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# **ST AGATHA'S PARISH**

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Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD Rev Fr Francis Canh Nguyen Mrs Rosemary Greer 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 **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 - 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



**RENOVATING BUILDINGS: BRICKS AND FLESH AND BLOOD** Since last Sunday, scaffolding has encased the front wall of the Church and the covered entrance. With this in place the renovation work begins.

The first stage will see the entrance roof repaired, brick work repainted and cleaned. The fig trees growing in the roof will go! Later in stage one, the roofs of the two side chapels will be replaced.

We have the money for this. For further planned work, I still need more donations. If you have not weighed in yet, I ask you to look at your resources and decide how much you can

give. Remember all donations are 100% tax deductible.

This work is about our Church building which in all likelihood has not been touched since 1928 when the building was erected. At Easter time the building renovation can act as a reminder to our personal renovation or as we usually say, our renewal.

Listen to Pope Francis in *Evangelii gaudium* and see what response you will make to his invitation:

3. I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since "no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord".[1] The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms. Now is the time to say to Jesus: "Lord, I have let myself be deceived; in a thousand ways I have shunned your love, yet here I am once more, to renew my covenant with you. I need you. Save me once again, Lord, take me once more into your redeeming embrace".

Whatever response you make at least commit yourself to saying the prayer included in the invitation each day this week. It is Holy Week (even if you are enjoying some holiday time) so be holy. You will be surprised at what the recitation of this little prayer will do the renewal of the building which you are.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

### **ROSTERS FOR EASTER**

Thank you to everyone who have put there name down to be part of the Easter masses. We are still in need of Altar Servers, Oil Carriers and an Oil Announcer for Holy Thursday 7.00pm. Please see the clip board at the back of the church.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY 18 APRIL. IT WILL **REOPEN TUESDAY 22 APRIL.** THE OFFICE WILL ALSO BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 25 APRIL ANZAC DAY



# **ST. AGATHA'S** YOUTH MINISTRY

## LIFETEEN MASS - Sunday 5.30pm

Join our talented musicians at this celebration of the Eucharist, where youth and young adults are invited to minister to each other. Enjoy supper and friendship after Mass.

#### Visit Aggies Youth:

https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth

## 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

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

#### **CONFIRMATION CEREMONY NIGHT** 30 April - 5.00pm and 7.00pm **FIRST COMMUNION** 1 June 9.00am and 11.00am 15 June 9.00am and 11.00am

## **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.

LITTLE WHITE BOOKS AVAILABLE AT THE PIETY

STALL

\$4.00 each

EASTER RAFFLE \$2.00 a ticket

or 3 tickets for \$5.00 Drawn Easter Sunday

#### 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.

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HOLY WEEK MASS & CELEBRATION TIMES (14 April - 21 Ap				A variety of
April 14	Monday	6.30am Mass		Easter Cards
April 16	Wednesday	9.00am Mass		are available
April 17	Holy Thursday:	7.00pm - Mass of the Lord's	Supper	for sale at the
April 18	Good Friday:	Good Friday: 10.00am - Stations of the Cross 3.00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion		Piety Stall.
April 19	Holy Saturday:	7.00pm - Easter Vigil		
April 20	April 20Easter Sunday:7.00am and 9.00am - MassPlease Note:NO 5.30 pm MassApril 21Easter Monday:6.30am Mass			
April 21				

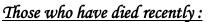
#### **GOOD FRIDAY COLLETION 2014**

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.3 million to this cause, despite tough economic times, natural disasters and increasing cost of living which put a strain on family budgets and financial resources. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land again on this Good Friday. Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the 'Prince of Peace'.

**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



Jim Moloney, Oscar Bickley, Brian Byrne, Brian Connolly

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Pam Levy, Zanda McDonald, Judy Power, Joan Fitz-Herbert, Edith Farrelly, Margaret Fudge

#### Those who are sick:

Jack Williamson, Moyra Sheahan, 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.

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FEAST IN HONOUR OF THE MARTYRED THREE SAINTS - ALFIO, FILADELFO and CIRINO Holy Cross Church, Wooloowin / 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.gld.edu.au



**MenAlive in the City** Thursday 24 April Francis Rush Centre, Elizabeth Street, Brisbane 5:45pm - 7:30pm menALIVE is a National Catholic Ministry to Men which was founded out of a response to a great need in the hearts and lives of men, and a great need in the life of the Catholic Church. For more information visit: www.menalive.org.au

## THE IONA PASSION PLAY

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

# FAITH ON TAP

Monday 14 April - The Pineapple Hotel

This month at Faith on Tap Brisbane we feature two young local men, Eddie Parke and Tom Ramsey, who will be sharing their experiences and adventures of volunteering in Timor Leste. Talk begins at 7:30pm in the function room upstairs. Cost: \$2.00

More information contact: Lizzie 0430 198 971 / David 0431 956 753 / Email: faithontap@yahoo.com.au Please note: "Faith on Tap" is for young adults aged 18 to 35 years.



Your support for Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia to lift the voices of the poor and promote the dignity of each person, regardless of ethnicity, religion or cultural beliefs.

This week we meet Nirangini in Sri Lanka. From 1983 to 2009 a civil war affected Sri Lanka, and Nirangini and her entire community were forced to leave their village. Thanks to your support, Nirangini now has a permanent home back in her childhood village and she and her son are re-establishing their lives.



Please donate to Project Compassion today so partnerships like this can continue to grow.

