



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Monday - Friday: 8.00 am to 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm to 4.30pm

Please note Office is closed 12.30 - 1.30pm.

School Principal

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Outside School Hours Care Coordinator

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A Parish of the North East Deanery in pastoral association with Hamilton Hendra Northgate Nundah Banyo Wavell Heights Aspley Geebung Zillmere Bracken Ridge Sandgate and Brighton

Readings - 23rd June - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Zechariah; 12:10-11;13:1; 2nd Reading Galatians: 3:26-29; Gospel: Luke 9:18-24



The Pope and the Right Words

The identity of Jesus has fascinated people century after century, even now after two millennia. That identity has so much depth that it is easy to be misled by emphasizing one element to the neglect of mystery.

In today's Gospel, we hear Peter proclaim: 'You are the Christ of God.' In Greek, Christos simply means 'Anointed' (Messiah means the same in Hebrew.) So Peter is saying: 'You are the Anointed One of God', the Messiah yearned for by the Jewish people.

This inspired insight is good so far as it goes. But did you notice the strange twist in the story? Jesus instructs Peter and the other disciples not to say anything, to keep quiet, not to spread this description of him. Why? Jesus knew that this title could so easily be misunderstood. One of the temptations which Jesus had faced was when he was taken by the Devil to the top of a high mountain and shown all the kingdoms of the world. 'These can be yours if you but worship me.'

Jesus was being offered a short cut to the success of his mission. He could use his popularity to marshal political support and achieve his program with sovereign power overcoming opposition ideologies. But Jesus rejected that greatest temptation. He had read enough of the prophet Isaiah to know that humiliation and suffering and the desolation of a wrenching death was the way marked out for him.

Jesus knew that Peter, the rest of the disciples, and certainly the crowd, had nowhere near reached the point He had in understanding the implications of being 'the Anointed One of God'.

And Jesus knew Peter very well. His birth name was Simon. Jesus changed that to Cephas in Hebrew or Petros in Greek, 'Peter' for us. It was a nickname full of irony. It means 'rock' and conveys the idea of rock solid, dependable. But for this effervescent, changeable fisherman 'Sandy' might have been more accurate than 'Rocky'.

If anyone could claim to understand the true identity of Jesus, but then completely misunderstand it, it was Peter. So, he was told to keep quiet.

Nevertheless, grace was given to Peter: to find the right words to express the faith of the disciples, the followers of Jesus, and thereby to tell the truth, even if not yet the whole truth in all its dimensions and implications.

This is still the role of the successor of St Peter, the Bishop of Rome, the Pope. By the grace of God, the Pope finds the right words to express the faith of the followers of Jesus, not his own idiosyncratic beliefs, and quite independently of his own character.

We need to pray that the Pope continues to find the right words to express the faith of the church in ways appropriate for our times. For example, he needs to find the words to express the fact that:

Jesus is more than a prophet. Even Islam believes that Jesus of Nazareth was a prophet, but Peter's successor needs to lead Muslims to a deeper understanding of the identity of Jesus.

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOMILY BY FR CLEMENT

Copies on table in church foyer.

ST. AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY

DINNER ROSTER

LifeTeen Mass - Sunday 5.30pm

If you can assist with this ministry by providing dinner to cater for 40-60 people please write your name on the roster in main church foyer.

Please note: **Costs incurred are reimbursed** with the presentation of docket to the parish office. See notice board for menu suggestions. Enquiries to Catherine at the parish office on 32622859



ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

NEXT MEETING Thursday 4 July, 2013 7pm Parish Office

If you have any questions or ideas please contact
Anne O'Connor on 3256 6013 or 0419 796 988.

AGGIES YOUTH - UPCOMING EVENT:

"A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church"

This is the third DVD in our series, "Catholicism - Journey Around the World and Deep into Faith" by Robert Barron. The film is followed by discussion and coffee.

For teens and young adults, this is an opportunity for you to explore your faith and share the journey with your Parish friends. If you are attending the 5.30pm Mass there will be time to grab a plate of supper before moving to APAC. **Please join us.**

Date: Sunday 14th July.

Time 6.45pm

At: APAC (Agatha's Performing Arts Centre,
1st level, St Agatha's School)

VIVID - Archdiocesan Youth Event

Sunday 28th July ~ 4pm to 8pm

Guest Speaker ~ Br Damien Price cfc
Archdiocesan Mass ~ Dinner. A dynamic Catholic youth event which celebrates our faith with energetic music, inspiring testimonies, prayer and a powerful message of hope for young people.

St Laurence's College
82 Stephens Rd, South Brisbane
Go Make Disciples! **Register now**
at www.cymbrisbane.org.au



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

FIRST RECONCILIATION

(for children in Year 2 or older)

ENROLMENT WEEKEND

6/7 JULY, 2013 AT ALL MASSES

Mass times: Saturday 6.00 pm; Sunday 7.00 am, 9.00 am & 5.30 pm

(enrolments forms are available at the church)

CELEBRATIONS:

- **Tuesday, 20 August, 2013 at 7.00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, 21 August, 2013 at 7.00 p.m.**

PLEASE NOTE

CHANGE OF DATES TO MEETINGS:

- **PARENTS NIGHTS:**
* 9 & 10 July 2013, 7.00pm Church
- **CHILDREN'S GATHERINGS:**
* 18 July 2013, 3.30 pm Church
* 15 August 2013, 3.30 pm (Church)

Attendance at all sessions is an essential part of the preparation.

Please keep these dates and times free of other appointments.

Enquiries to be directed to Jane Cameron at the St Agatha's Parish Office 3262 2859.

THE ANNUAL COMMISSIONING MASS FOR PASTORAL COUNCILS Sunday, 7 July 2013 at 2.30pm

St Stephen's Cathedral, 249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane.

All parishioners are welcome to attend. An opportunity to meet and share with so many other committed Pastoral Councillors from across our Diocese. Mass will be followed by afternoon tea in the Cathedral grounds. RSVP to mcl.fl@bne.catholic.net.au / Ph: 3336 9362

ST. RITA'S REUNION - 50 year Reunion of the class of '63 of St. Rita's College at Clayfield is to be held on 27th July. We are inviting all past students who attended St. Rita's in Year 9 in 1960 to Senior in 1963, and the Commercial Classes of 1960/61 to attend the Reunion. For more details, please contact Marnie Dann (nee Woolnough) on 0418 455 508 or Elizabeth White (Bottomer) on 0402 477 710.

Thank you to the 42 families

who made a gift to the Annual Catholic Campaign last weekend. If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider doing us. It is not too late. Your gift can make a real difference in the lives of many who are supported by our archdiocesan ministries in education, spirituality and outreach. Envelopes are available from the table in church foyer.



**ANNUAL CATHOLIC
CAMPAIGN 2013**
ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died: recently:

Ned O'Connor, Jack Merrotsy, Cecily Dobson, Eileen Caton, Joseph Barrett, Bishop Adrian Charles AM (Anglican diocese of Brisbane), Raymond Donaldson, Rose Ferricks, Hazel Hawke, Norman Gadsby.

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Len Moynihan, John and Ellen Barnes, Irene Hogan, Annette Douglas, Eve Douglas, Helen Hughes, Eileen Williamson, Frances Tibbits, Edward O'Keefe, Thomas Heike, Victor Versace, Jim Harding, Neil Smith, Maurie Bredhauer, Joan Riordon, Dell Thornton, Miguel Lopez.

Those who are sick:

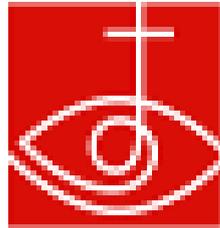
Annette Riba, Margaret Hollingworth, Tyler Guyder, Maria Maczynski, Caitlin Yarde, Roberta Wright, Zara Burke, Sienna Emery, Bishop Michael Putney, Anthony Nicholas, Kathleen Hickey, Jenny and Nina Hummselshoj, Fr Brian Taylor, Cathy Sullivan, Donna McGrane, Terasita Trisoglio, Barbara Kozak, Anne Nimmo, Vincent O'Connell, Gregory Winch, Lyn Allen, Betty Schofield, Randal McFarlane, Lyn Gavison, Jyoti Bharadia, Dot McMaster, Mel Purwo, Patricia Evans, Pam Farr, Benedetta De Santi, Jennifer Baker, Patricia Woolhouse, Judy Freeman, Johnathon Adams, Sue Hall, Rosaria Tieppo, Maia Balsillie, Charles Kannengiesser, Ronald McCann, Alison Doust, Jonathan O'Brien, Peter Wood, Vera Jokic, Gabrielle Greathead, Tim Devlin, Loretta Giles.

You will note a number of names which have been on the sick list for many months have been removed. If you would like to have a name put back on please contact the parish office. Also a reminder to let us know when names are no longer required to be shown on the list.

V9 – Vocations Novena

An Archdiocesan supported *Novena for Vocations* initiative which begins on Sunday the 16th of June and goes through until Sunday the 11th of August 2013, concluding at the end of the National Vocations Awareness Week.

Please keep Vocations in your prayers over these weeks with these words.....



vocation

*At the sight of the crowds Jesus' heart was moved
For they were like sheep without a shepherd
Jesus said, "The harvest is ready but the labourers
are few"*

Ask the Lord to send out labourers for harvest.

O Lord we pray

that young men will answer the call

To become priests in Your harvest

And shepherds for people.

Amen.

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Jesus is more than a fully enlightened, compassionate being. Even Buddhism can believe that Jesus of Nazareth was such a being, but Peter's successor needs to lead Buddhists to a deeper understanding of the identity of Jesus.

Jesus is more than a wise teacher who portrayed a noble way of life and was done to death by a squad of Roman soldiers. Many in the western world believe that much, but Peter's successor needs to lead them to a deeper understanding of the identity of Jesus.

The Pope needs to find the words to proclaim to the world that Jesus of Nazareth:

- is the body language of God;
- is the way God is under conditions of space and time
- is the conqueror of death, the vanquisher of the grave
- is the One anointed to bring us salvation, a share in that conquest and victory
- is the One who will transfigure our bodies in the light of his resurrection
- is the One who will fill us with eternal joy.

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SVDP WINTER APPEAL

**The SVDP is conducting it's
WINTER APPEAL**

The St Agatha's Conference visits people in a large area from Pinkenba to Bowen Hills, and this winter a large number of calls are expected, from families and single persons, seeking food, clothing, furniture and financial assistance.



Any donations are gratefully appreciated.

**Please use the envelopes provided on the church seats,
and on behalf of the people assisted by the SVDP. Thank You.**

ARE YOU MISSING

ANY PLATES OR SERVING PLATTERS?

There is a collection of plates and serving platters which have been left in the church kitchen after various morning teas.

Please check whether any belong to you.

Quote..... 'If God can work through me, he can work through anyone.' *St Francis of Assisi*

PARISH ROSTERS

Please arrange a substitute if you are unavailable on your rostered day.

6.00pm 7.00am 9.00am 5.30pm

READERS

22/23 June	Julie-Anne Gibson Graham Gibson	Sharon Hickey Andrew Douglas	Katrina Murphy Peter Ryan Jane Arkininstall	Life Teen Mass
29/30 July	Rachelle Brown Marie Ho	Mark Burton Blue Doyle	Wilma O'Connell Leanne O'Shea Peter Gilroy	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

22/23 June	Marie Ho	Blue Doyle	Henry Weld	Life Teen Mass
29/30 June	Eddie Foley		Ariane Ryan	Life Teen Mass

Gift Bearers are asked to write their names on the monthly sheet on table except for the Young Parishioners' Mass and special masses.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Prep to Grade 4 children are encouraged to participate. *Please note any younger siblings need to be accompanied by an adult.*

23 June *School Holidays - No Childrens' Liturgy*
30 June *School Holidays - No Childrens' Liturgy*

ORGANISTS:

22/23 June	Sr Marguerite	Mark Leung	Mark Sayers
29/30 June	Catriona McPherson	Mark Leung.....	Sr Marguerite

SANCTUARY CARERS:

29 June Santina Catalano, Angela Delonga

Volunteers needed. These important ministries need more volunteers. Please contact Fr Farrelly or the Parish Office on 3262 2859 if you would like to help.

WEEKEND TIMETABLE

Masses: Saturday 6.00 pm
 Sunday 7.00 am
 9.00 am
 5.30 pm



Reconciliation: Saturday 5 pm – 5.30 pm

Rosary: Before most masses

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

Mass: Monday 6.30 am
Mass: Wednesday 9.00 am
Mass: Thursday 9.00 am
Mass: Friday 9.00 am

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES

If you need to speak to a priest about an urgent matter, please phone pager 3835 9885.

Baptismal Preparation Meeting

We hold a preparation session for baptism on the First Sunday of the month after the 9.00 am Mass. We celebrate baptism on the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month except in Lent



For bookings and further information , please phone the parish office on 3262 2859.

Care and Concern



- Do you need transport to a doctor's appointment?
- Do you need a meal cooked for you?
- Would you like someone to visit you?

If you or someone you know would like assistance with transport, meals or visits please call St Agatha's Care & Concern on **0419 988 811**.

We are available and ready to help.

JUST CALL.



As a parishioner, do you have some time to give to help in the above ministry?

Are you interested in helping to bring parishioners to Mass?

If you can help please contact the parish office on 3262 2859 or email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Calendar

July

Saturday 6 & Sunday 7

- **Enrolment Weekend for Reconciliation**

THE CATHOLIC LEADER-Copies On Sale - \$2.00

- * Charities stepping up efforts to support more than 20,000 homeless people in Queensland
- * Parish plans to build new church in prime spot at Broadbeach
- * Pope urges world leaders to serve all of humanity, starting with the poorest, the most vulnerable and the unborn
- * Brisbane principals on pilgrimage to explore Mercy traditions in Ireland
- * Brisbane Catholic Education launches scholarship to encourage more Indigenous teachers
- * Pope Francis and Anglican leader pledge to support each other in search for full unity
- * Archbishop commissions pilgrims heading to World Youth Day in Brazil in July

Readings - 30th June - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Kings 19:16.19-21; 2nd Reading Galatians 5:1.13-18; Gospel: Luke 9:51-62