



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Aggies Youth [facebook.com/aggiesyouth](https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth)

Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD

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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.

Mrs Carol Sayers **APRE:** Mr Nick Fogarty

Ms Harmony Domaille

Administrator

Parish Secretary

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 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15 February 2015

1st Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1;

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45



Green vestments and tabernacle covers will not be seen at mass from Shrove Tuesday 17 February (the forgiving day before Ash Wednesday) until 26 May, the Tuesday after Pentecost Sunday. We shall go purple from next Wednesday through to 1 April, the Wednesday of Holy Week. After the sacred three days (Holy Thursday night to Easter Sunday evening) we shall go white to celebrate that death did not win the day on Good Friday with our Lord's death.

Even before the culminating events of his mission to let everyone know the Good News of God's love for and acceptance of them healing flowed from Christ. The man with leprosy whom he touched before he healed him is yet another instance of acceptance and healing.

With the outbreak of Ebola we are very well aware of the lengths health and civil authorities will go to controlling the spread of this fatal disease. We are accustomed to quarantine regulations put in place for the same reason with other diseases. With this background knowledge we can understand the laws laid down by Moses about those infected with leprosy an infectious disease in its early stages. For the sake of the well being of others those affected had to live outside the camp until they cured. The priests in those days were the ones responsible for verifying that a sufferer was cured. The quarantining was not a life sentence but a time for the healing processes to take hold before returning.

What happens with health issues happens with social issues. Only this week we read reports of a man convicted of sexually abusing children being denied release from prison even though the sentence he was given when convicted ended some years back. The decision to keep him in prison was from concern for youngsters in society. He was judged to be too serious a risk of offending again to be released. It is not that society did not care for him. This care is shown in the upkeep provided to those imprisoned.

The fact that Jesus reached out and touched the man with the disease before speaking words that brought healing is significant. Possibly this was the first touch from a non-infected person he had felt for a long time. The touch itself was healing. Jesus did not ignore the health regulations of the day by reminding the man to see the priest as the law required for his cure to be verified. Then he was free to return to the camp, the society, from which he had been excluded.

Within homes, within society, within church, some are excluded for a time to protect the unity and well-being of the group but never with the view that the condition they are in is terminal. Depending on the frame of mind of those who pose a danger to the well-being of the group there may never be reconciliation. But especially as disciples we hope for a personal triumph of God's grace in the person who has abandoned goodness for evil.

Lent is the six weeks we dedicate to that task. What thoughts, words or deeds separate us from the community? What danger do we pose to the well-being of the community sent into the world to let others know who Christ is? Spend time in personal prayer with our Lord seeking his guidance and strength to know yourself and bring about the change your well-being and the well-being of society needs.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

* * * SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND - LITTLE KING'S MOVEMENT * * *

The Little King's Movement once a year conducts a Door Knock and a Parish Appeal.

The Movement caters for people with disabilities in social and spiritual activities. There is no Government funding and the Movement is staffed by volunteers. Each year the calls for their services are increasing. The Movement, though based on Catholic beliefs is truly ecumenical, and all members are welcomed and respected for their own beliefs.

There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Movement. **Envelopes available on pews.**

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

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.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Special price \$5.00 each
For sale at the Piety Stall

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS (Lent) - \$4.00 each

Available for sale at the Piety Stall.

PREP 2016 REMINDER (Children born between 1/07/10 – 30/06/11)

All siblings eligible for Prep 2016 should have received an enrolment application form by now.

If you did not receive one, or haven't left details with the school yet, please email the Enrolment Secretary on wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au

with your name and email address and your child's name and date of birth.

All applications for Prep close 13 March 2015.

Interviews usually take place in April/May. Placements offered in June



With great joy we welcome
**Joshua Le Mare, Thomas Mescall,
Ashton Taylor and Oliver Vidler**
who will be baptised this Sunday.

LENTEN PROGRAM

"Rich in Mercy"

is the title of this year's Lenten Program.

The Lenten discussion group will begin on Monday 16 February 7pm.

If you are interested in taking part, please call the Parish Office.



Best wishes and
Happy 100th Birthday to
Bill Thornton

Episcopal Offices – The Francis Rush Centre
invites applications for the full time position of
Administration Assistant
(37.5 hours Monday to Friday)

The successful applicant will have:

- * Experience in senior secretarial or administrative positions
- * High proficiency in the Microsoft Office suite including diary management
- * Initiative and creativity
- * Excellent communication skills
- * Experience in working in a team
- * High understanding of confidentiality
- * A lifestyle compatible with the values and teachings of the Church.

Specific responsibilities include:

greeting visitors to the Episcopal Offices, ensuring data bases are maintained and updated, receiving and responding appropriately to phone calls, participating in and leading project teams related to various activities of these Offices, maintaining confidential files and documents and providing administrative relief duties as required.

Please send resume and cover letter to carrickm@bne.catholic.net.au

For more information contact Myolene Carrick on 0418 185 350 or carrickm@bne.catholic.net.au

Applications close on Friday 20 February 2015

CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

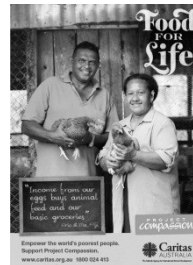
ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

8.00am; 10.00am; 12.30pm; 5.10pm

St Patrick's Fortitude Valley

7.00am & 11.00am

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY



Your donation will support programs around the world that provide vulnerable people with the skills and opportunities they need to establish food for life.

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of Lenten donation envelopes and give generously to the appeal this Lent.

Envelopes and boxes available from either pews or table in main church entry.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Len Corser, Noel Evans, Peter O'Dea, Bill Carter, Jill Buckle, Daphne Mellor, Daphne Anderson

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Fr Vincent Rowan, Phyllis Sullivan

Those who are sick:

John Herron, Jean Conroy, Kerri Smith, Gerry Maller, Christina Maynes, Ann Tully, Louise Horrocks, Nola Palm, Bella Emery, Rosemary Gately, Matthew Gray, Frank Wilkie, Don Martin, Patrick Gallagher, Rene Quinn, Eileen Clarke, Sandra McGregor, Rob Bruce, Mel Purwo, Kath Delahunty, Kylie Taylor, Laura Vize, Paul Gaynor, Jill Corrigan, Jonathan O'Brien, Phyllis Madden, Maureen Johnson, Alison Doust, Raymond Johnson, Alan Lawrenson, Robert Mutton



Holy Spirit Northside Private Hospital is currently seeking Communion Ministers to assist the Pastoral Care

Department Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday mornings. The provision of Communion has reached a critical point with the growth of the hospital and the increased number of patients expecting and requesting Holy Communion. I am asking you to consider offering one or two hours one morning a month so that this ministry may continue. If you are available more frequently, that would also be welcomed.

Requirements: Must be a practising Communion Minister and be available one morning a month for one or two hours between the hours of 9.00am – 12.00am.

Please forward expressions of interest to Kelly Connellan:
kelly.connellan@svha.org.au.

For further enquiries please contact:
Mary Dalmau, Mission Executive

Holy Spirit Northside Private Hospital on 3326 3534.

PARISH SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE See "orange" form at church entrance



Date: Tuesday 7 April - Saturday 11 April 2015

Venue: James Byrne Centre, Toowoomba

Cost: \$395 which includes accommodation and meals (\$370 early bird – if registered by 13 February)

Movers & Shakers is a leadership training program for young people aged 16 to 19 who are interested in further developing their leadership skills in a Christian context.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY HIGH TEA - Hosted by Holy Spirit Northside Private Hospital.

Saturday 7 March 2015 / 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Ground Floor, Sister Edith Centre for Education / 627 Rode Road Chermside

Tickets: \$35 - champagne on arrival, door prizes, raffles and high tea.

RSVP: Saturday 28 February / Kelly Connellan 3326 3371 (between 9.00am – 2.00pm)

or email: kelly.connellan@svha.org.au.



To raise awareness about women's healthcare in their cancer programs and their hospitals in India.

BRISBANE CATENIANS

"Brisbane Catenians, who are based in St Agatha's parish, are delighted to announce that we are starting the 2015 year with a dinner meeting on Wednesday 25 February at

"Airport International Motel, 528 Kingsford-Smith Drive, Hamilton. 4007".

We are gathering from 6pm for drinks and the meeting will commence at 6.30 pm. We welcome men from the parish to join us, learn a little about Catenians and share a meal with friendly like minded Catholic men. Catenians operate worldwide and support the clergy to provide opportunities for adult Catholic laymen to meet in a social environment and develop friendly support for each other as well as encouraging Christian values amongst members.

We are not a service or action group.

Come and join us on 25 February. We are sure you will enjoy the experience of dining with other friendly Catholic men and you are under no obligation. All you need do is ring one of the following Catenians – Kevin Harris 0411 173 279, Wayne Wessels 0422 006 656 or Michael Quin-Conroy 3890 8251 to secure your place at the table.

Our brochures are available in the church."

PARISH ROSTERS

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

| | 6.00pm | 7.00am | 9.00am | 5.30pm |
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| <u>READERS</u> | | | | |
| 14/15 Feb | Ann Goves Ryan Smethurst | Kirsty Stevens Sister Cecily Foster | Don Macpherson Angela McFarlane Tanya Mulcahy | Life Teen Mass |
| 21/22 Feb | Eric van der List Phil Zammit | Aleira Egan Mary Kelaher | Katrina Murphy Wilma O'Connell Peter Gilroy | Life Teen Mass |
| <u>COMMUNION MINISTERS</u> | | | | |
| 14/15 Feb | Eddie Foley | Paulette Archer | <i>Volunteer</i> | Life Teen Mass |
| 21/22 Feb | Jan Zammit | <i>Volunteer</i> | <i>Volunteer</i> | Life Teen Mass |
| <u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</u> - Prep to Grade 4 children are encouraged to participate. <i>Please note: any younger siblings need to be accompanied by an adult.</i> | | | | |
| 15 Feb | Lina Alzate | Katrina Murphy | | |
| 22 Feb | Julie Kordic | Ewa Marino-Cebulski | | |
| <u>ORGANISTS:</u> | | | | |
| 14/15 Feb | <i>Volunteer</i> | Mark Leung | Robyn Cuming | Life Teen Mass |
| 21/22 Feb | Robyn Cuming | Mark Leung | Jenny McKeon | Life Teen Mass |
| <u>SANCTUARY CARERS:</u> | | | | |
| 21 Feb | 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 9.00am 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.



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

FEBRUARY

Monday 16

* SVDP Meeting 5.00pm
Parish Office

Tuesday 17 February

* Parish Pastoral Meeting
7.00pm Parish Office

Wednesday 18

Ash Wednesday

* 6.30am & 9.00am Masses

Thursday 19

* RCIA 7.00pm Parish Office

Friday 20

* Stations of the Cross 8.30am

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE

(Summer issue 2015)

is now available.

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Readings - First Sunday of Lent - 22 February 2015

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-15; 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22;

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15