



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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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.

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Administrator

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Administrative Assistant

Parish Office Hours

School Principal

Outside School Hours Care Coordinator

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 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27 July 2014

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; 2nd Reading: Romans 8:28-30;

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52



WHAT DO WE WISH FOR?

Stories and jokes abound about magic lamps from which, when rubbed, come wish-granting genies. The usual script for the genie from the lamp is: "you have three wishes". Then comes the decision making - what do I wish for? As a boy I thought I had worked it out. First wish: that my second wish is granted. Second wish: that every wish after this be granted. In this way I had a blank check to get whatever I wanted.

And therein lay the difference between my younger self and the young Solomon of today's first reading. Number one: this was no imaginary genie Solomon was talking to.

This was God who had created a people to be a light to the nations and through whom the human race would find its way to full maturity. This was the God of Abraham and Sarah and Hagar, the God of Isaac and Rebekah, the God of Jacob and Rachel and Leah, the God of David and Bathsheba, the parents of Solomon. Number two: Solomon (unlike my younger self) did not ask for "things" for himself, the "things" that would make him feel and look important. Solomon instead asked for a heart that could discern between good and evil. He asked for wisdom. And God gave him what he asked for in such abundance that even to this time people remember the wisdom of Solomon.

Wisdom comes from reflecting on experience and learning from those experiences making the personal changes that wisdom indicates. Truly wise men and women know the treasure they have in the revelation of God that comes through faith in Jesus. This is a source of wisdom available to everyone.

So back to wishing. God asks us each day to name what we want to receive, what we would like God to give us. What is it that you desire most? Is it wisdom that allows you to serve others richly and compassionately or is it some "thing" that will give you a sense of importance.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

STILL HOPING TO GO:

HOLY LAND FOR 13 DAYS - \$1,705 USD (SINGLE SUPPLEMENT \$470 USD) PLUS AIRFARES

Fr Adrian is returning to the Holy Land with the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre this October.

The pilgrimage begins in Amman October 26 and leaves from there November 7.

These pilgrimages are great opportunities to visit the Holy Land and experience first hand the places you hear about at Mass. The members of the Order welcome those who are not members to make the most of this offer. Price includes hotel accommodation (not 5 star but very comfortable), most meals, coach travel, entrance fees where required. Contact Fr Adrian ASAP for details.

By October the present fighting will be finished, even though tensions will remain. We do not go to any place of known risk.

We are holding a meeting Tuesday at 7.00pm in the parish office. All welcome to attend.



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



ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 5 August

Parish Office - 7.00pm

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

PLEASE NOTE:

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY,
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY MASSES
WILL BE AT 6.30AM
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**NO BENEDICTION WILL BE HELD
ON FRIDAY 1 AUGUST.**

**MASS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
WILL BE HELD AT 9.00AM ON
FRIDAY 15 AUGUST.**

**** CHILDREN'S LITURGY HELPERS NEEDED ****

Have you a spare hour once every six weeks to assist with this most rewarding ministry? Each Children's Liturgy session is run by two adult volunteers. One to facilitate and the other to assist. No experience required, all scripted. You just need the ability to facilitate and manage up to approximately 10 children aged between 5 and 9. Why not come along and observe a session for yourself to help you make your decision.

Our parish will be conducting the annual Propagation of the Faith next weekend 2/3 August.

The three parables recounted by Jesus in this weekend's Gospel point to how we should be prepared to give up all we have in order to 'acquire' the pearl of the Kingdom of God. Not that being a follower of Christ comes with a price-tag but it certainly does have a cost. One of those costs is supporting the Church's work, through agencies like Catholic Mission. Your contribution will support missionary priests, like Fr Emmanuel in Rwanda, as they, like the man taking ownership of that special field, look to share the Good News and bring God's love to people in more than 160 countries. On their behalf, and on behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity, we thank you.



We welcome

**Zarah Holmes, Lachlan Mills,
Alexander Reseigh,
Charli Walker, Reeve Doneley and
Skyler Bayliss**
who will be baptised this Sunday.



Saturday 9 August is a big day for OUR LADY'S COLLEGE ANNERLEY!

50th Anniversary Memorial Mass at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church 10.00am followed by morning tea at the college.

Please email: olcappa@gmail.com if you will be attending for catering purposes.

50th Anniversary Gala Dinner at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, South Brisbane starting at 7.00pm until 10.00pm. Tickets to be purchased from Trybooking.com and searching for OLCAPPA.

INVITATION TO SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP EVENT

All parishioners are invited to join in mass celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge for the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop on Friday, 8 August 2014 at 10:00am at the Cathedral of St Stephen. Historical items of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop will be on display. Morning tea will be served after Mass in the Cathedral Grounds and stalls will display the works of various agencies of the Archdiocese of Brisbane. All are welcome.

RSVP by 1 August 2014 to rsvp@bne.catholic.net.au or call 3324 3200

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently :

James Carrigan, Fr Bill McCarthy, Sr Philomene Tiernan, Denis Campbell, Phil Hanley, Patricia McLean

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Giuseppa Catalano, Bill Thompson, Lionel Selwyn, Margaret Hilton, Mona Moynihan, John and Claire Collins, Gloria and Mick Statham, Jen and Frank York, Mary and Herbert Stanley, Daniel and Margaret Collins, Lila Russell, Theresa Viena

Those who are sick:

Frank Wilkie, Will Coventry, Don Martin, Patrick Gallagher, Corey White, 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, Alison Doust, Raymond Johnson, Alan Lawrenson, Robert Mutton

V9 - VOCATIONS NOVENA

With the support of Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Vocation Brisbane is once again leading the **V9 Prayer Campaign** - nine weeks of prayer for vocations in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. The Prayer campaign began Sunday 15 June and culminates at the end of National Vocations Awareness Week on Sunday the 10 August.

Please keep Vocations in your prayers over these weeks with these words.....

At the sight of the crowds Jesus' heart was moved

For they were like sheep without a shepherd

Jesus said, "The harvest is ready but the labourers are few"

Ask the Lord to send out labourers for harvest.

O Lord we pray that young men will answer the call to become priests in Your harvest

And shepherds for your people. Amen.



WOMEN OF THE WAY ANNUAL RETREAT

Date: 22-24 August 2014

Venue: Watson Park, Old Gympie Road, Dakabin

Theme: You are truly God's handiwork (Eph 2:10)

Presenter: Karen Atkins

Contact: Julie Smith (0402 316 288 / 3482 3250) or

email: wowqld@gmail.com



IGNITE CONFERENCE 14

National Catholic Youth Conference

25 - 28 September 2014 / Mueller Performing Arts Centre

75 Morris Road, Rothwell

www.igniteconference.com.au

Few brochures available on table in church foyer.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR PROCLAIM 2014?

Join over 450 people from parishes around Australia to discuss evangelisation in the church today. Proclaim 2014 will run from Thursday August 21 to Saturday August 23 at Chatswood, Sydney. Speaking at the conference are Fr Michael White and Tom Corcoran who almost tripled Church attendance over 5 years at their parish in North Baltimore USA. The conference workshops will also impart practical ideas for participants to take home to their parish. Registrations close August 7. For more information visit www.proclaimconference.com.au or call 1300 4 FAITH (1300 432 484).

YOUTH EXPO 2014

Sunday 3 August 2014 - 12.00pm-4.00pm / Expo Venue: St. Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane

All youth and young adults are invited to explore diverse Catholic communities, ministries, charities and organisations welcoming involvement. Dynamic stalls, live music, food & drinks + special events:

12.00pm: Special Young Adults Mass / 1.00pm-4.00pm: Catholic stalls display

2.00pm-3.00pm: Q&A on Vocations (in Francis Rush Centre).

INTERESTED IN WORKING OVERSEAS?

Communities in Asia, Africa and the Pacific seek people with qualifications and experience in education, health, administration, agriculture, tourism, and other professional, technical, and trades willing to volunteer to share their knowledge and skills for a minimum of 12 months from January 2015.

Palms Information Session at Lavalla Centre, Presentation Room, 58 Fernberg Road Paddington

Thursday 7 August 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Enquiries: roger@palms.org.au or (02) 9518 9551 or visit www.palms.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>				
26/27 July	Phil Zammit Eric van der List	Chanelle White Sister Cecily Foster	Patricia Sutcliffe Trish Ryan Peter Ryan	Life Teen Mass
2/3 Aug	Graham Gibson Julie-Anne Gibson	Diane Ingram Chanelle White	Jill Weld Jane Arkinstall Heidi Cooper	Life Teen Mass
<u>COMMUNION MINISTERS</u>				
26/27 July	Jan Zammit	Paulette Archer	Henry Weld	Life Teen Mass
2/3 Aug	Marie Ho	Kate Duffield	Dorothy McSweeney	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.

27 July	Eleonora Kowitz	Julie McMahon	
3 Aug	Jane Cameron (L)	Amy Cameron	

ORGANISTS:

26/27 July	Eithne Stafford	Mark Leung	Volunteer	Life Teen Mass
2/3 Aug	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung	Catriona McPherson	Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

2 Aug	Victor Podesta	Jane Lynn	
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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	6.30 am
Mass:	Thursday	6.30 am
Mass:	Friday	6.30 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

JULY

Monday 28 July

* SVDP Meeting 5pm

Parish Office.

AUGUST

Tuesday 5

* Youth Ministry Team Meeting 7pm Parish Office

Sunday 10

* St Agatha's P27 Mass 9.00am

Friday 15

* Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9.00am

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

- * Brisbane and Sydney schools mourn death of Sacred Heart Sister Philomene Tiernan aboard Malaysia Airlines Flight MH17.
- * Flight tragedy hits home for Caritas priest at AIDS conference in Melbourne.
- * Brisbane farewells much-loved priest.

Readings - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3 August 2014

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3; 2nd Reading: Romans 8:35, 37-39;

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21