



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Mrs Rosemary Greer

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Mrs Jane Cameron

Parish Office Hours

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

Acting Principal: Mr Nick Fogarty

Outside School Hours Care Coordinator

Ms Maddison Marquis

**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 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19 January 2014

1st Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3;

Gospel: John 1:29-34



The ritual responses we make at mass were not chosen just to give us something to say. Many of them are lifted from different parts of the New Testament, the letters of St Paul or the gospels. In much the same way that our church buildings are teaching aids (take a tour through a church building and check the furnishings, the decorations, the statues, pictures and see what you learn about your faith) so too the words used in the liturgy deepen our knowledge of different parts of the scriptures and the characters encountered. This Sunday words used by St Paul in his letter to the Corinthians "May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace" have become one of the greetings used at the beginning of mass: "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." Next time you hear it, recall Paul writing a letter to the Corinthians.

Another phrase that comes straight from John the Baptist as recorded by St John in his gospel is "Lamb of God". At mass we hear and use it a number of times, principally as we prepare to receive our Lord in Holy Communion.

As the priest breaks the consecrated host we say or sing twice: "Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us" and then a third time we end by asking that the Lamb will give us peace.

A lamb is synonymous with helplessness that calls for protection. For the Jewish people as well it was the food eaten to recall annually their deliverance from slavery in Egypt at the celebration of the Passover.

Isaiah, the prophet, speaks often a servant of God who will suffer for the sake of the people, who like a lamb will go dumb before the one who will slaughter it.

The early church saw in the description of Isaiah's servant the person of Jesus himself who as he died on the cross did not scream about the unfairness of what was being done, but was silent apart from praying for his executioners, encouraging one who died with him and consoling his disciples entrusting his mother Mary to their care.

This non-violent surrender of his life opened the way for people to break the hold that sin always seeks to have on us. Jesus is the Lamb of God. We who are called to the supper he sets before us are called blessed: Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb. As we open the doors of our souls, Our Lord accepts our invitation to come inside and powerfully and gently changes our intellect and will, how we think and how we choose. Sin's hold over us is broken.

As we approach Holy Communion, the supper the Lamb himself presides at and in which he gives us himself, reflect deeply on how you are blessed to be doing this simple act. Return to your seat and thank the Lord for the gift of himself. As you leave the Church at the conclusion of mass (resist the temptation to leave immediately after receiving Holy Communion) commit yourself to take Our Lord to everyone you meet.

Fr Adrian Farrelly



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 the parish office on 3262 2859



ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 4 February
Parish Office - 7.00pm

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



Can you give 1 hour a week? We would like your help with Religious Education in State Schools in our area. There is plenty of support for the teachers and the program is pre-planned.

All you need to do is have the time, and commitment to lead, or to have teaching skills - just the confidence to speak in front of a class. If you would like more information please see Fr Adrian, or contact the Parish Office.

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



Alice Roland

who will be baptised this Sunday.

Australia Day

Next Sunday 26th January

**Morning tea will be provided following the
7.00am and 9.00am Masses.**

All welcome!

**Parishioners are asked to bring a plate to assist with catering.
Please write your name on the sheet provided on table in church foyer.**



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—2014

Confirmation and First Holy Communion

*For children in Grade 3 or older who have
celebrated their First Penance/Reconciliation*

ENROLMENT WEEKEND

15/16 February at any of the masses

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 7.00am, 9.00am & 5.30pm

**Please find Enrolment Forms on the table at
front entry to Church**

PARENT'S MEETING: St Agatha's Church
Tuesday, 18 February 7.00pm or
Wednesday, 19 February 7.00pm
**(N.B. Parents need only attend 1
of these sessions)**

For further information call Jane Cameron at the
parish office: 32622859

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Dear God
Did you
create
weather to
teach us to
cope with
uncertainty?
Amen

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Tom Southern, Rosaria Conte, Eunice King, John Tunney, Amarchi Nwaohiri, Monsignor Ralph Brown, Val Connolly, Fr Patrick McHugh, Angelina Barbagallo

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Ismael and Restituta Limas, Fr Francis O'Connell, Bishop John Rafferty, June Stafford, Patricia and Robert Ludwick, Henry and Bridget Patterson, Vida Meyer, Pat Craven, Eric O'Hagan, Verlie Just, Tom McCormack, Des Finn, James Ho, Craig Andrews, Grazia Russo, Gladys Stephensen, Margaret Henry, Stan McKenzie

Those who are sick:

Laura Vize, Tessa Jones, Ron Busby, Paul Gaynor, Jill Corrigan, Jonathan O'Brien, Maureen Williams, Phyllis Madden, Maureen Johnson, Simon Uren, Alison Doust, Raymond Johnson, Alan Lawrenson, Robert Mutton, Gladys Pacheco, Andrew McPherson, Moira Lye, Kate Turnbull, Margaret Hollingworth, Caitlin Yarde, Roberta Wright, Bishop Michael Putney, Anthony Nicholas, Kathleen Hickey, Lyn Allen, Fr Brian Taylor, Donna McGrane, Barbara Kozak, Anne Nimmo, Vincent O'Connell, Gregory Winch, Lyn Gavison, Dot McMaster, Mel Purwo, Patricia Evans, Pam Farr, Benedetta De Santi, Judy Freeman, Sue Hall, Johnathon Adams, Rosaria Tieppo

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 re minder to let us know when names are no longer required to be shown on the list.

Australian Christian Meditation Community Queensland

Invites you to join them for a day of
SILENCE, STILLNESS & SIMPLICITY

With Kathryn Houston

When: Saturday 8 February 2014, 9.30am – 2.15pm. Morning tea will be served at 9.30am. BYO Lunch.
Where: Holy Spirit School Hall, 36 Villiers Street (off Brunswick St), New Farm.
Suggested Donation: \$10 (morning tea included)
Material Available: Books, CD's and DVD's available for sale during the day.
For any queries contact: Gabby Nelson. Email: toga@bigpond.net.au, Phone (home) 3711 4227 (mobile) 0488 592 770
OR Jeanette Jones jeanette043@optusnet.com.au Phone (home) 38240550 (mobile) 0409 067 917

Australian Christian Meditation Community Queensland

Brisbane Young Christian Meditators

Invites you to a Weekend Retreat

"A Long Loving Look" Led by Linda Chapman

The retreat explores the relationship between meditation and the natural world and the healing role meditation plays in the spiritual and ecological crisis of today.

WHEN: Saturday 14 March – Sunday 15 March 2014. 9am Sat. to 3pm Sun.
WHERE: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington Street, Ormiston.
COST: \$185.00
AGE: 20s, 30s, 40s.
BOOKINGS: Adam Finucane. Mob 0419 798 285 & **CONTACT:** email: adam.finucane@gmail.com

Lourdes Hill College Past Pupils Association

Lourdes Day Mass and Annual General Meeting

Venue: Good Samaritan Centre ~ Lourdes Hill College
Date: Sunday 9 February 2014
Time: 2pm (Afternoon tea to follow meeting)
Enquiries:
Loreto Lotz 0412769708 or email rlclvlotz@gmail.com
Marilyn Loth 0422854737 or email marilynloth@hotmail.com

If you would like to contribute any used stamps
please leave them at the Piety Stall or
Parish Office.

MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE 50 YEARS CELEBRATIONS

Wednesday 19 March 2014

Celebrating 50 years of Josephite Education at a Mass at Corpus Christi Church

Friday 8 August 2014

Retro Glam Party 50th Reunion for MtStJ-CCC-MMC Past Students

Saturday 9 August 2014

Year Level Brunch Option

Sunday 10 August 2014

50th Anniversary Celebratory Eucharist and Commemorative Event.

For more information contact

Mary MacKillop College on 32662100

PARISH ROSTERS

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

	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
<u>READERS</u>				
18/19 Jan	Marian Nolan Rachelle Brown	Mary Kelaheer Aleira Egan	Tanya Mulcahy Katrina Murphy Wilma O'Connell	Life Teen Mass
25/26 Jan	Eric van der List Phil Zammit	Kirsty Stevens Anne-Marie Quinn	Peter Ryan Trish Ryan Patricia Sutcliffe	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

18/19 Jan	Marie Ho	Paulette Archer		Life Teen Mass
25/26 Jan	Jan Zammit		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 - Resumes in February

ORGANISTS:

18/19 Jan	Sr Marguerite	Mark Leung	Eithne Stafford	Life Teen Mass
25/26 Jan	Robyn Cuming		Mark Sayers	Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

1 Feb	Victor Podesta	Jane Lynn
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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

JANUARY

Monday 20

- * SVDP 5pm Parish Office

Tuesday 21

- * Finance Meeting 7pm Parish Office

Thursday 23

- * Liturgy 5pm Parish Office

Thursday 23

- * RCIA 7pm Parish Office

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In this week's issue:

- * Bishop Putney talks of living with cancer and trusting in God's care.
- * Priest who Pope invited onto pope mobile says all are called to hop on board with Holy Father.
- * Vinnies hit by vandalism and dumping of rubbish.
- * Vatican hosts meeting to promote cease-fire and peace in Syria.

Readings - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 26 January 2014

1st Reading: Isaiah 8:23-9:3; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17; Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23