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ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Phone 3262 2859 E-mail clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au Web http://www.clayfieldparish.org.au Aggies Youth facebook.com/aggiesyouth Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD Mrs Rosemary Greer Mrs Jane Cameron 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



A Parish of the North East Deanery in pastoral association with Hamilton Hendra Northgate Nundah Banyo Wayell Heights Aspley Geebung Zillmere Bracken Ridge Sandgate and Brighton

Ms Harmony Domaille

Readings - Palm Sunday - 29 March 2015 1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7; 2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11; Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47



PASSION SUNDAY/PALM SUNDAY

Passion is an almost hijacked word in terms of meaning and associations. Exposed as we are in film to torrid love-making scenes and violent responses to wrong doing, we associate passion with intense and overwhelming emotion. The betrayed spouse slaying the unfaithful mate is accused of a crime of passion.

In these scenarios the one ensnared in the "passion" temporarily loses control and acts to avenge the hurt and outrage caused by the betrayal. When we come to this Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week we come face to face with Jesus' passion.

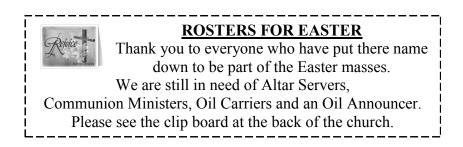
Different to a crime of passion or the passion of romance novels and films, the passion of Our Lord is not something that robs him of his freedom to act in full control of what he is doing. Yes it is true that from the time of his arrest in the garden of Gethsemane, through his trial, torture and execution he is a prisoner. But this imprisonment is only physical. As we listen to the reading of the passion from the different gospels, be alert to the self-possessed way Jesus is portrayed. No words of complaint about unfairness are placed on his lips. He acts not reacts in each situation regardless of who it is he is talking to.

Passion in Holy Week terms resonates with origin of the word: suffering and endurance. Comparison words are "patience", "patient" and "impatience" which speak of enduring circumstances often not of our choosing of suffering be it physical, mental or emotional.

As we walk with Our Lord this week do put yourselves literally in his shoes. What happened to him has happened to so many before him and after him. It happens now in our midst in sickness and suffering which befall us. Sometimes we know the reason, sometimes we don't. What our union with Christ allows us to do, is to "suffer" whatever it is but not be crushed because He is with us.

Wherever you celebrate Easter let it be a time of grace where you see more clearly God's mercy, the countless blessings you have and for which you did nothing to possess and the ways in which goodness can flow from you to others.

Fr Adrian Farrelly





WELCOME FR STEPHEN JEON

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 YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING Tuesday 7 April 7.00pm Parish Office

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ST AGATHA'S PARISH APP

"Our Parish is conducting trial on our own iPhone App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parish community. We are trialling the iPhone version for 30 days. If we continue with the App after the trial we will then get the Android version in the Google Play Store. We are asking all parishioners, parents and students to install our App.

To install it, just look for our parish name "St Agatha's Parish Clayfield" in the Apple App Store, and install it on your iPhone."



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

_____ PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE USERS PLEASE COLLECT YOUR NEW PACKET THIS WEEKEND

> -----**CONFIRMATION CEREMONY NIGHT** Tuesday 31 March - 5.00pm and 7.00pm

STANDARD LAMPS

We are looking for free standing lamps/lights for the Easter Vigil Mass. If you have any that we can use, please drop them off to the Church or Parish Office from Monday 30 March to Thursday 2 April. Please tag them with your name. They can be collected after the Easter Vigil,7am or 9am Masses. Alternatively they can be collected Tuesday 7 April from the Church.

TOWARDS HEALING INFORMATION A protocol for addressing complaints of abuse against

Catholic Church Personnel Brochures available at the back of the church. For more information on the Towards Healing process go to the Oueensland Professional website at: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au





A variety of EASTER CARDS **CONFIRMTION &**



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION **CARDS AND GIFTS**



LITTLE WHITE BOOKS (Easter) \$4.00 each

available for sale at the Piety Stall.

_____ **HOLY WEEK MASSES & CELEBRATION TIMES** (30 March - 6 April) Monday March 30 - 6.30am Mass Wednesday April 1 - 9.00am Mass Holy Thursday April 2 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper **Good Friday April 3** 10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion Holy Saturday April 4 - 7.00pm Easter Vigil Easter Sunday April 5 - 7.00am and 9.00am Mass Please Note: NO 5.30pm Mass Easter Monday April 6 - 6.30am Mass

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION 2015

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.3 million to this cause, despite tough economic times, natural disasters and increasing cost of living which put a strain on family budgets and financial resources. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land again on this Good Friday. Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the 'Prince of Peace'.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Peter Schreck, Bruce Johnson, George Strezlawski, Ann Campbell, Maurice Varricchio, Brayden Smith, Alan Lawrenson, Eileen Murphy, Paul Archer, Valma Jones, Patrick Wong, Damien Haire

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Lannah Sweeney, Reginald Shun Wah (Snr)

Those who are sick:

Deanne Du Bour, Melissa Waka, David King, 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, Robert Mutton

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY 3 APRIL. IT WILL REOPEN TUESDAY 7APRIL

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME GET CONNECTED

Join us for 6 sessions, "Catholics Returning Home", Mondays from 27 April 7.30 - 9pm at St Agatha's Catholic Church, 52 Oriel Rd, 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 ioin us with one of the **vellow** brochures.

Let's share the good news of our faith with others! More info: Phone 3262 2859 St Agatha's Parish Office.

> ST. AGATHA'S PARISH Catholics Returning Home Phone 3262 2859

LIVING BIBLICALLY IN A SECULAR WORLD - session 2 The Scriptures, though written 2000 years ago, offer in-sight 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. When: 7.15 - 9:00pm on Wednesday 15 April and thereafter the 3rd Wednesday of the Month until November. Where: Francis Rush Centre, 277 Elizabeth St. Brisbane Cathedral car park open from 7pm (entrance via Charlotte St.) Cost: Gold Coin Donation



PALM SUNDAY

To combat the variable weather patterns affecting farmers in Vinsen's village in Indonesia, a local community program supported by Caritas Australia, is teaching farmers how to terrace land and grow sustainable crops for life - regardless of the changing weather.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help farmers in remote West Timor grow sustainable crops for life, regardless of changing weather patterns.

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

PARISH SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE See "orange" form at church entrance



Date: Tuesday 7 April - Saturday 11 April 2015 Venue: James Byrne Centre, Toowoomba \$395 which includes accommodation and meals Cost: **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.



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WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 **INFORMATION NIGHTS**

If you're interested in going to World Youth Day 2016 in Poland, please go along to one of the information nights this April. Gold Coast: Friday 10 April 7 pm at Surfers Paradise Hospitality Centre Logan: Sunday 12 April 6:30 pm at St Maximillian Kolbe Parish Hall Brisbane City: Tuesday 14 April 7 pm at Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral Place For more information contact: wyd2016@bne.catholic.net.au

HAVE YOU RECENTLY MOVED? HAS YOUR PHONE NUMBER CHANGED? **EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGED?**

If you have answered yes to any of these questions, could you please contact the parish office, either by phone 3262 2859 or email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au, so that we can update our parish records. Thank you.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE (Easter 2015) is now available. Please take a copy home.

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| READERS | | | | | |
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| PLEASE NOTE: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil readings will be emailed to listed volunteers. | | | HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, EASTER VIGIL and EASTEF SUNDAY MASSES READERS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS as per volunteer sheets. | | |
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Reconciliation:

Saturday 5 pm - 5.30 pm Rosary: Before most masses

WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

| Mass: | Monday | 6.30 am | | |
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| Mass: | Wednesday | 9.00 am | | |
| Mass: | Thursday | 9.00 am | | |
| Mass: | Friday | 9.00 am | | |
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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 Monday 30 * SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office **Tuesday 31** * Confirmation Ceremonies 5.00pm & 7.00pm APRIL **Tuesday 7** * Youth Ministry Meeting 7.00pm Parish Office Wednesday 8 * Pastoral Council Meeting

7.00pm Parish Office

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00 In this week's issue:

* Church agencies and religious orders respond to domestic violence crisis.

* Education leaders back national campaign to end schoolyard and online bullying among students. * Mass with battered Port Vila community part of Caritas worker's bitter-sweet experience in Vanuatu after cyclone.

Readings - Sunday of the Resurrection - 5 April 2015 1st Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43; 2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4; Gospel: John 20:1-9