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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.

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 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 21 September 2014 1st Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9; 2nd Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27; Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16



GOD'S THOUGHTS AND OUR THOUGHTS

"Play fair", "A fair day's work for a fair day's pay", "the best and fairest award goes to ..." All are words we are familiar with. Underlying them is a respect for the rules and the order that comes from observing the rules. In wage matters we are dealing with justice and receiving what we are entitled to. I work for you on the understanding that you will honour the agreement we had about wages. I play according to the rules and refuse to cheat.

We are likewise familiar with disregard of the rules whether it is sporting clubs who do all they can to skirt around salary capping to ensure they have better players than other teams or a worker taking an employer task alleging unfair dismissal.

Fair treatment of others however is good as far as it goes. Sadly we know that what we experience in life is anything but fair. Unexpectedly we are hurt in an accident, fall ill, suffer the loss of a loved one or see them hurt or disabled in some major or minor way. Our best efforts are not always acknowledged or rewarded. When I have missed a number of short putts in a round of golf I can find myself thinking why is this happening to me as if the universe is conspiring to ruin my day. Life is often not fair.

And if we take today's readings to heart we should be glad that fairness is not the unbreakable rule that governs the universe. if it was, then we would never be on the receiving end of what we have not deserved. How often have we heard ourselves or someone else say when being given an unexpected gift "I don't deserve it!" Often times we are 100% correct. We receive what we do not deserve. This is called a gift. Something freely given to which we are not entitled. If we did receive something owed to us would be being remunerated justly. A gift of its very nature is not owed.

Thankfully, God's way of thinking is not our way of thinking. God's way of acting is not our way of acting. The workers who toiled all day in the gospel story were us in our entitlement mode. Even though we agreed to one denarius, we judged we deserved more than the others who did not do as much. When we whinge as they did we are blind to the blessing of unearned generosity.

The time, treasure and talent we have at our disposal are realities that we can use generously or strictly doled out according to what we judge others are owed. Usually, they are not owed all that much so we hoard what we have thinking we are rich and blessed and independent of others. Sadly we find ourselves trapped in a very small world with us at its centre. Allowing generosity to guide us the walls of the self-imposed cell fall away and we are in the open with the freedom to give and receive. We come alive as God's way of thinking becomes our way of thinking.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

* * <u>PLEASE NOTE</u> *

Weekday Mass times have returned to normal:
Monday 6.30am,
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am



Thank you for the many individuals who made a gift to the Annual Catholic Campaign last weekend. Each and every contribution is important and makes a difference. If you have not yet had an opportunity to make a gift, please join us in supporting vital ministries throughout the Archdiocese. You can find a giving envelope in the back of the Church or find information in the newsletter about giving online. On behalf of all those who rely on these ministries, thank you for your support.

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**

<u>incurred are reimbursed</u> with the presentation of dockets to the parish office. See notice board for menu suggestions.



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.



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE HERE

22 September to and including 6 October





St Agatha's Catholic Parish Primary School Clayfield is a community that values: Excellence, Diligence and Creativity Placed 2nd in Qld's Top Performing Schools 2014 Naplan Yr 7

Limited Vacancies in Years 5 & 6 2015

6 Hunter Lane, Clayfield Telephone: (07) 3326 9222 / Fax: (07) 3862 3431 Email: pclayfield@bne.catholic.edu.au

SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER

NET Ministries are running an Encounter Day (topic: "DO THIS DO THAT" - "PEER PRESSURE") for boys and girls in years 6, 7 and 8 / 10.00am to 1.00pm Presentation Centre (St Agatha's Primary School)

Cost: FREE!!

Come along to our Encounter Day with the Brisbane NET team as we break open the topic of Peer Pressure. The day will be filled with fun and games, thought provoking discussion and opportunities to explore this topic, and how Jesus gives us the strength to be ourselves.

Registration forms available on table in church foyer or register online at www.stickytickets.com.au/19652

* * PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A PARISH EVENT * *

CURSILLO WEEKEND

The 3 day Cursillo live-in for women will be held at Glendalough, 102 Lakewood Drive Peregian Beach from Friday night October 3 to Monday afternoon October 6. Conducted by a team of lay women. Fr Adrian Farrelly is the Spiritual Director for the 3 days. For more information contact Coralie Bishop:

coraliebishop@bigpond.com, ph 3630 4802 or Rosemary Haydock: rhaydock@live.com.au, ph: 0431 464 211. Cursillo is a lay movement of the Church that focuses on helping each person to discover themselves, their relationship with Christ and with others.



HAND-in-HAND

The Winter 2014 edition of Hand-in-Hand is now available. Copies available on table in church foyer. Please take a copy home and feel free to take extra copies for your family, friends and neighbours.

We welcome *Hugh Frith and Oliver Marriot* who will be baptised this Sunday.



We celebrate Social Justice Sunday next Sunday 28 September.
This year's Social Justice Statement is titled:

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A Crown for Australia: Striving for the best in our sporting nation.

The Statement celebrates the place of sport in our national life, especially the way in which it brings individuals and communities

together and contributes to our health and wellbeing. At the same time, the Statement challenges to look at sport's darker side - the potential for violence, abuse and corruption that blemish its image and disillusion those who love it most. For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website (www.socialjsutice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499



GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION



The Cathedral of St Stephen invites couples celebrating 50 years or more wedding anniversary, together with their families and friends, to Mass in the Cathedral on **Saturday 4 October at 10.00am** followed by refreshments in the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre.

RSVP: Cathedral Office 3324 3030 by Wednesday 1 October 2014.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Gaye Hawkins, Bernice Canavan, Marie van der List

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Lorna Agnew, Giovanni Larosa

Those who are sick:

Rosemary Gately, Matthew Gray, Frank Wilkie, 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, Paul Gaynor, Jill Corrigan, Jonathan O'Brien, Phyllis Madden, Maureen Johnson, Alison Doust, Raymond Johnson, Alan Lawrenson, Robert Mutton

Jesus entrusted us with a mission...











Priests Holy : Foundation Semi

A blessed THANK YOU

to everyone who made a gift last weekend to the Annual Catholic Campaign.

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If you have not yet had an opportunity to make a gift, please join us in supporting the vital ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Brisbane which serve you and this parish.

Simply fill out a giving envelope and place it in the offertory basket or drop it in the mail. You can also make a gift online by visiting www.catholiccampaign.com.au

On behalf of all those who rely on these ministries Thank you for your support.



2014 ANNUAL

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

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...Your gift brings this mission to life

GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS OUR LADY OF THE WAY PARISH - PETRIE Sunday 9 November 2014 - Mass at 9.00am

Followed by our Golden Jubilee Carnival
Most Rev Mark Coleridge DD Presiding

Dinner: Saturday 15 November 7.30pm (adults 18 years and over)
North's Leagues and Services Club, Anzac Ave Kallangur
Cost \$40 per head: 3 Course meal
Please advise of any dietary requirements

To book please contact the Petrie Parish Office on 3285 6759 or
email petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

NEW CATHOLIC AWARDS TO HONOUR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP

AUSTRALIAN Catholics are invited to nominate for a new award recognising excellence in community leadership. The Community Leader Awards, hosted by The Catholic Leader, recognises outstanding achievements among Catholic professionals, youth, school leaders, volunteers, as well as parishioners.

Catholics can nominate for Professional Leader of the Year,
Young Leader of the Year, School Leader of the Year,
Volunteer of the Year or Community Leader of the Year.
Nominations for any of the five award categories close on October 31.
The Catholic Leader will present the awards at an official
ceremony on November 19 at the Francis Rush Centre in the heart of
Brisbane's central business district.

Nominate online at www.catholicleader.com.au/awards2014 or contact The Catholic Leader Awards Team on (07) 3336 9100 for an application form.

LUTWYCHE CATHOLIC PARISH

invites applications for the part-time position of Parish Secretary (Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm, 12 hours per week)

The successful applicant will have:

- * Demonstrated ability in providing reception services and administrative support.
- * Knowledge of Business Activity Statement (BAS) reporting and accounting software packages preferably MYOB or QuickBooks.
- * Well-developed written and oral communication skills and interpersonal skills for providing excellent customer service to internal and external stakeholders.
 - * Demonstrated capacity to work both independently and with others.

 * A willingness to work within the Mission and Vision of the
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Specific responsibilities include:

The day-to-day running of the parish office including reception, general office responsibilities, Parish newsletter, banking, financial management, database entry, document preparation, photocopying and filing.

To apply for this position, please email your current resume and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the position to hayerc@bne.catholic.net.au. Applications should include the name of two (2) referees one of which preferably should be a Parish Priest. For more information contact Cindy Hayer on 3367 6332 or hayerc@bne.catholic.net.au.

Applications close on Tuesday 30 September 2014



Red Cross High Tea and Fashion Parade to celebrate Red Cross 100 years in Australia, will be held at Carmel Marshall's residence 50 Racecourse Road, Ascot Saturday 4 October at 3.00pm.

Admission \$25 with door prize.

For bookings please contact Desma 3268 1122 or Shirley 3262 1657

VOLUNTEER STAFF REQUIRED

PCI (Pregnancy Crisis Incorporated) is in urgent need of volunteer staff as House Supervisors at PCI House, the Charity's safe house. She (or a married couple) will have a separate suite, free rental, food allowance (if living in for one week or more), free electricity, insurance, water and rates, but beyond that this work is a labour of love. The address of the Safe House is of course confidential and is located in a southern suburb of Brisbane. A current driver's licence and motor vehicle would be helpful. If you feel called to help impoverished abused pregnant mothers by volunteering for the above position please telephone Patti on 1300 777 777 or email: pci777@bigpond.com.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
Eddie Foley	Mark Burton	Jill Weld	Life Teen Mass

READERS 20/21 Sept

Marie Ho **Blue Doyle** Heidi Cooper Michael Crutcher

27/28 Sept **Paul Bartels** Nick Eden **Eileen Duncan** Life Teen Mass

Judy Bartels Dianne Eden Tim Hancock

Denis Keating

COMMUNION MINISTERS

20/21 Sept Volunteer **Paulette Archer** Volunteer Life Teen Mass 27/28 Sept **Trish Hickey Blue Dovle** Volunteer 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.

21 Sept No Children's Liturgy - School Holidays 28 Sept No Children's Liturgy - School Holidays

ORGANISTS:

20/21 Sept Catriona McPherson Life Teen Mass Volunteer Mark Leung Catriona McPherson Life Teen Mass 27/28 Sept **Robyn Cuming** Mark Leung

SANCTUARY CARERS:

Victor Podesta 4 Oct Jane Lynn

> 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

6.00 pm Masses: Saturday Sunday 7.00 am

9.00 am

5.30 pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday 5 pm -5.30 pm

Before most masses Rosary:

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

Mass: Monday 6.30 am Mass: Wednesday 9.00 am Mass: Thursday 9.00 am Friday 9.00 am Mass:

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 9.00am Mass. We celebrate baptism on the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month.



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.







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

SEPTEMBER

Monday 22

* SVDP 5pm Parish Office

Thursday 25

* RCIA 7pm Parish Office Sunday 28

* Social Justice Sunday

THE CATHOLIC LEADER **COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00**

In this week's issue:

- * Brisbane deacon releases book on his experiences as a soldier, commander, husband, parent, peacekeeper and minister.
- * Brisbane Catholic Education student protection officer wins a Queensland award and talks about her experience over years of protecting children from abuse.
- * Australian lay Catholics invited to attend Vatican synod on family comment on their hopes and expectations.
- * Truth, Justice and Healing Council CEO talks about the challenges facing the Church in the light of Royal Commission.

Readings - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 28 September 2014 1st Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28; 2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1-11; Gospel: 21:28-32