



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Administrator

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Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD

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Mrs Jane Cameron

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

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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 - Fifth Sunday of Lent - 6 April 2014

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14; 2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11;

Gospel: John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45



UNBIND HIM, LET HIM GO FREE

These are the instructions Jesus gave the family and friends of Lazarus as Lazarus emerged alive from the tomb in which they had put him four days earlier. The burial customs of the day saw the corpse being wrapped in cloths or a shroud. Lazarus is alive again but until the wrappings are removed he cannot move around easily. He needs help from family and friends to embrace this second chance at living.

Nothing is said about the illness that caused his death. We presume that with his return to life he was freed by God from that. But he still needed help to return fully to where he was before falling ill. We know from other parts of the gospel that he too became a target for hostilities by those who saw Jesus as a dangerous threat.

Remember the abuse heaped on the cured blind man last week. Regardless of what his opponents wanted the people to believe, the people could see the goodness of God at work in sight being given and amazingly with life being restored.

What Jesus did then He still does now. He quenches thirst for acceptance, love and understanding. He gives sight so that the world comes into focus as a gift from the creative will of God. He brings those killed by the illnesses of pathological busyness, mean-spirited neglect and indifference to a second chance at living. These realities sap so many people of life. They feel like they are dead and in the grave. As they surrender their lives to Christ as Lord and Saviour, they come alive in ways they never dreamed possible.

We celebrate the healing sacrament of reconciliation this Tuesday night at 7pm. Make this a moment when you are set free from the death rags that make it difficult for you to move freely and easily. Then set free we can move on to celebrate joyfully the Resurrection of Jesus which is not like Lazarus a return to the life we had, but the entrance to another way of experiencing life altogether. Like the Risen Christ the hindrances of this life are done away with and like him we move to an altogether new way of life. Fr Adrian Farrelly

Two collections return this weekend Our parish lives as stewards of the goodness given us by God: our time, our treasure, our talent. From today there will be two collections at each mass. The first for the support of the parish at the offertory. The second for the support of the presbytery after communion. For those who have to leave before the end of mass I have asked the collectors to stand at the doors so those leaving don't miss the opportunity to give their support. I ask those who support via direct debit and credit card to use their envelopes if they have them (tick the spot which indicates you give by direct debit) so the children see us putting something on the plate. Those without envelopes please place one of the plasticised offering cards at the front door on the plate for the same reason.

CHURCH RENOVATION BEGINS

Stage 1 of the renovation of the church begins on Monday April 7. For weekday masses please enter the church by the side doors as the first stage is the renewal of the entrance. Safety fencing will be in place.

SECOND RITE RECONCILIATION

TUESDAY 8 APRIL AT 7.00PM

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.



EASTER RAFFLE

\$2.00 a ticket
or 3 tickets for \$5.00
Drawn Easter Sunday



OLIVE BRANCHES

Olive branches are required for Palm Sunday. If you are able to supply any, please deliver to the back of the Church, outside the back door this Friday 11 April.



STANDARD LAMPS

We are looking for free standing lamps/lights for the Easter Vigil Mass. If you have any that we can use, please drop them off to the Church in the Sacred Heart Chapel from Monday 14 April to Thursday 17 April. Please tag them with your name. They can be collected after the Easter Vigil, 7am or 9am Masses. Alternatively they can be collected Tuesday 22 April from the Church.



ROSTERS FOR EASTER



We are still in need of Readers, Communion Ministers and Oil Carriers for the Easter Masses. Please see the clip boards 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.

HOLY WEEK MASS & CELEBRATION TIMES (14 April - 21 April)

April 14	Monday	6.30am Mass
April 16	Wednesday	9.00am Mass
April 17	Holy Thursday:	7.00pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper
April 18	Good Friday:	10.00am - Stations of the Cross 3.00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
April 19	Holy Saturday:	7.00pm - Easter Vigil
April 20	Easter Sunday:	7.00am and 9.00am - Mass
Please Note: NO 5.30 pm Mass		
April 21	Easter Monday:	6.30am Mass

A variety of Easter Cards are available for sale at the Piety Stall.



I would just like to thank all those who sponsored me last weekend! If anyone is still interested in learning more about Freedom Ministries, being a prayer sponsor, a financial donor or getting emailed monthly updates of the mission, please email me amanda@freedomcmc.com.
God bless!
Amanda Halbach

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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



CHOIR PRACTICE for EASTER

Thursday 10 April
7.00pm - 8.00pm
in the Church
New members welcome.

LITTLE WHITE BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE PIETY STALL NEXT WEEKEND - \$4.00 each

EVANGELII GAUDIUM The Joy of the Gospel (Pope Francis)

Apostolic Exhortation on the Proclamation of the Gospel in today's world. Book now available at the Piety Stall - \$10.00 each

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Oscar Bickley, Brian Byrne, Brian Connolly, Bishop Michael Putney, Fr Jim O'Brien, Robin Gibson, Narena Lawson, John O'Regan, Lannah Sweeney, Humphry Cramond, Warwick Parer

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Zanda McDonald, Judy Power, Joan Fitz-Herbert, Edith Farrelly, Margaret Fudge, Hilda McCluskey

Those who are sick:

Marie King, Eileen Clarke, Sandra McGregor, 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, 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.

FEAST IN HONOUR OF THE MARTYRED THREE SAINTS - ALFIO, FILADELFO and CIRINO

Holy Cross Church, Woolloowin / Sunday 4 May 2014 / 9:30am Holy Rosary / 10:00am Solemn Mass
12:00pm Food stalls and entertainment / 2:00pm Exit of the Saints and street procession /
3:30pm Entertainment continues

FOUNDATION FOR EVANGELISING MINISTRY

You are invited to find out more about the new certificate course "Foundation for Evangelising Ministry". This course will benefit those who would like to gain skills for ministry in parish life. Presenters from the course will be visiting our local area for an Information Night on Tuesday April 15 at 7 - 8.30 pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre, 30 Eldorado St, Bracken Ridge. For more information www.ife.qld.edu.au

ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

invites you to the annual

CHRISM MASS

Thursday 10 April 2014 at 7.30pm

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

A celebration for the entire Archdiocese

ALL WELCOME

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

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL BRISBANE

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER / PRAISE AND WORSHIP RALLY AND LAUNCH OF HEALING PRAYER CENTRE

Saturday 12 April 2014

CCR Brisbane Centre, Cnr of Fraser and Nudgee Roads, Northgate

Presider: Bishop Joseph Oudeman OFM Cap, Liaison Bishop for CCR Brisbane

Enquiries: Miriam ph: 3202 6856 or email: secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.au

Programme: 10am Praise and Worship Rally followed by Launch of Healing Prayer Centre including a special liturgy of commissioning of Prayer Ministers / Partners and blessing of the Centre

12pm Lunch - please bring a plate to share



Your support for Project Compassion helps Caritas Australia work towards the creation of a world that God desires to be just and compassionate.

Far from home for dialysis treatment, Aboriginal woman Lorraine is reconnecting with her culture and community through an income-generating bush balm program. This gives her sense of purpose, comfort and wellbeing.

Please donate to Project Compassion today. Your support ensures that together we are walking alongside Indigenous Peoples in Australia and around the world.



PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS

5/6 Apr

Graham Gibson
Julie-Anne Gibson

Chanelle White
Diane Williamson

Angela McFarlane
Rachel Langdon
Don Macpherson

Life Teen Mass

12/13 Apr

AS PER THE PASSION / PALM SUNDAY ROSTER

Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

5/6 Apr

Anne Goves

Diane Williamson

Peter Ryan

Life Teen Mass

12/13 Apr

Eddie Foley

Blue Doyle

Henry Weld

Life Teen Mas

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.

6 Apr

No Children's Liturgy

School Holidays

13 Apr

No Children's Liturgy

School Holidays

ORGANISTS:

5/6 Apr

Catriona McPherson

Mark Leung

Robyn Cuming

Life Teen Mass

12/13 Apr

Robyn Cuming

Mark Leung

Catriona McPherson

Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

12 Apr

Santina Catalano

Maria Fistrovic

19 Apr

Beverley O'Brien

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

APRIL

Tuesday 8

2nd Rite Reconciliation 7pm

Thursday 10

* Easter Choir Practice 7pm
Church

Friday 11

* Stations of the Cross 8.30am
Church

Tuesday 15

* Finance Meeting 6pm Parish
Office

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue:

- * Fitting tribute to devoted Brisbane pastor Fr James O'Brien.
- * Conference to help bring parents of school children closer to the Church.
- * Brisbane Catholics urged to be courageous and go to confession.
- * Talking point: Fr Joe Duffy on Bishop Michael Putney's faith and legacy.

Readings - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - 13 April 2014

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7; 2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11;

Gospel: Matthew 27:11-54