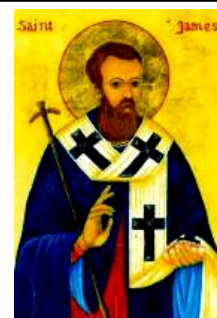


**3RD SUNDAY  
ORDINARY  
TIME  
YR A 2020  
25 / 26 JANUARY**

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



**Our mass today**

**3rd Sunday Ordinary Time: First Reading** *Isaiah 8: 23—9: 3* In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light. **Second Reading** *1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17* I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

**Gospel Reading** *Matthew 4: 12-23* He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.

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**VINNIES BUSHFIRE APPEAL**

Parishes across the country are taking up a special collection this Australia Day weekend (25/26 January), with all funds to be donated to Vinnies' bushfire appeal.

Collectors will be at each door as you leave mass today.



St Vincent de Paul Society  
QUEENSLAND  
*good works*



O God, Lord of all creation, our strength in adversity,  
our health in weakness, our comfort in sorrow,  
be merciful to your people in their efforts to quench the fires that rage in our land.  
Sustain all those living in fear with your courage,  
and keep from all harm those in the path of the fires and who give of themselves to protect life and property.  
We pray for rain throughout Australia.



**RCIA – ST JAMES (2020) on holiday break till February ...** Co-ordinator: Kev Mahoney. **Mass at Sunday 6pm** then the meeting is in St James Priory dining room.

We leave after the homily and retire for about 1 hour to discuss the Gospel and to explore some major areas of Catholic faith. Meetings conclude 7.15 - 7.30 pm. **{2020 Rite of Election will be held at St Stephen's Cathedral on the First Sunday of Lent, March 1st}**

**We welcome Fr Francis on his return to our parish next weekend 1 /2 February.**

**The Little King's Movement** once a year conducts a Parish Appeal, a Door Knock supported by some Catholic Schools. The Movement caters for people with disabilities in social and spiritual activities. There is no Government funding and the Movement is staffed by volunteers. Each year the calls for their services are increasing. The Movement, though based on Catholic beliefs is truly ecumenical, and all members are welcomed and respected for their own beliefs. There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Movement. If at this time you are unable to help financially you may be able to give of your time or talent's, if so please contact the Movement at 33 O'Keefe Street, Buranda, or phone: 3391 1432.



**Appeal weekend 1st & 2nd February.** We have placed envelopes on the pews.

**NEXT ANOINTING MASS: Friday 7th February, at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).**

**JANUARY**

**25/26** Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; **Year A 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time**  
**Vinnies Bushfire Appeal – extra collection to be donated for bushfire appeal.**

**27/28** no Pastoral Council or Finance Committee meetings in January

**29** Wednesday St James School Commences for Years P-6

**31** Fr Francis returns

**FEBRUARY**

**1/2** Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; **Year A Presentation of the Lord**  
**Appeal weekend 1st & 2nd February for Little King's Movement**

**7** Friday Anointing Mass at 10am (no 8am mass on this day).

**8/9** Saturday 4.30-5.30pm Reconciliation; **Year A 5th Sunday Ordinary Time**

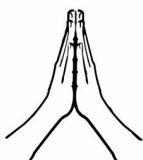
**11** Tuesday Celebrating Triduum and Easter 6—9pm Fr Denis Power Centre, Paddington

**12** Wednesday Friends of St Augustine Gathering 6pm for 6.30pm start

**14** Friday St James School Opening School Mass 9am in the Church

**15** Saturday Celebrating Triduum and Easter 9—12:00 noon Aspinall Hall, Upper Mount Gravatt





**Please pray for recently deceased:** Wilson Gavin; Joel Almeréz; Rita Moreaity; Patricia Hayez; Michael Lantoria; Josefina Villacarta; Marie Long; Fr John Barry OSA.  
**And these anniversaries:** Jack Killin; Crispina Gorre; Tresa William.  
**Please pray for these unwell:** Greg Whitney; Steven McSwan; Tess Walsh; Rodrigo Urbano; Santina Romano; Jocelyn Tibayan; Michael Simpson.  
**Please give prayers and welcome our Baptismal Children.**



### How will you be spending 26 January?

We invite you to spend some time reflecting on the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council's *2019 statement on 26 January...*

The 26th of January 1788 was not a day of celebration for Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander people nor was it for the passengers upon the first fleet – a mix of prisoners and military personnel. Perhaps it is time that we rethink the date upon which our nation comes together as one to recognise and acknowledge the gifts that God has provided in our great southern land.

For the past year, those that sit upon the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council have asked their community, peers, friends and fellow Catholics if they celebrate Australia Day.

The resounding response was no. That answer was not followed by hatred or vitriol, it was simply that they felt it was not meant for them nor was it mindful of the hurt experienced by Australia's First People. For many, the opportunity to spend the day with family and friends is appreciated and our people understand and respect the pride that some Australians have for the day, however the foundation of unity and inclusiveness is just not there.

Celebrating our nation on a day that harbours grief, invokes painful memories and ignores the true history of our society just doesn't make sense. Given that the day has been celebrated on various dates and under different names in the past 100 years, what will be lost by moving the date? NATSICC endorses the call to change the date of Australia Day and suggests 27 May as a starting point for conversation.

*National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council, 2019.*

*Fr Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv STL DD, is Bishop of Parramatta; Chairman, Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service, Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.*



**Mass Times** **WEEKEND:** Saturday 8 am; Vigil 6 pm; Sunday 7 am, 9 am, 6 pm.

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

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 4.30—5.30 pm.

**ADORATION:** Thursday 8 am.

**PRAYER GROUP:** each morning prior to Mass.

Next week	SATURDAY 6 PM	SUNDAY 7AM	SUNDAY 9AM	SUNDAY 6PM
February 1 / 2				
COMMENTATOR	Sylvia P	Berenice T-F	Pat M	Jincy J
LECTOR	David P	Don T	Judith R	Bill S
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Paul D Priya Helen D	Marj N Jan L Gene T-F	Yen N Ray M Pat P	John W Denis S Barbara D
HOSPITALITY	Michelle C Fred D	*	Nigel R	*
ALTAR SERVERS	Deneb	Gene	*(assistance needed, please contact parish)	John, Rodel, Ramil, Alyssa, Klaris
POWERPOINT	Paul	John, Gilbert	Di, June	Sydel

### Counters

**January 25 / 26** Karleen & Sandra

**February 1 / 2** Lenore & Brendon

### Next Sunday's Readings:

**Presentation of the Lord: First Reading** *Malachi 3: 1-4* The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple. **Second Reading** *Hebrews 2: 14-18* He had to be made like us in all things. **Gospel Reading** *Luke 2:*

*22-40* My eyes have seen your saving power.

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