



# ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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

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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 - 29 September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st Reading: Amos 6:1. 4-7; 2nd Reading 1 Timothy 6:11-16**

**Gospel: Luke 16:19-31**



What is in a name?

Marketing has made us well aware of the no name approach. No name brand grocery products, clear skin bottles of wine, generic medicines in the pharmacies are offered at a lower price to those with registered brand names. Even though the products may have exactly the same ingredients often for our own reasons we choose the one with a name, usually one that we recognise. Often, so I am told, the products come from the same manufacturer and the manufacturer as a result does not miss out on selling what they produce regardless of how it is labelled.

What might make for clever marketing strategies does not capture how God relates with all of us who are made in the divine image. Names are important. Our name is part of our individuality. We are pleased when people remember our name. We are not just a faceless no name part of the crowd. Companies these days know this and use it as a marketing strategy. They insist on those who call being addressed by their name which at times can irritate because it assumes a degree of intimacy that may not exist and which the caller may not wish to exist at that time. I confess that

I act perversely some times by responding that my name is Father Farrelly or Doctor Farrelly rather than divulge my Christian name. But enough of that.

The story that Jesus tells today about the consequence of indifference to the physical wellbeing of those around us interestingly though indirectly focuses on names and no names. This story is the only one of all those told by Jesus where one of the characters has a name. The character is called Lazarus and he is in a pitiful situation. He lives on the street begging. He is sick and tended to only by dogs that lick him. The no name rich man absorbed in his well-to-do life style is not even aware that Lazarus exists or if he does, does not see he has to do anything about him. With the mindset of the day if he did see him he would have seen the plight he was in as the result of his own sin or the sin of his parents!

The story continues. Both men die. In the next life the roles are reversed. Lazarus enjoys the company of Abraham the father in faith of the people while the rich man is in torment and longing just for a drop of water. The story does not say that there was anything virtuous about Lazarus for him to find happiness. Nor does it say that the rich man did evil. All we know is that he was not aware of Lazarus or if he was, he acted with complete indifference to him. In all likelihood if he did know of his existence, he did not know his name. Lazarus was not a person for him. He was a nobody.

Today is Social Justice Sunday and the Bishops of Australia have issued their annual statement. This year the title is "Lazarus at our gate." Nationally, locally and personally the bishops pose the question about those in need whom we can so easily not see or treat as nobodies.

Jesus told stories for people to see themselves and see where they needed to change. In this story the stakes are high. In this life we can change. In the next that possibility is gone. Even if they wanted to, Lazarus cannot go to the no name any more than he can come to Lazarus. The closed heart and mind of no name has created a gulf that cannot be bridged. When he was with his friends did he speak of people by labels not names. Did he refer to parasites, bleeding hearts, do gooders? Are we label users or name users? Whom do we not notice? Now is the time to change.

Fr Adrian Farrelly



**Social  
Justice  
Sunday**

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**HOMILY BY FR JOSEPH**

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 dockets to the parish office. See notice board for menu suggestions. Enquiries to the parish office on 3262 2859



## ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

### NEXT MEETING

**Tuesday 1 October**  
**Parish Office - 7.00pm**

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



The Australian Catholic Youth Festival is a national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. The festival has taken as its theme "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me" Luke 4:18

Young people from year 9 (in 2013) to young adults 25 years of age are invited to attend. Young people will be provided with opportunities to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia.

**When:** 5-7 December 2013

**Where:** Melbourne

**Registration:** Early Bird closes 20<sup>th</sup> September

Registration closes 25<sup>th</sup> October

For full details, costs and registration visit [www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au](http://www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au)

## NEW EVANGELISATION

### "OPEN WIDE THE DOORS TO CHRIST"

**"Join the Most Reverend Mark Coleridge Archbishop of Brisbane in exploring the call to mission, to share the encounter with Christ by opening the doors of our hearts to others"**

**Seminar:** Tuesday 8 October, 7.00-8.30pm  
Cathedral of St Stephen  
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane

**Workshop:** Tuesday 15 October, 7.00-9.00pm  
Francis Rush Centre  
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane.

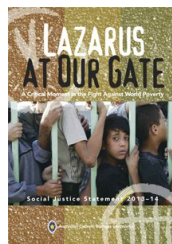


## ST AGATHA'S JUNIOR CHOIR

### Do you love to sing??

We are seeking interest from children aged 8-14 to form a junior choir here at St Agatha's Parish. A minimum of 12 at least are needed to form the choir. If your child is interested in taking part please contact the Parish Office 3262 2859.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY



This year's Social Justice Statement is titled:

***'Lazarus at our Gate: A critical moment in the fight against world poverty'.***

The Statement urges all Australians to focus on our obligation to help the world's poorest and to work to combat poverty wherever it is found. Although progress has been made over the past decade in the fight against extreme poverty, one billion people still live on less than \$1.25 per day, and 20 per cent of the world's poor live in countries near Australia. Copies are available on table in church foyer.

## REPERTOIRE AND FORMATION DAY for LITURGICAL MUSICIANS

### *Music for Lent and accompanying/leading liturgical music*

The final (and one-off) full-day workshop for liturgical musicians in 2013 will be held as follows:

**Saturday 19 October 9.30am – 3.00pm Sacred Heart Church, Given Terrace, Paddington**

This session will focus on (1) music for Lent including psalms (seasonal and otherwise), Gospel Acclamations and Mass parts, and (2) accompaniment skills for instrumentalists, leading skills for cantors and choirs, and strategies for getting assemblies to sing. This is a great opportunity to have a good sing, share helpful tips and resources and ask advice on liturgical music issues.

**PRESENTERS:** Helentherese Good, Anthony Young, Elizabeth Harrington and friends...

**FEE:** \$40 per person (max \$240 per parish/school) to cover catering (lunch, tea & coffee are provided), presenters, handouts, etc.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register by Tuesday 15 October to assist with catering and planning.

Registration forms are available on table in church foyer.



## *In our prayers we remember*



### *Those who have died: recently:*

Lorna Agnew, Marie Lohan, Jimmy Hurley, Neville Halligan, Patricia Hyland, Pat Lane, Noella Liu, Noel Creevey, Corris Harvey, Ron Paul, Kathleen Bassingthwaighte, Maria Maczynski, Margaret Goves.

### *And those whose anniversaries occur about now:*

Fausto Rada, Giovanni Larosa, May Schuh, John Agnew, William Hinson, Merv Devlin, Marian Sullivan, Arthur Sayer, Eileen Gleeson, Ernest Gleeson, Ann Thornton, Patrick Bredhauer, Alice Bredhauer, Gladys (Cis) McCray, Rev Fr Bernard McLaughlin, Margaret Stewart, Mary Markwell, Amanda Orreal, Dulcie McGarry, Jack Tennison.

### *Those who are sick:*

Michael O'Sullivan, John & Jeanette Moore, Narelle Guyder, Gladys Pacheco, Roma Douglas, Bruce McPherson, Andrew McPherson, Moira Lye, Kate Turnbull, Margaret Hollingworth, Caitlin Yarde, Roberta Wright, Bishop Michael Putney, Anthony Nicholas, Kathleen Hickey, Lyn Allen, Fr Brian Taylor, Cathy Sullivan, Donna McGrane, Barbara Kozak, Anne Nimmo, Vincent O'Connell, Gregory Winch, Betty Schofield, Lyn Gavison, Dot McMaster, Mel Purwo, Patricia Evans, Pam Farr, Benedetta De Santi, Jennifer Baker, Judy Freeman, Sue Hall, Johnathon Adams, Rosaria Tieppo, Maia Balsillie, Charles Kannengiesser, Ronald McCann, Alison Doust, Peter Wood, Jonathan O'Brien, 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.

### **With great joy we welcome into the Catholic Church Community:**

Rafael Griffin and  
Toby Pickford



### **who will be baptised this Sunday and:**

Ellie Macann and  
Willow Berkeley

### **who were baptised last Sunday.**

### **GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION**

The Cathedral of St Stephen invites couples celebrating 50 years or more wedding anniversary, together with their families and friends, to Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Mark



Coleridge, on **Saturday 5 October at 10.00am**. Light refreshments in the Francis Rush Centre following Mass. RSVP: Cathedral Office on 3324 3030 by Wednesday 2 October 2013.

### **NET MINISTRIES AUSTRALIA**

NET Ministries needs generous people to share a simple gift of hospitality. Our volunteers need a home in your area for a few nights while they are in Brisbane undertaking their training and ministering to young people.

NET Ministries is a Catholic peer-to-peer youth ministry whose volunteers proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to the young people of Australia.

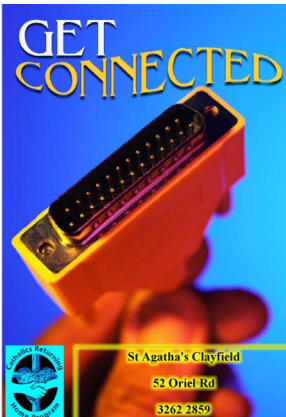
- NET team members are 18 to 30 years old
- They are full-time volunteers for 1-2 years.
- They come from Australia, NZ, Canada, the USA and beyond

All team members have up to date working with children checks.

Our Netters are happy to fit in with your families' schedule and don't require any transport.

If you are able to open your home to a pair of NET team members or have any questions, please contact Michelle Pyke by email [michelle@netministries.com.au](mailto:michelle@netministries.com.au) or call the NET office on 3217 5299. More information on what NET is and what we do can be found on our website [www.netministries.com.au](http://www.netministries.com.au)

**A MEMBER OF THE NET MINISTRIES WILL BE SPEAKING AT ALL THE MASSES NEXT WEEKEND.**



### **Catholics Returning Home - Get Connected**

Join us for 6 sessions, "Catholics Returning Home",  
**Wednesdays from 16 October from 7.30-9.00pm** at St Agatha's Catholic Church,  
52 Oriel Rd, Clayfield

Have you been away from the Church and you are seeking to reconnect and get an update on your Catholic faith? Perhaps you know someone who has left the Church? or just beginning to worship with us again? Please invite them to join us – the lilac brochures at the doors of the Church make excellent invitations. Let's share the good news of our faith with others!

*More information: contact Lisa on 0418 734 147*



## PARISH ROSTERS

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

	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
<b><u>READERS</u></b>				
28/29 Sept	Eric Van der List Phil Zammit	Blue Doyle Mark Burton	Trish Ryan Michael Crutcher Wilma O'Connell	Life Teen Mass
5/6 Oct	Paul Bartels Judy Bartels	Sister Cecily Foster Andrew Douglas	Leanne O'Shea Peter Gilroy Katrina Murphy	Life Teen Mass

### **COMMUNION MINISTERS**

28/29 Sept	Trish Hickey	Paulette Archer	Henry Weld	Life Teen Mass
5/6 Oct	Paulette Archer	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 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.*

29 Sept	No Children's Liturgy - School Holidays
6 Oct	No Children's Liturgy - School Holidays

### **ORGANISTS:**

28/29 Sept	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung		Life Teen Mass
5/6 Oct	Sr Marguerite	Mark Leung	Catrina McPherson	Life Teen Mass

### **SANCTUARY CARERS:**

5 Oct	Victor Podesta	Jane Lynn
12 Oct	Santina Catalano	Maria Fistrovic

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au)*

## Parish Calendar

### **October**

#### **Tuesday 1**

\* St Agatha's Youth Ministry Team Meeting Parish Office 7.00pm

#### **Sunday 13**

\* Young Parishioners Mass 9.00am

### **THE CATHOLIC LEADER**

#### **Copies On Sale - \$2.00**

In this week's issue:

- \* Catholic couple relieved family members escaped violence in Kenya
- \* Community unites in prayer for injured Amy Aquilini
- \* Siblings and their religious orders say goodbye to two Brisbane colleges
- \* Beaudesert school gutted by fire wins \$20,000 competition to help rebuild
- \* Pope Francis speaks out against the horror of abortion

**Readings - 6 October - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4; 2nd Reading 2 Timothy 1:6-8. 13-14; Gospel: Luke 17:5-9**