



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Administrator

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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

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**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 - Third Sunday of Lent - 8 March 2015 - (Year A readings)

1st Reading: Exodus 17:3-7; 2nd Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8;

Gospel: John 4:5-42



Nick (Nhat) Tran, Mark Golin and Abdul Hussein are the catechumens on the RCIA journey this year in the parish. Catechumens are preparing for baptism, confirmation and reception of holy communion. They are part of the Church after the ceremony with Archbishop Coleridge in the cathedral two weeks ago when their names were recorded as the elect. They are part of the Church but not fully part.

This will happen on Holy Saturday night during the vigil celebration. Just as the Samaritan woman had a remarkable encounter with Jesus at the well outside her village, so these three will come to the Easter blessed water and allow themselves to be born again by water and the Holy Spirit.

They have journeyed with the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) team since September 2014. Along with Sarah and Cassie who have already been baptised in another Christian Church and who seek to come into full communion with the Catholic Church, the three men have met together each week to pray, study, discuss and share what it is we believe as Catholics and learn how we live.

Starting this Sunday and continuing over the Sunday 4 and 5 of Lent these men will be part of a simple but significant ritual after the homily at the mass they attend. These ancient rites are called "scrutinies" and they may, at first, seem strange to us. But they are profoundly rooted in our human experience. We need to examine (scrutinize) how we are, the areas of our lives where we are tempted, or seriously sin - in what we do and what we fail to do. We really need healing and the strength that can come from the support of our sisters and brothers.

One of the most powerful moments of the Scrutinies is how they begin. After the homily, the Elect are invited to come forward with their sponsors and stand before us. I then invite the whole assembly to pray for them in silence. It is a very solemn moment. This community has cared for these elect for some months now on their journey. We have sent them to reflect more and more deeply on the Word of God, and expressed to them our longing for the day on which they would join us at the table of the Lord. Now we pray for them in this sacred silence, deeply asking God to protect them and heal them in the weeks ahead.

Intercessions for the Elect

We then pray out loud together for the Elect.

Prayer of Exorcism

Then, we pray that they might be freed from the power of the Evil One and protected on their journey.

The Laying On of Hands

In a silent ritual deliberately reminiscent of the rite used for ordination in the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the priest or deacon lays his hands for a brief moment on the head of each of the Elect. It is a solemn act of calling down the Spirit of Jesus to be with them and protect them

Make a note of their names and Sarah and Cassie and pray for them each week until Easter.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

ROSTERS FOR EASTER



Are you available to be on roster at any of the Easter Masses?
Please fill in the sheets on the clipboard at the back of the church.
Please note the Easter Vigil is a lengthy celebration - 1½ - 2 hours.

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

If you have any questions or ideas please contact

Anne O'Connor on 3256 6013 or 0419 796 988.

Youth Lent Companion - \$4.00 each

Available for sale at the Piety Stall.

ST AGATHA'S JUNIOR CHOIR

(For children in Years 2 -6)

Please come along and join our Junior Choir.

Not too much commitment with only a handful of practices throughout the year after school in the church.

The children only sing at the P26 Masses,

Mother's Day and Christmas Eve.

If your child is interested please contact the Parish Office on 32622859.



LENTEN PROGRAM

"Rich in Mercy" is the title of this year's Lenten Program.

The Lenten discussion group meets on Monday at 7pm. If you are interested in taking part, please call the Parish Office.

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS (Lent) - \$4.00 each

Available for sale at the Piety Stall.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

will be held in the Church every

Friday at 8.30am during Lent.



PREP 2016 - St Agatha's Primary School

If you have a child born between 1/7/10 – 30/6/11, they are eligible to commence **Prep in 2016**.

If you have not already, let us know details of your child, please email the Enrolment Secretary on wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au

with your name, contact email, contact phone number and your child's name and date of birth.

Applications close for Prep 2016 on **13 March 2015**.

Interviews usually take place in April/May, and placements offered in June.

IGNITE LAUNCH is taking place on Saturday May 9, at Warner Brothers Movie World. Held for the first time last year, Ignite Launch drew together 300 young people from over 42 different schools, universities and parishes across Queensland and New South Wales. The day includes a full day at the theme park, followed by dinner, a live worship concert and a short inspirational talk encouraging young people to step out in impacting their world through their faith. For more information and registration visit website: igniteyouth.com/about.

ALTAR SERVING TRAINING

Fr Adrian will be running an Altar serving training session on Wednesday 18 March at 3.15pm in the Church for those children who are interested. Children must have made their First Communion. If your child would like to attend the session could you please notify the parish office by email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au or by phone 3262 2859.



PRACTICE for EASTER

Thursday nights
6.00pm - 7.00pm
in the Church

New members welcome.



\$2.00 a ticket
or 3 tickets for \$5.00
Drawn Easter Sunday.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

This week we meet Karen, a First Australian living in a remote rural community. Like many, she can't always afford or access healthy food. At Centacare Wilcannia-Forbes, supported by Caritas Australia, Karen gained the skills she needed to provide healthier food for her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help First Australians in remote communities gain the skills to make healthier food choices, building a better future for their families.



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

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Mary Schuster, Monsignor Wayne Peters

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Carmelo Fiumara, Jack Bowden, Thomas McVeigh, Gene Bartels, Stephen Chan, Pascal Calabrese, Faustina Calabrese, Salvatore & Lucy Mangano

Those who are sick:

Agnes Tam, Denis Lau, 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



CHRISM MASS

Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Thursday 26 March 2015 commencing at 7.30pm.

This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese and all are welcome.

Copy of the response from Archbishop Coleridge to the report of the Royal Commission is available on the parish website: www.clayfieldparish.org.au. Copies also available on table at main church entrance.

COULD THIS BE YOUR MINISTRY?

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has a Pastoral Care Ministry for the psychiatric area. We are looking for Volunteers to be trained to work within this Ministry.

The Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Team need mature committed Catholics with an ability to relate pastorally to those who are suffering a mental illness. The training course is held at the Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Centre each Wednesday from 6 May to 25 November from 9.00am to 3.30pm. We require a voluntary commitment of eight hours per week on completion of the Course in the various ministries e.g. Day Centre, Hospitals and Hostels.

Final date of applications is Friday 24 April.

Please apply now in writing to: Fr Jim Smith

Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care

58 Morgan Street, Fortitude Valley Telephone 3252 5461
Mon-Fri 8.30am-4pm

Fax 3257 1885 or email cppc@bne.catholic.net.au

LIVING BIBLICALLY IN A SECULAR WORLD

is a formation series with Archbishop Mark Coleridge DSS. The Scriptures, though written 2000 years ago, offer insight and wisdom into the contemporary issues we experience today.

Drawing on his biblical scholarship, Archbishop Mark will demonstrate the capacity of God's word to speak into such issues and its power to transform our lives.

These evenings will underscore Pope Francis' view that 'the study of the sacred Scriptures must be a door opened to every believer.' These evenings will be held the 3rd Wednesday of the month from March to November

inclusive: March 18, April 15, May 20, June 10, July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21 and November 18.

Where: Francis Rush Centre, 277 Elizabeth Street

Time: 7:15 pm - 9:00 pm

Entry is by gold coin donation. Free parking will be available in the Cathedral car park which is open from 7pm (entrance via Charlotte St.) All people are welcome.

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.

*** * CALLING ALL PARISH MUSICIANS * ***

Join the massed choir to sing at the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Thursday 26 March at 7.30pm.

Rehearsals are held at the Cathedral of St Stephen:

Friday 20 March 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Thursday 26 March 6.00pm - 7.00pm
immediately before Mass.

The Chrism Mass is a chance to gather with the Archbishop who blesses the oils to be used during the coming year. Additionally, the priests renew their commitment to him made at their own ordinations. Thus your presence is a support to the Archdiocese, the Archbishop, your priest and parish.

ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE GREGORY TERRACE

The Terrace College Open Day will be held on Wednesday 11 March from 4 - 7pm.

Campus tours will be available from College Hall at the Rogers Street entrance. All Welcome.

In addition, the Gregory Terrace Old Boy's Association is hosting a St Joseph's Day Lunch at The Marquee, Victoria Park Complex on Friday 20 March 2015, 12 noon for 12.30pm. All members of the Terrace community are warmly invited to attend.

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> | | | | |
| 7/8 Mar | Julie-Anne Gibson Graham Gibson | Andrew Douglas Anne-Marie Quinn | St Agatha's P26 Mass | Life Teen Mass |
| 14/15 Mar | Judy Bartels Paul Bartels | Nick Eden Dianne Eden | Heidi Cooper Michael Crutcher Eileen Duncan | Life Teen Mass |
| <u>COMMUNION MINISTERS</u> | | | | |
| 7/8 Mar | Marie Ho | Paulette Archer | Volunteer | Life Teen Mass |
| 14/15 Mar | Ann Goves | Blue Doyle | Michele Pink | 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> | | | | |
| 8 Mar | No Children's Liturgy - P26 Mass | | | |
| 15 Mar | Eleonora Kowitz | Julie McMahon | | |
| <u>ORGANISTS:</u> | | | | |
| 7/8 Mar | Volunteer | Mark Leung | Robyn Cuming/ Paul Fiumara | Life Teen Mass |
| 14/15 Mar | Robyn Cuming | Mark Leung | Jenny McKeon | Life Teen Mass |
| <u>SANCTUARY CARERS:</u> | | | | |
| 14 Mar | Santina Catalano | Maria Fistrovic | | |

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

MARCH

Wednesday 11

- * Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office

Thursday 12

- * RCIA 7pm Parish Office

Friday 13

- * Stations of the Cross 8.30am

Monday 16

- * SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

Tuesday 17

- * Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue:

- * Archbishop Coleridge and others in the Church say 'it's time for action' on domestic violence.
- * Man who had four limbs amputated joins his wife in sharing their inspirational story with Catholic professionals.
- * Emmanuel Community rejoicing over 40th anniversary.

Readings - Fourth Sunday of Lent - 15 March 2015 - (Year A readings)

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14;

Gospel: John 9:1-41