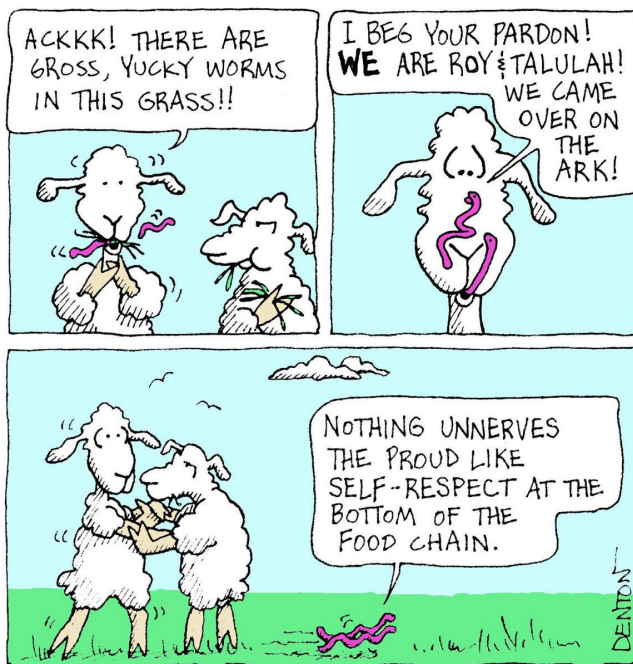
FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each family member to talk about his or her best family memory.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Have you ever experienced the kind of joy that can still bring a smile to your face today? What are the things that make you happy? Can you, or should you, make those things a regular part of your life?

the ultimate hope of a happy ending because Jesus has promised us one for eternity.



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"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours."

Sheepish Questions:

Who have I ignored or disdained lately? What is the root cause of my attitude and how can I change it?

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Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased: Bernard Walsh; Nancye Spencer; Oscar Pamittan; Fr Ellis Clifford; Nancy Spencer; Bonifacio Hallorina; Rudy Sueta; Michael Whitelaw; Ron Ketter; Josef Purrer.

And these anniversaries: Harold Frampton; Cheek Thomas; Graeme Dawson; Maria Canh; Peter Ty; James & Catherine Sullivan; Flaviana & Eulogio Diaz.

Please pray for these unwell: Kyle Nevan Silva; Lenore Girard; Marj Norris; Bill & Carmel Trewern; Bryan O'Connell; Noah Riley; Imelda Garcia Cacho; Nelia Juanzon; Lito Lobo; Catherine Sheridan; Margaret Tourish; Martin & Teresa Devine.

Please pray for our Baptismal children:

Luca Crisafulli; Arthur Best; Joel Adikari Appuhamilage.



Parish news

As always, many thanks from the Loreto nuns for the Used Stamps that you have dropped into the Priory over the holiday period.



Available at side entrance... our new prayer reflection resource for Lent and the Easter **The Spirit and the Cross**, \$5 cash donation. Prayer Group commences 9am (after mass) on Ash Wednesday, 2nd March.



Friends of St Augustine Gathering... **Wednesday 16th February, 6.30pm** in the Priory; visiting Easts after Gathering. Email regrets to Sylvia Phillips sylda-vid@optusnet.com.au and Sean Hodgson seanhodgson3@outlook.com



World Day of Prayer 2022 on Friday 4th March... by England, Wales and Northern Ireland. "I know the plans I have for you." The service is being held at St Stephens Anglican Church, Coorparoo starting at 10:00am.



An invitation to our parish laity with a heart of a servant-leader.



On 27 Feb - 3 April, for 6 consecutive weekends, the Parish Pastoral Council will formally feature a ministry area (6 of them). During these weekends, we extend an invitation to our parish laity who, guided by the Holy Spirit, think and feel that they could do more with the gifts they've been given for the good of God's people, thru our parish and leading thru a ministry-team context or environment. - Fr Francis, OSA



FEBRUARY

12-13 February National Church Life Survey 2022 during Vigil-7am-9am Sunday Masses.

12 / 13 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); **6th Sunday Ordinary** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); **Baptisms.**

16 Friends of St Augustine Gathering 6.30pm (Priory)

19 / 20 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); **7th Sunday Ordinary** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); **Baptisms.**

20 Sunday Farewell for Fr Tuan Anh, during 9am mass.

24 St V de P Conference 6.30pm in the Priory.

26 / 27 Saturday 5-5.30pm Reconciliation (book through Eventbrite); **8th Sunday Ordinary** (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7 & 9am); **No Baptisms.**

Parish news

Alpha 2022 is starting **9th March** (see posters at doors for information).

Registration can also be done online via alpha.org/try-alpha. Doreen Chen dashi-ki.c@gmail.com is our liaison person for St James. **Wednesdays**, starting 9th March 2022. **Time: 6.30pm-9pm** [Dinner included]. **Venue: St James Hall.**



St James Parish supports **The Little King's Movement for the Handicapped Parish Appeal**. Envelopes will be on our pews for the month of February. Last year, parishioners were generous in raising \$3,293.85 for the appeal.



Our weekend parish bulletins... We have been providing communication with all our fabulous parishioners via email, post or letter drop. **Has someone's circumstances changed?** Please let us know.



Women's Bible Lenten Study... For the women of the Parish who are wanting to journey deeper into Scripture this Lent: A women's Lenten Bible Study will be running on Thursday evenings throughout Lent, Dr Edward Sri's wonderful biblical pilgrimage "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion". Our sessions will involve watching a video presentation by Dr Sri and discussion afterwards. For more details please contact Jovi on jovina.james@gmail.com



On February 20th Sunday, during the 9am mass, we will farewell Fr Tuan Anh as he prepares for his next Augustinian appointment.

Planned Giving for the Week of 6 February, 2022

Collection <u>Account numbers</u>	Loose money [not pledged]	Envelopes [pledged]	Direct Debit	Credit card	Donation Tapmonth of January	Total
1st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100019791	\$705.90	\$210	\$412	Week 4	\$265	\$1,592.90
2nd Collection St James Parish BSB: 064 786 Account #: 100005891	\$396.60	\$189	\$512	only	\$265	\$1,362.60

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This Sunday's Readings 6th Sunday Ordinary Time (Year C/2)

First Reading *Jeremiah 17: 5-8* A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord. **Second Reading** *1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20* If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

Gospel Reading *Luke 6: 17, 20-26* Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!



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 4th March 2022 @ 9am.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 4th March 2022.

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY (at this stage).

Counters

February 5 / 6 Lenore & Brendon

February 12 / 13 Paul & Cecilia

Next week	7th Sunday Ordinary February 20	VIGIL SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (3rd weekend)	Glenn Hallorina	n/a	Canossa Choir	
COMMENTATOR	Bill S	Merina M	Lalan C	
LECTOR	Lorie R	Jana V	Leo B	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ron S Anne S	Marj N	Ray M Carmel T Pat P	
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R	Gene T-F	Leah S	
POWERPOINT	Paul D	Gilbert / helper	June S / helper	
MARSHAL	Karen / Edward	Brendon G / Trish R	Cathy M / Else C	

Next Sunday's Readings 7th Sunday Ordinary Time (Year C/2)

First Reading *1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23*
The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 15: 45-49* Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.

Gospel Reading *Luke 6: 1727-38* Be merciful as your Father is merciful.

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

*Be merciful, just as
your Father is merciful.
Luke 6:36*