



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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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 - Second Sunday of Lent - 16 March 2014

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4; 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9



FACE LIFTING

No, I am not writing about the work of reconstructive surgeons who reshape people's faces. At times men and women have recourse to these skilled practioners to repair facial damage after an accident or illness. At other times they will use their skills to respond to the desires of their patients to look younger without the wrinkles or flesh sagging that inevitably comes with ageing. I want my face lifted!

In the gospel we listened to today the face of Jesus changes in the presence of his friends, Peter, James and John. The setting is not a modern operating theatre. Jesus has asked his friends to come with him up a mountain. The three are confused and sad. Jesus has made it clear that the course he and they are on will not have a happy ending. He is heading for a show-down with the authorities and he is going to suffer. Peter in particular has had what can only be described as roller coaster ride. He has recognised

that Jesus is the one Chosen by God to bring something remarkably new into world affairs. Jesus has called him the rock, the foundation stone of the enterprise that will continue the work of Jesus after He has gone. In almost the next breath, Jesus has tongue-lashed his friend over his suggestion that suffering can have no part in the work and mission of God's chosen one. Jesus called him Satan and in the way we would talk to a dog told him to get behind him. So the scene is set for the trek up the mountain.

Jesus is talking with them and while they talk Moses, the deliverer and law giver appears along with Elijah the prophet of the end time and they all talk. The face of Jesus changes. It is transfigured, face changed is the meaning of the word. Transform, change shape. Transfigure, change face. The topic spoken about is the brewing confrontation that awaits Jesus in Jerusalem. Peter is delighted and wants to capture the moment with memorial buildings. The words are barely out of his mouth when a bright cloud overshadows them all and God's joy in Jesus finds voice: This is my Son, the beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.

Jesus last heard the Father's voice at this baptism when he began fulfilling the father's will with his mission of preaching and healing. As he listens now, he draws strength from the affirmation.

What the Father said to Jesus he says to us. You are my Beloved. You enjoy my favour. As you hear it tell your face and let it transfigure so that others know something great is afoot. There is news that is good which we share with others and as we do see the change in their faces.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

CHANGE TO SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

From 6 April we shall return to having two collections at Sunday Mass - the one for the support of the "parish" at the time of the offerings processing (the collection will come with the bread and wine) and one "the presbytery offering" principally for the support of our priests. This collection will be after communion. I ask everyone, even those supporting by direct debit or credit card to put an envelope on the plate so our young parishioners see us giving of our "treasure". In the envelope pack you will find a new commitment sheet to complete. **Please collect your planned giving envelopes today.**

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



FAITH ON TAP

encourages young adults 18-35 yrs to be active in their faith and create a vibrant and rich Catholic Culture - to provide something different! They meet on the second Monday of each month at the Pineapple Hotel, 706 Main St., Kangaroo Point See <https://www.facebook.com/FaithOnTap>

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.

LENTEN PROGRAM

"You Have Set Us Free"

is the title of this year's Lenten Program. The Lenten discussion group will meet on Monday 17 March 7pm at the Parish Office. If you are interested in taking part, please call the Parish Office.

YOUNG MEN - HAVE YOU ASKED THE QUESTION? IS GOD CALLING ME?

The Archbishop of Brisbane is extending an invitation to young men who may be discerning a priestly vocation, to join him for an evening meal and discussion at Wynberg. The meal will be held at 790 Brunswick Street, New Farm, on Thursday 3 April commencing at 6.00pm. If you are or know a young man over 18 seriously considering their "CALL", please leave contact details at the Parish Office.

ROSTERS FOR EASTER



Are you available to be on roster at any of the Easter Masses? Please fill in the sheets on the clipboard at the back of the church.

ST AGATHA'S PARISH COOKBOOK

We are on the hunt for the best recipes from our parishioners, and there is really only one rule: It has to be delicious! If you have got a favourite (whether it's an original that you dreamed up on your own, a family favourite handed down from an aunt or a grandma, or one you have picked up over the years), we would love for you to share it with us. These recipes will be combined into a Parish Cookbook, which will be published this year. If you would like to submit recipes, you can do so by either through the web site page or on a hard copy. The Cookbook Recipe Entry sheets are available on the table at the back of the church. The web site link has been created and can be found at: <http://clayfieldparish.org.au/cookbook/>, or by going to the St Agatha's web site and selecting News/Events and then Events and then Cookbook, from the main menu.

SUNDAY SEMINARIANS

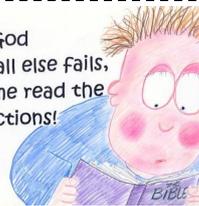
This weekend at the 9.00am Mass we welcome our Sunday Seminarians:
Thomas Duncan, Callistus Ezedinma, Adalbert Imperial and John Ifeanyichukwu Obalum.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

will be held in the Church every
Friday at 8.30am during Lent.



Dear God
When all else fails,
make me read the
instructions!
Amen



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

JANUARY OFFERTORY GIVING

Committed: \$17,605.00

Loose: \$1,372.55

FEBRUARY OFFERTORY GIVING

Committed: \$18,019.50

Loose: \$2,229.10

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

PROJECT COMPASSION



Donations to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion make a real difference to communities in need.

**Please take home a Project
Compassion box and/or a set of**

Lenten envelopes and give generously to the appeal during Lent. Envelopes and boxes available from either pews or table in main church entry. Your donations allow Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to alleviate poverty and bring hope and justice to disadvantaged communities throughout the world.

* ORGANISTS NEEDED *

If you play the piano or organ, and are interested in playing at weekend masses please contact the parish office 3262 2859.

CHOIR PRACTICE for EASTER

Thursday 20 March
7.00pm - 8.00pm
in the Church
New members welcome.

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Mary Duffy, Fred Brandt, Marie Merrick

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Frank Farrelly, Richard and Elizabeth Howard, Ivy Adams, Ivan Harrison, Carmelo Fiumara

Those who are sick:

Rob Bruce, Mel Purwo, 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.

Holy Land Tour 2014 - 17 Days from Monday 8 September to Wednesday 24 September

You are invited to join a remarkable journey through Israel, Jordan and Rome following in the footsteps of Christ, the Apostles and the early Christians. The tour is fully escorted by Fr Michael McCarthy, Parish Priest of Our Lady Help of Christians Parish. The pilgrimage will take you to the most significant places of faith including Netanya, Bethlehem, Petra, Amman, Nazareth and Jerusalem and provide unforgettable experiences of the Holy Land concluding with a visit to the Vatican in Rome. For further information please contact Fr Michael on 3268 3040 or Canale Travel Service Pty Ltd on 3357 6444. Brochures are available on the table at the back of the church.

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.



THE IONA PASSION PLAY

Burpengary - St Eugene College Hall, (Indoors) - Sunday 6 April at 7pm

Tickets: Adults \$18; Seniors/Students \$15; children (u15) \$5

Earlybird Discounts: (Book by 5pm April 2) Adults \$15; Senior/Students \$12

Group Discount (10 or more people) \$10/person.

Wynnum West - Iona College (Outdoors) - Good Friday April 18 and Saturday April 19 at 7.30pm.

Tickets: Adults \$18; Seniors/Students \$15; Children (6-14yrs) \$5; Children (5 & under) Free.

Earlybird Discounts: (Book by 5pm April 16) Adults/Seniors/Students \$12

Group Discount (10 or more people) \$10/person.

Note: outdoor performances - bring a chair or rug to sit on.

Bookings: 3333 1993 or online at www.passionplay.org.au

IGNITE LAUNCH - A DAY AT MOVIE WORLD

Saturday 3 May

All young people are invited to the newest Catholic youth event in Brisbane - a day of Movie World rides and attractions followed by dance party and concert after the park closes.

Cost is \$90 - same as normal day entry, but includes dinner and night event. Families and adults also welcome.

Full details and registration at www.igniteyouth.com/launch or contact Scotty McDonald on 3217 5199.



COULD THIS BE YOUR MINISTRY?

The Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Team need mature committed Catholics with an ability to relate pastorally to those who are suffering a mental illness. The training course is held at the Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Centre each Wednesday from 7 May to 26 November from 9.00am to 3.30pm. We require a voluntary commitment of eight hours per week on completion of the Course in the various ministries e.g. Day Centre, Hospitals and Hostels.

Final date of applications is Friday 25 April

Please apply now in writing to: Fr Jim Smith, Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care, 58 Morgan Street, Fortitude Valley QLD 4006, Telephone (07) 3252 5461 Mon-Fri 8.30am-4pm, Fax (07) 3257 1885 or email cppc@bne.catholic.net.au

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>				
15/16 Mar	Marian Nolan Marie Ho	Aleira Egan Mary Kelaher	Heidi Cooper Jill Weld Jane Arkinstall	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Mar	Eric van der List Phil Zammit	Anne-Marie Quinn Kirsty Stevens	Tim Hancock Michael Crutcher Eileen Duncan	Life Teen Mass
<u>COMMUNION MINISTERS</u>				
15/16 Mar	Marie Ho	Blue Doyle	Henry Weld	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Mar	Jan Zammit	Paulette Archer	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.

16 Mar	Lina Alzate	Katrina Murphy
23 Mar	Sam Psaros (L)	Anna Coronis

ORGANISTS:

15/16 Mar	Catriona McPherson	Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Mar	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung	Mark Sayers	Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

29 Mar Santina Catalano

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

MARCH

Monday 17

* SVDP 5pm Parish Office

Wednesday 19

* Liturgy Meeting 5pm Parish Office

Thursday 20

* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

* Choir Practice 7pm Church

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue:

- * Brisbane joins world prayer for Egypt.
- * Pro-life activists encountering varied responses from opponents.
- * Can watching certain movies together and discussing them help prepare couples for marriage?
- * Fr Michael McCarthy speaks about his appointment as Bishop of Rockhampton.
- * Homeless man finds home in Catholic Church.

Readings - Third Sunday of Lent - 23 March 2014

1st Reading: Exodus 17:3-7; 2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; Gospel: John 4:5-16, 19-26, 39-42