

Parish Secretary

Administrative Assistant

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 PrincipalMrs Carol SayersAPRE: Mr Nick FogartyOutside School Hours Care CoordinatorMs 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 - First Sunday of Lent - 9 March 2014

1st Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; 2nd Reading: 1Romans 5:12, 17-19;

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11



WILDERNESS TREK

The Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness. The Spirit of love by whom Jesus was conceived in Mary's womb now leads him away from what is familiar and domesticated into what is strange and wild.

For close on six weeks Jesus made do with his unfamiliar surroundings. What did he do during the day? When we venture into wilderness areas we go for the experience of "roughing it" and for those skilled in bush craft living off the land. Usually we have a departure point and a destination and a rough idea of the way we shall go. If we strike trouble we have the assurance we can call for help on our mobiles.

Jesus did not venture into the wilderness out of a desire for adventure of some kind, nor did he go alone. The Spirit who is the source of all wisdom led him there for a purpose and did not abandon him once he was in the wilderness.

The Spirit wanted him to come face to face with the mission he was born for - he was to save, liberate his people. The name Jesus means the one who saves.

At the end of the six weeks the tempter offers three ways of liberating, saving, his people: feed their hungers, attract them to follow by spectacular stunts, rule them by power in alliance with the enemy of the human family.

Each proposition Jesus bats away deciding to commit himself to doing His Father's will. Decision made, Jesus himself is attended to not by SES rescue teams, but the angels who live always in God's presence. They will come again when he faces other decisions in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Over these six weeks we can venture off our familiar beaten tracks into our own wilderness to learn how to rely better on the care of the Spirit.

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. Envelopes will be available next weekend.

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 fover. 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



FAITH ON TAP

encourages young adults 18-35 yrs to be active in their faith. Held on the second Monday of each month at the Pineapple Hotel, 706 Main St., Kangaroo Point this Monday 10 March features Fr Jose Thekkemurivil, inspiring chaplain to Australian Catholic University.

See https://www.facebook.com/FaithOnTap

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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



LENTEN PROGRAM

"You Have Set Us Free"

is the title of this year's Lenten Program. The Lenten discussion group will meet on Monday 10 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.

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



Georgia Appleby Juliette Zuino Donncadh O'Brien

who will be baptised this Sunday.

RITE OF ELECTION

This Sunday afternoon, March 9, around 100 people who are preparing for full initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter ceremonies (including Samantha Belyea from this parish) will gather with their godparents, catechists and families at the Cathedral of St Stephen for the Rite of Election. At this ritual, the Church acknowledges the readiness of the catechumens for the sacraments of initiation and the catechumens, who now become 'the elect', declare their commitment to enter into a period of intense spiritual preparation for initiation at Easter. Our thoughts and prayers are with them during this special time in their journey of faith.

ST AGATHA'S SCHOOL - PREP 2015

Children born between 1/7/2009 – 30/6/2010, are eligible to commence Prep at St Agatha's School in 2015. If you wish to complete an Application for Enrolment, please contact the Enrolment Secretary on

wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au

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

Applications close for Prep 2015 on 14th March 2014.

Interviews usually take place in April/May, followed by offers for Prep placements in June.

ALTAR SERVING **TRAINING**

Any children who have made their First Communion and are interested in Altar Serving, Fr Adrian will be conducting an Altar Serving Training on Wednesday 12 March at 3.30pm. If your child is interested, please contact the parish office 3262 2859.

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

* 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

will commence on Thursday 13 March 6.00pm - 7.00pm in the Church New members welcome.



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.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Fred Brandt, Marie Merrick, Terry Evans, Bruce Ward

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Ivv Adams, Ivan Harrison, Carmelo Fiumara, Keith and Marie Kelly, Jack Bowden

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, i 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 Eugeue 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.

email: mtcarmel@bne.catholic.net.au

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

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

A LOVE THAT SATISFIES

An Immersion into Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body 14 - 16 March 2014 / The Lavalla Centre, 58 Fernberg Road, Paddington

Pope John Paul II's "Theology of the Body" has been described as perhaps the most important Christian teaching in the last century. The weekend will be a series of lectures and workshops that will lead you deeply into the heart of this teaching and will reveal how it can change your life. The weekend will be presented by Dr Adam Cooper PHD, STD. For more information full pricing details and to register visit: www.realtalkaustralia.com and click on "additional offerings" or contact admin@realtalkaustralia.com or Paul 0417 148 164. Few leaflets available on the table in church foyer.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Coorparoo invites applications for the part-time position of **Parish Secretary**

(28 hours per week: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays)

The successful applicant will: * Be a committed member of the Catholic Church * Need to have experienced working within an office situation * Have highly developed interpersonal, organisational, computer and communication skills, and ability to work as a member of a Team. Specific responsibilities include: The day-to-day running of the parish office including reception and general office responsibilities, database entry, typing, photocopying, filing. Commencement date is Tuesday 1 April 2014. Applications close on Friday 14 March 2014. Full position description is available from: The Parish Priest, Mount Carmel Parish, 312 Cavendish Road, Coorparoo, 4151. Phone: 3397 1587 or



PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm 7.00am 9.00am 5.30pm

READERS

8/9 Mar Eddie Foley Andrew Douglas St Agatha's P27 Mass Life Teen Mass

Jack Williamson Sister Cecily Foster

15/16 Mar Marian Nolan Aleira Egan Heidi Cooper Life Teen Mass

Marie Ho Mary Kelaher Jill Weld

Jane Arkinstall

COMMUNION MINISTERS

8/9 Mar Trish Hickey Paulette Archer *Volunteer* Life Teen Mass 15/16 Mar Marie Ho Blue Doyle 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.

9 Mar St Agatha's P27 Mass - No Children's Liturgy 16 Mar Lina Alzate Katrina Murphy

ORGANISTS:

8/9 Mar Eithne Stafford Mark Leung Robyn Cuming/Paul Fiumara Life Teen Mass 15/16 Mar Catriona McPherson Mark Leung Robyn Cuming Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

15 Mar Beverley O'Brien 29 Mar Santina Catalano

<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

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.



<u>For bookings</u> and further information, please phone the parish office on 3262 2859.

Gare 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

Tuesday 11

* Finance Meeting 6.30pm Parish Office

Wednesday 12

- * Altar Serving Training 3.30pm Church
- * Parish Council 7pm Parish Office

Thursday 13

* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

Monday 17

* SVDP 5pm Parish Office

Wednesday 19

* Liturgy Meeting 5pm Parish Office

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue:

- * Celebrating 'a year with Pope Francis'.
- * Religious lead a National Lament for Australia's treatment of asylum seekers.

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