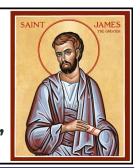
1ST SUNDAY LENT **YR A 2023 26 FEBRUARY**

ST JAMES PARISH COORPAROO

IS A PARISH OF ACCOMPANIMENT WHERE WE ENCOUNTER AND KNOW CHRIST, DEEPEN OUR FAITH, AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY



February 26, 2023 • 1st Sunday of Lent • Matthew 4:1-11

Get Away, Satan!

Jesus goes into the desert to pray and to fast. At the end of forty days he is tempted three times, first with food, then with power, and finally with riches. Jesus answers the tempter by quoting Scripture. The tempter responds with his own quotes from Scripture. Finally, Jesus tells the devil to go.



UHHH...

the fruit

OKAY

THIS IS

WAS TEMPTED.

VEGETABLE

vegetables

A DANGEROUS

A LITTLE TREE

Temptation is a part of life. Ever one must deal with it, even Jesus. One of our jobs as parents is to help our children develop a right conscience so they can face temptation. I remember when my young children were watching the movie Pinocchio and I was wishing my children had their own Blue Fairy.

There is a very solemn scene in the movie where the Blue Fairy asks Jiminy Cricket to kneel as she dubs him the "Lord highkeeper of right and wrong, counselor in moments of temptation." Wouldn't it be great if all our children were given tiny umbrellawielding consciences to keep them on the straight and narrow?

As Christians, we have very definite ideas of what is right and wrong. We are called to value others as much as we value ourselves and to value ourselves as much as God values us.

We can try to help our children internalize this message by taking

FAMILY RESPONSE

Have family members talk about what they think they will be like in ten years. What do they think God would want them to be like in ten years?

the time to listen and ask questions as they unpack their good deeds and bad. Why did they do what they did? How did they feel? Did the



But seriously, about temptation: How am I like Adam or Eve?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Write down your response to the Family Response. What do you think your life will be like in ten years? How do you feel about your response? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

action help or hurt others or themselves? How was the action wrong or right? We will do well if we teach our children to ask themselves these questions before they act.

Don't eat the fruit!

AAACKK!

IT IS A FRUIT!

I WON'T.

I KNOW WHAT

HAPPENED TO ADAM AND EVE!

Seriously?

YOU ATE

i+?!

We play the role of Jiminy Cricket for the first few years of our children's lives. We are the outside voice that points out right from wrong, until, we hope, like Pinocchio, they learn from their mistakes and successes and begin to listen to the quiet voice inside.

Then, like that little wooden boy, they, too, are on their way to becoming all their Creator hopes they will be.

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From Ashes to Hope, Lent prayer book 2023 is at the side entrance for \$5 cash donation. You can use the parish tap machine to buy 2. Our Prayer Group for the Lenten Program will use this book - information inside

This Lenten Resource will nourish and nurture your prayer, spirituality, and discipleship each day during Lent and into the first week of Easter - the perfect companion for daily prayer! The daily reflections will only require 5-10 minutes to read, reflect and pray. This Lenten practice will lead you into a deeper questioning and examination of your daily life as you are invited to move into an encounter with the person of Jesus - in your family life, work life, and the community - as you walk as a 'missionary disciple' on the path to Easter, and beyond.

- A small book that is easy to carry, and read, while commuting or sitting at home
- For each day there is a double-page spread with: a Scripture verse; a short reflection; a quote from Pope Francis; and a short prayer

This Sunday's Readings

1st Sunday Lent (Year A/1)

First Reading Genesis 2: 7-9; 3: 1-7 Creation of our first parents, and sin.

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

Now the serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death." Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths. Psalm 50(51):3-6,12-14,17 Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.

In your compassion blot out my offence.

O wash me more and more from my guilt

and cleanse me from my sin.

My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me Against you, you alone, have I sinned;

what is evil in your sight I have done.

A pure heart create for me. O God.

put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence,

nor deprive me of your holy

Give me again the joy of your help;

with a spirit of fervour sustain me,

O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise.

Second Reading Romans 5: 12-19 Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous.



Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Gospel Reading Matthew 4: 1-11 Jesus fasted for forty days and nights.

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, Scripture says:

Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God' he said 'throw yourself down; for scripture says:

He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these' he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God,

and serve him alone.

Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him. Copyright notice Copyright © 1996-2023 Universalis
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Social Justice PROJECT COMPASSION runs through the 6 weeks of Lent. It brings together communities

across the country in solidarity with the world's poor to eradicate and help build a world of hope. Money raised through Project Compassion goes towards Caritas Australia's humanitarian and

long-term development programs across poorer nations. (Laudato Si – The Cry of the Poor). The Order of St. Augustine is associated with the United Nations as a Non-Governmental Organisation. The Augustinian role is to support the promotion and defence of human rights and the eradication of hunger.



Prayers

Please pray for recently deceased:

Slavica Ljubas; Cletus Davis;

Florencio Gaudinez Jr; Veron Forsyth; Allan Solon;

Eusebio Cabonilas; Mary Jo Vidler.

And these anniversaries: Merle Chapman; Gerard O'Reilly; Jim & Mary Donaldson; Kevin & Tess Walsh;

Graeme Dawson; Cheeku Thomas.

Please pray for these unwell: Robbie Haley; Fr Kevin Tu'itti; Kerry See; Robby & Rachel Henry; Miriam Martin; Rosalie Pascual; Patricia Hildreth; Jose Luis Manzanilla Gil; Patricia Agnes; Mary-Rita Deakin; Aoife Stephenson; Michael Simpson; Jocelyn Diaz Tibayan.

Parish news *Lenten Program—prayer group on

FROM ASHES TO HOPE

Mondays after 8am

mass. All welcome. From Ashes to Hope, \$5 cash donation. You can use the parish donation tap machine (set at \$10 at entrances) to buy 2.

*Way of the Cross—Wednesdays from 1st March - held in the Church each Wednesday during Lent, after 8am mass.



Eucharistic Adoration—TUESDAYS from February 28th: St James Church, Coorparoo (8.30am till Wednesday 8am) Coordinator for St James Adoration: Vicky 0433 583 763. www.perpetualadoration.com.au brisbane.adoration@gmail.com



Our Lady of Graces Carina Parish Ageing Wisely Seminar on Tuesday 28 February, 9.30am-1.30pm.



HEALING + ANOINTING MASS: Friday 3rd March @ 9am, with cuppa afterwards.



World Day of Prayer 2023 Taiwan Friday March 3rd @ 10am Contact Karleen O'Reilly. (Venue: Mt Carmel Coorparoo)



and the Archdiocese of Brisbane invite you to celebrate the difference women are making in diverse areas of mission.

Date: Wednesday 8th Mar 2023 Time: 10.00 am - 11.00am (9.45am for a 10.00am start) Venue: Francis Rush Centre, 277 Elizabeth St, Brisbane

GUEST SPEAKER
Josephine Cullen

International Women's Day





#EmbraceEquity





25 / 26 Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation (through Eventbrite); 1st Sunday Lent (Saturday Vigil 6pm; Sunday 7, 9am); No Baptisms.

26 Sunday 9am St James School + Family + Parish mass. 28 Tuesdays Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration after 8am mass: (8.30am till Wednesday 8am)

MARCH

3 Friday @ 9am Anointing mass + cuppa afterwards. 2023 World Day of Prayer March 3rd @ 10am — Mt Carmel

Parish news

After losing her father when she

was just 10 -years-old, Laxmi was at risk of falling further into



extreme poverty. But with the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club, became a leader in her school and is now a mentor to other children in her village.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow

For All Future Generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or call 1800 024 413.



Roster for Mass Ministry will be available shortly. **Choir Roster will be added to Mass Ministry Roster.**





Planned Giving for the Week of 19 February, 2023 Envelopes Donation Credit Loose money Direct **Total** Tap [not pledged] [pledged] Debit card **Collection Account numbers** 1st Collection Augustinian Priory BSB: 064 786 \$1,566.10 \$834.10 \$60 \$357 \$150 \$165 Account #: 100019791 2nd Collection St James Parish \$362 \$345 BSB: 064 786 \$563.85 \$55 \$150 \$1,475.85 Account #: 100005891

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February 25 / 26 Karleen & Sandra March 4 / 5 Lenore & Brendon

Next week 2nd Sunday Lent March 5	VIGIL	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM
CHOIR (4th weekend)	Denise D	n/a	Dan F
COMMENTATOR	Helen D	John D	June S
LECTOR	Tisha K	Jana V	Kate P
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Anne S Sylvia P	Jan L	Priya Christine U-M John W
ALTAR SERVER/S	Joe R / helper	Brendon G / John D	/ helper
POWERPOINT	Paul D	Gilbert / helper	June / helper
HOSPITALITY	Karen / Edward	Trish R / helper	Cathy M / John W

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 3rd March @ 9am, with cuppa afterwards.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL: Friday 3rd March.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: continues weekly @ 9am mass.

families.stjames@gmail.com Just a reminder that the school playground is out of bounds outside school hours. Children should be under parent supervision and remain in line of sight at all times.

Next Sunday's Readings 2nd Sunday Lent (Year A/1)

First Reading Genesis 12: 1-4 The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1: 8-10 God has saved us, and called us to be

Gospel Reading Matthew 17: 1-9 His face shone like the sun.

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