



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Administrator

Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD

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Mrs Rosemary Greer

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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 - Fourth Sunday of Easter - 11 May 2014

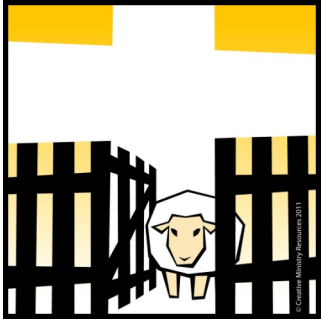
1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41; 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25;

Gospel: John 10:1-10

LIFE AND SAFETY

Jesus the gate, photocopier-printers, mothers' day and vocations to priesthood and religious seem strange items to bundle together but that is where I am as I write.

In all my years I have never seen any religious art depicting Jesus as a gate but that is what he calls himself in the gospel extract we listen to today: "I am the gate of the sheepfold". As a gate it is through him that we find ourselves in a safe place out of the clutches of those who would do us harm. Can there be a gate that recognises those seeking entry? And the answer of course is yes. The doors of our own St Agatha's have sensors that detect us and open the doors as we approach.



Which brings me to the photo-copier printer coming to the parish office. Equipped with "welcoming eye" technology no longer will we have to push a button to bring it off stand-by mode. Now it will see us coming and wake up to be of service. The machine could come with facial recognition so that only those it recognised would be able to use it.

Jesus as the gate, the one through whom we come to the Father, desires that we be safe from predators of all kinds. This is not only those on the outside who seek to harm us with words and actions but to keep us safe from ourselves with our own indulgence in self-destructive thoughts and actions. Our Lord is the one who keeps watch over our thoughts and actions so that the destructive ones do not get the upper hand.

And so to mothers and priests and religious: what have they to do with gateways to safety and full lives. Clearly through our mothers we have come into this world. Having nurtured us inside themselves until birth they held us and helped us with our fathers to grow to discover all the gifts and abilities God breathed into us as he created our souls where our intellect and will find a home. The work of priests and religious brothers and sisters is also to lead us to safety and to living life to the full. Without the clear guidance from those dedicated to God in this way, we can find ourselves wandering from one new recipe for happiness to another forgetful of the simply approach given us by Our Lord to walk through life with him.

So on this Sunday, we pray that those who sense a call from God to be priest or religious will follow it to see where it leads and with God's help serve the community well. We thank God for the women who gave us birth and helped us to grow and mature. We ask for our deepening of our trust in Our Lord's protective care for us and the life we always have with him at the centre. And we pray that as doors open and photo-copier printers come awake as we approach that we thank God for the creativity that enables such things to happen and use them to remind us to be helpful and alert when others approach us.

Adrian Farrelly



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 docket to the parish office. See notice board for menu suggestions.

Enquiries to the parish office on 3262 2859



HELP REQUIRED AT THE FIRST COMMUNION MASSES

**1 June and 15 June
at 9.00am and 11.00am**

4 Teams of 3 people are required to assist with the various roles:

ushering, the roll call, handing medals out etc. at the Masses and set up and serving of the morning tea celebrations following the Masses.

If you would like to assist please phone Jane at the parish office on 3262 2859.

* * * **PLEASE NOTE** * * *

There will be no 9.00am Mass on Thursday 29 May

ST AGATHA'S SCHOOL OPEN DAY

will be held on

FRIDAY 30 MAY 2014

9AM - 10.30AM

For more information please phone

St Agatha's School on 3326 9222 or

visit our website

www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au



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.

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.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY CHOIR

invites you to A Variety of Voices concert and CD launch on
Wednesday 21 May 7pm in the Holy Spirit Chapel of the
university - gold coin donation - supper after the concert.
Free parking on campus. Debut CD on sale \$15.

*** ORGANISTS NEEDED ***

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

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE TOWNSVILLE

Past Pupils Association Brisbane

ANNUAL MASS AND HIGH TEA

Saturday 24 May 2014

St Stephen's Cathedral, 249 Elizabeth Street at 11.30am,
followed by High Tea at Tattersall's Club,

215 Queen Street at 12.30pm.

COST \$35 per person. RSVP by 16 May 2014.

Enquires: Monica 334 19197 or Barbara 339 66641.

Website: www.spcpp.net

With great joy we welcome into the Catholic Church Community:

Lucy Burr and Benjamin Darbyshire

who will be baptised this Sunday.

CARDS and HOLY GIFTS ON SALE NOW

**from PIETY STALL for
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
(celebrated weekends 1 June and 15 June)**

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - ST AGATHA'S CLAYFIELD

Have you been away from the Church and you are seeking to reconnect and get an update on your Catholic faith? Perhaps you know someone who has left the Church? or just beginning to worship with us again? Please invite them to join us for 6 sessions, "Catholics Returning Home", Mondays from **16 June 7.30pm to 9pm** at **St Agatha's Clayfield**, 52 Oriel Road. Please use the pink brochures to invite people you know. For more information, please contact Lisa on 0418 734 147.

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Anna Maria Lauro, Irene Hogan, Kay Drummond, Moyra Sheahan, Nancy Kirk, Scott Sullivan

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Lynette Grills, Ross McKenzie, William Chan Wing Yam, Monsignor John English, Basil Taylor, Andrew Collier

Those who are sick:

Margot Lane, Patricia Chan, Rene Quinn, Jack Williamson, 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.

TIMOR IMMERSION - NOVEMBER 2014

The Young Adult Ministry of the Cathedral of St Stephen invites young adults to attend the information day for Timor Immersion in November 2014. The immersion is a remarkable opportunity to allow ourselves to be touched by God through the life of people living in poverty and it is a special invitation to experience the unique beauty and contrast of East Timor.

Information date: 18 May at 2pm in Young Adult Ministry room, accessible on the first floor of the Cathedral car park. For further information contact Sr Thao Nguyen through thaofdce9@hotmail.com.au or 0421577716 or Ststephencathedralyam@gmail.com.

WALK FOR LITTLE FEET 2014

Saturday 24 May

(Speaking up peacefully for the unborn)

Start: 11.00am corner of Annerley Road and Catherine Street, Woolloongabba

Lunch: (BYO) 12.45pm - 1.15pm Kurilpa Park

Finish: 2.30pm Parliament House, corner of George and Alice Streets

For more information: www.walkforlittlefeet.org / www.facebook.com/walkforlittlefeet / or phone Right to Life Australia 3892 5349.



NEW RESOURCE FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN AND PARISHES

The Genius Project is an amazing new four-part DVD resource for Catholic women. Based upon Pope John Paul II's teaching on the vocation and dignity of women. Use it at home or form a small group in your parish.

Find out more at www.beingcatholic.com.au/genius-project/

Do you enjoy meeting people? Do you love your Cathedral? Do you revel in good art and juicy history? Do we have an opportunity for you! Talk with us about becoming a volunteer welcomer and guide at the Cathedral of St Stephen. The commitment is approximately three hours per month on roster and booked tours according to your availability Monday to Friday, mornings or afternoons. The rewards are beyond measure - a wonderful opportunity to delve into the rich history, art and significance of the Cathedral and Precinct and to share it with others. Everyone you meet, greet and guide will become an ambassador for this historic architectural gem which is the mother church of the archdiocese. Volunteering is a sure-fire way to find friends that you didn't even know you had. An information session will be held on 15 May and a comprehensive five day training program will begin on 29 May and continue each Thursday until completion on 3 July. Contact Carmel Devery at the Cathedral office on 3324 3030 or e-mail deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au by 13 May if you'd like to share in this mission!

"KAROL THE POPE THE MAN"

Saturday 31 May 2014

A highly acclaimed film on Saint Pope John Paul II (canonised on 27 April) focusing on the tremendous impact he had on the church and the world. Schonell Theatre University of QLD St Lucia, doors open 1.40pm for 2pm commencement. \$15 Adults, \$10 children under 16. Free parking in grounds, many buses.

Proceeds to Missionaries of God's Love Priests and Seminarians.

Information and tickets: Maureen Ferrington 0401 548 796, santachiaaraevents@gmail.com, Paul Bertini 33982963, Vilma D'Silva 0405 514 929, Fiona Pires (after 4 May) 0412802122.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL BRISBANE RETREAT

at CCR Brisbane Centre, 688 Nudgee Road, Northgate on weekend of 21 and 22 June 2014.

Theme: **"CATCH THE FIRE"**. Fr Steve Fletcher, MGL will be the retreat director. Book by 16 May for early bird rate. For registration details please contact Miriam on 3202 6856 or email: secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.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>				
10/11 May	Eddie Foley Marie Ho	Ruby Chase Sonia Marmotta	St Agatha's 327 Mass	Life Teen Mass
17/18 May	Paul Bartels Judy Bartels	Anne-Marie Quinn Jeanine Bygott	Michael Crutcher Eileen Duncan Tim Hancock	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

10/11 May	Marie Ho	<i>Volunteer</i>	Dorothy McSweeney	Life Teen Mass
17/18 May	Eddie Foley	Blue Doyle	<i>Volunteer</i>	Life Teen Mass

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Prep to Grade 4 children are encouraged to participate.

Please note: any younger siblings need to be accompanied by an adult.

11 May	No Children's Liturgy	St Agatha's 327 Mass
18 May	Jane Cameron	Monica McBride

ORGANISTS:

10/11 May	Catriona McPherson	Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming/ Paul Fiumara	Life Teen Mass
17/18 May	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung	Eithne Stafford	Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

17 May	Beverley O'Brien
31 May	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

MAY

Monday 12

SVDP Meeting 5.00pm Parish Office

Wednesday 14

Pastoral Council 7.00pm Parish Office

Tuesday 20

Finance Meeting 6.00pm Parish Office

Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22

First Communion practices
3.30pm Church

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue:

- * Vinnies urges people to dig deep for winter appeal and help the needy.
- * Catholic school students give the gift of hope to struggling farmers.
- * Brisbane women stirring hearts with new faith project.
- * Catholics urged to unite for World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Readings - Fifth Sunday of Easter - 18 May 2014
1st Reading: Acts 6:1-7; 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9;
Gospel: 14:1-12