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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 Mrs Carol Sayers

Outside School Hours Care Coordinator Ms Sarah Daws

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 - 4 August - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23; 2nd Reading Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11; Gospel: Luke 12:13-21



What treasures go with us when we die?

Portability of entitlements is a topic of interest to many. If I change jobs what will I have to leave behind? What will I take with me? The underlying desire is to avoid disadvantage in the change of circumstances, to move to a future with a higher degree of confidence and stability. Today's liturgy of the Word takes us to the end of our lives and has us facing the question of what is portable through the experience we call death.

When we die we no longer interact with the world in the way we did. True, through wills, we can continue to exert some control *post mortem* but we are no longer the active player/participant we once were. The author of the book of Ecclesiastes, a book written in the 3rd century BC on the meaning of life and well worth reading still, sees a senselessness in our frenetic activity because we then die and leave everything to someone else. He concludes that living day by day, enjoying the simpler realities of

life is the wise way to act. Jesus talks to the crowds of his day with the story of the bigger barn builder, goods storer, who achieves his goals and then dies before he can enjoy it. Like Ecclesiastes this is silliness in the extreme.

Richness in the sight of God is all that transforms us from self seeking to other considering. The use of time, talent and treasure God has given each of us will have to be accounted for. What did we do with it? If we have used these three great things well we shall be able to be at home with God who is always acting for the good of the creation the Trinity willed into existence. The Trinity will not ask us what material wealth we amassed in our life time, but what we did with it. We will not be asked how long we lived, but what did we do with each day we woke up to. We will not be lauded by the Divine for being a talented individuals but how we used our many gifts so that others could grow to know how deeply loved by God they really were.

This self constantly being recreated in the image of Christ is what we shall take with us through death. With this self we shall open our eyes on the other side of death and see God face to face. We shall be at home and welcomed as a saint among the saints in the halls of heaven. Fr Adrian Farrelly

Farewell Father Clement

Monday morning Fr Clement flies out of Brisbane to Honiara, capital of the Solomon Islands. There he waits until one of the boats that travel between the islands comes along. The journey to the island where his home village is takes two days. Going ashore from the boat is by outboard-powered dingy that shoots the waves to the beach. His mother and sister do not know he is coming home as there is no easy form of communication in a place without electricity, internet or phones of any kind. But this is Fr Clement's home where he can talk easily with his family and friends in Tolo their mother tongue. I am sure I speak on behalf of all of us here at St Agatha's as I wish Clement well for the future as he uses his gifts for the betterment of his people scattered over this nation of many islands. I have delighted in his gentle presence and his generosity of service in the parish.





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 dockets to the parish office. See notice board for menu suggestions. Enquiries to the parish office on 32622859

ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

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



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Father, help all people to know their vocation in life, and assist them to prepare for it.

For your glory, and for the service of your people, call many to be Priests and Religious.

Give those whom you call the grace to respond generously and persevere faithfully.

Mary, Mother of the Church, show your care for the body of Christ, encourage many vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Amen.

ST STEPHEN'S YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

invites you to join our annual

Youth Expo in the Cathedral grounds on 11th August after a special Young Adult Mass at noon. There will. be stalls of different Catholic organisations and religious as well as plenty of food and drinks and live music. Bring your family and friends to enjoy the day as well as to support St Stephen's Young Adults Ministry.. For further information, please visit our facebook page: St.Stephen.Young Adults.Ministry.

St Andrew's Hymn Festival - Sunday 11th August 2013 at 9.30am

You are invited to come and sing the great hymns of faith along with a massed choir, organ and orchestra. Leading the singing will be St Andrew's Sanctuary Choir and Brisbane Concert Choir of St Andrew's. The hymns will be accompanied by the Sinfonia of St Andrew's and Dr Steven Nisbet on organ, with conductors Dr Debra Shearer-Dirie and Katherine Chan. Admission is free. A free-will offering will be taken.

FEAST DAY OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MacKILLOP

Archbishop Coleridge invites you to celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop by attending a special Mass at 10 am, Thursday, 8 August 2013 at the Cathedral of St Stephen. Morning tea and a Ministry Festival will be held in the Cathedral grounds following the Mass, with more than 30 ministries represented. RSVP via email at: rsvp@bne.catholic.net.au or call (07) 3324 3200.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

CHILDREN'S GATHERING:

* 15 August 2013, 3.30 pm Church

FIRST RECONCILIATION

(for children in Year 2 or older)

CELEBRATIONS:

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

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

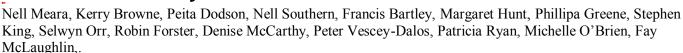
ALL SAINTS ARTS CONFERENCE "WONDER" is being held on Saturday 31 August 2013 at All Saints Parish, 4 Faheys Road East, Albany Creek. This highly acclaimed annual event features speakers: Bernadette McAndrew (Pastoral Associate and Religious Educator), Susan Daily (silks painter and graphic arts specialist), Ryan Andrews and Zach Woodward (youth ministry retreat facilitators) together with renowned local presenters Anne Frawley-Mangan and Michael Mangan. Full day workshop for school teachers and liturgists alike – open to anyone in parishes and schools involved with Liturgy, Children's and Youth Ministry, Family Mass Teams, Sacramental Programs and Religious Education. Approved by BCE as 5 hours PD for Accreditation to Teach Religious Education in a Catholic School. Cost: \$65 per person or \$50 Early Bird Special fully paid by 17 August 2013. Enquiries email allsaintsartsconference@gmail.com or call 0433 165 701.

RETREAT DAY AND HEALING PRAYER with **Fr Ken Barker** Missionaries of God's Love **Sunday 25**th **August 2013, 11am – 3.30pm.** You are invited to experience the dynamic words and the spiritual wisdom of Order Founder and Author. Don't miss this unique opportunity to deepen your faith and be inspired by Fr Ken's infectious love of God.

Talk 11am, Mass 11.45am, 1pm Book launch of Fr Ken's new book by Bishop Brian Finnigan. St Thomas' Catholic Church Perth Street Camp Hill, car park entrance Stephen St. Please invite others. BYO lunch, tea/coffee available. After lunch Fr Ken continues the Retreat Day to 3.30pm

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died: recently:



And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Rory Schuh, Vince Larosa, May McKenzie, Andrew Frendo, Laurence and Eileen Quinlan, Fr Tom Gard, Shawn Macgroarty, Emily Sherman, Edna Taylor, Mrs B Ord, Douglas Haigh, Frederic Meyer, Harry Ketter, Paul John Thornton, Rev Bro James Hodda, Audrey Dobby, Brian Sleeman, Mona Moynihan, Ray Hall.

Those who are sick:

Bruce McPherson, Andrew McPherson, Moira Lye, Kate Turnbull, Ron Paul, Annette Riba, Margaret Hollingworth, Tyler Guyder, Maria Maczynski, Caitlin Yarde, Zara Burke, Roberta Wright, Sienna Emery, Bishop Michael Putney, Anthony Nicholas, Kathleen Hickey, Lyn Allen, Jenny Hummselshoj, Fr Brian Taylor, Cathy Sullivan, Donna McGrane, Barbara Kozak, Anne Nimmo, Vincent O'Connell, Gregory Winch, 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.....

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.

Father Adrian's 40th Anniversary of Ordination Celebrations - A reminder to those who nominated to bring a plate for next weekend's Masses [10 & 11] August

Thank you, Parish Pastoral Council

Open Morning: Seton College, Mt Gravatt East

Tuesday, 6 August from 9 am in the College Chapel with an Information Session followed by a tour of the College. Enrolments are now being accepted for Year 8 (2014, 2015) and Year 7 (2015, 2016). Visit the College website at http://www.seton.gld.edu.au or 'phone 3291 5333 to obtain an enrolment package.

RCIA INFORMATION NIGHT will be held on Thursday, 29 August at 7 pm in the Parish Office. This is for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic.

Santa Chiara presents the classic family film: Miracle of Marcelino HOYTS Redcliffe, 1pm Sunday 25th August. Book and pay for tickets by 16th August and pay just \$10 Adults \$6 Children. Price increases to \$13 Adults \$8 children after this date. All proceeds go to charity. Please phone Maureen on 0401 548 796 or email santachiaraevents@gmail.com. Bringing Catholic films of new and old to the big screen.

You are invited to join with us to sing the top 10 favourite hymns from the 2013 survey. When? Saturday, 10 August, 2.00 pm Where? St Luke's Uniting Church,



Cnr Jackson & Oxford Streets, Hamilton Gold coin donation to assist with Christian outreach at Hamilton and Hendra state schools.

A plate of food to share for afternoon tea would be appreciated.

The focus of this year's **Catholic** Mission Propagation of the Faith



appeal, is the work of Sister Clara

and her Salesian Sisters in Chennai in India. Sister Clara and her fellow Sisters know very well they cannot continue their work, rescuing girls from lives of slavery, prostitution and trafficking, without prayer. Sister Clara specifically mentioned when she was recently out here, that her relationship with Jesus is of paramount importance to her work. On behalf of Sister Clara, and the hundreds of missionaries like her around the world, and all those children who are 'rescued', thank you for your generosity.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm

READERS

3/4 August Eddie Foley Chanelle Simpson Michael Crutcher Life Teen Mass

Jack Williamson Sharon Hickey Trish Ryan

Jane Arkinstall

10/11 August Paul Bartels Mark Burton Young Parishioners Life Teen Mass

Judy Bartels Blue Doyle

COMMUNION MINISTERS

3/4 August Trish Hickey Paulette Archer Ariane Ryan Life Teen Mass 10/11 Augusst Eddie Foley Blue Doyle Dorothy McSweeney 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

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

4 August Judy Smith (L), Margaret Ganly

11 August Young Parishioners — No Children's Liturgy

ORGANISTS:

3/4 August Sr Marguerite Mark Leung Catriona McPherson

10/11 August Catriona McPherson Mark Leung Robyn Cuming / Paul Fiumara

SANCTUARY CARERS:

10 August Santina Catalano, Maria Fistrovic

<u>Volunteers needed.</u> 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 **C**oncern



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

THE CATHOLIC LEADERCopies On Sale \$2.00

- * Full coverage of World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro
- * What Pope Francis said and did at WYD his actions speak louder than words
- * Benedictine monks from US investigate possibility of establishing abbey in Brisbane or Armidale dioceses or other parts of Australia
- * Schools' Catholic ethos shines through Catholic Education Week, says education leader
- * Eight-page Vocations
 Awareness Week feature –
 Brisbane archdiocese and
 religious orders offer options for
 people considering vocations
 *Archdiocese shows support for
 kindergarten children by
 opening new facility in growing
 area.

Readings - 11 August - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9; 2nd Reading Hebrews 11:1-2. 8-12; Gospel: Luke 12:35-40