



# ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD

**Priest in Residence:**

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**Parish Secretary**

Mrs Rosemary Greer

**Administrative Assistant**

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 **APRE:** Mr Nick Fogarty

**Outside School Hours Care Coordinator**

Ms Harmony Domaille

**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 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16 February 2014**

**1st Reading: Sirach 15:15-20; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10;**

**Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37**



## WHERE TO HUMANITY?

Archaeological discoveries have revealed human beings different from ourselves. They have been given names such as Cro-Magnon and Neanderthal. At times they have been called cave men because of drawings and paintings found on cave walls where they lived. Those who study these things refer to modern humanity as homo sapiens highlighting our ability to reason. In these studies homo sapiens is seen as higher up the tree of human development than the others.

If there has been this development, a reasonable question is where to from here? For those who enjoyed the X-men film series they are acquainted with homo superior which is what the mutant humans fighting non-mutant humans called those without the extraordinary powers the mutants possessed. Other fiction writers have described developments where humans could be transformed so they could fly like birds or swim in the oceans like fish having been given wings or gills.

These stories are works of fiction which may or may not come to pass. What we have right under our noses and fail to see is the person of Jesus. He is the first of many brothers and sisters. He is what humanity is growing to be. Appearing at a particular moment in history he comes to us as the destination of human development. He is what a perfect human being looks like. He is the full flowering of humanity.

What then do we need to do to ensure this development? In the writings we hold as sacred are the directions to guide us. St Matthew portrays Jesus as a new Moses who came down from the mountain with the words God spoke for the development of the people God called My people. Those words we know as the ten commandments. The words Jesus spoke in what we call the sermon on the mount are the eight beatitudes. Each beatitude starts that those who allow themselves to be transformed in the way described are "blessed" or "happy". To be poor in spirit, meek, pure of heart, justice seeking and the like are the flowering of the new humanity. And they are not just for consumption and use by believers but are for the whole race in its quest for happiness and fulfilment.

Go home and read the whole sermon with the thought in mind: this is what I am to become. This is what the whole race will become in the fullness of time.

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 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

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

## AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE

The Summer 2014 edition of *Australian Catholics Magazine* is now available. Please take a copy home today.



This year St Agatha's Parish is hosting the  
**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**  
**FRIDAY 7 MARCH 2014**

**10.30am**

The theme for the  
World Day of Prayer 2014  
is

**"STREAMS IN THE DESERT"**

**All welcome**

Morning tea is provided after the Prayer Service

## LITTLE BLACK BOOK NOW AVAILABLE AT THE PIETY STALL - \$4.00 each

Six minute meditations on the Passion  
according to Matthew.

This is a great little book - providing a spiritual lift in  
the form of a daily reflection during Lent.

## PREP 2015

If you have a child born between 1/7/09 – 30/6/10, they are eligible to commence Prep in 2015.  
If you have not already let us know details of your child, please email the Enrolment Secretary on  
[wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au)

with your name and address, your child's name and date of birth.

Application forms have been sent out.

**Applications close for Prep 2015 on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2014,**  
interviews usually take place in April/May, and placements offered in June.

## **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—2014** **Confirmation and First Holy Communion**

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

**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

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

Miller Austin  
Luca Strauss  
Isabel McGovern  
Angus Mawdsley  
Amelia Face  
Natarsha Face  
Austyn Face

**who will be baptised this Sunday.**



The Christian Leadership  
Training for Young People  
will be held at the  
James Byrne Centre

Toowoomba on 7-11 April 2014.

A dynamic week that inspires, transforms and  
challenges young people (16-19 years old) to be  
the best leader they can be.

For more information phone 3109 6800 or  
[www.moversandshakers.org.au](http://www.moversandshakers.org.au)



The next Brisbane **40 Days for Life** campaign will take  
place from March 5 - April 13 this year. The centrepiece  
of this campaign is a 24 hour prayer vigil outside the  
abortion clinic at Bowen Hills over the 40 days.  
For more information please see website:  
[www.40daysforlife.com/brisbane](http://www.40daysforlife.com/brisbane).

## *In our prayers we remember*

### *Those who have died recently:*

Barbara Cottee, John Marr, Phyllis Sullivan, Brian Grace, Mervyn McKeown, Patrick Rebgetz, Arthur Moody, Michael Furlong, Frances Norberg, June McLachlan, Neville Brennan

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

Richard and Elizabeth Howard, Pat Lynch, Sholto and Mary Douglas, Rita Johnson, Angus Burke

### *Those who are sick:*

Kath Delahunty, Kylie Taylor, Laura Vize, Tessa Jones, Ron Busby, Paul Gaynor, Jill Corrigan, Jonathan O'Brien, Phyllis Madden, Maureen Johnson, Simon Uren, Alison Doust, Raymond Johnson, Alan Lawrenson, Robert Mutton, Gladys Pacheco, Bishop Michael Putney, 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 reminder to let us know when names are no longer required to be shown on the list.**



Do you have some time available and would like to put your faith into action? Catholic Mission has a need for volunteers, to help with its wide range of mission-oriented activities. Drop us a line at [asiatav@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:asiatav@bne.catholic.net.au), leave us a comment on our Facebook page (search for Catholic Mission – Brisbane) or call us on (07) 3336 9239, during office hours, to find out more.

### **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](mailto:adam.finucane@gmail.com)



## **St Joseph's College Gregory Terrace OPEN DAY**

**FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2014**

**4 - 7pm**

**Campus tours  
available from  
College Hall at  
Rogers Street entrance**

**Food and drinks available**

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

### **CATHEDRAL CONCERT SERIES CONCERT #1 FOR 2014**

**Concert Title:** Music for Her Majesty's Pleasure - Australian Baroque Brass

**Date:** Sunday 30 March 2014

**Time:** 4.00pm **Venue:** Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane

**Cost:** Adult \$25, Concession \$20 Tickets are available online (<http://www.ststephensmusic.com/>) or at the door.



### **LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS (5 March - 20 April)**

**“You Have Set Us Free”** is the title of this year's Lenten program. The groups will meet once a week on a day and time to be decided. Please complete and hand in the tear off slip indicating your interest. With that information gathered we shall organise days and times. Each meeting runs for 80 minutes.



I am interested in the Lenten program:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Preferred: \_\_\_\_\_

Time Preferred: \_\_\_\_\_



## 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>				
15/16 Feb	Anne Goves Ryan Smethurst	Jeanine Bygott Anne-Marie Quinn	Peter Gilroy Leanne O'Shea Denis Keating	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Feb	Rachelle Brown Marie Ho	Nick Eden Dianne Eden	Rachel Langdon Don Macpherson Angela McFarlane	Life Teen Mass
<b><u>COMMUNION MINISTERS</u></b>				
15/16 Feb	Eddie Foley	Blue Doyle	Peter Ryan	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Feb	Anne Goves	Volunteer	Henry Weld	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.*

16 Feb	Jane Arkinstall (L)	Bhakti Doolabh
23 Feb	Eleonora Kowitz (L)	Julie McMahon

### **ORGANISTS:**

15/16 Feb	Eithne Stafford	Volunteer	Robyn Cuming	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Feb	Sr Marguerite	Volunteer	Volunteer	Life Teen Mass

### **SANCTUARY CARERS:**

1 Mar	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 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

### **FEBRUARY**

#### **Monday 17**

\* SVDP 5pm Parish Office

#### **Tuesday 18 & Wednesday 19**

\* Parents Information Night  
Confirmation 7pm

#### **Thursday 20**

\* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

### **THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00**

In this week's issue:

- \* Brisbane family urges other Catholics to attend Rally For Life.
- \* Wave of support for Catholic Religious Australia's criticism of asylum-seeker policies..
- \* Catholic Mission to host forum on the impact of Pope Francis.
- \* Family group warns about resumption of battle over definition of marriage
- \* Holy Spirit Provincial Seminary welcomes three new seminarians.
- \* Indian order of priests set to open Brisbane house.

**Readings - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23 February 2014**

**1st Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48**