ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Administrator	Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD
Assistant Priest	Fr Stephen Jeon
Parish Secretary	Mrs Rosemary Greer
Administrative Assistant	Mrs Jane Cameron
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
Outside School Hours Care Coordinator	Ms 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 - Fifth Sunday of Easter - 3 May 2015
1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31; 2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24
Gospel: John 15:1-8

AT HOME

In a film I watched years ago and whose title escapes me a young boy about 4 or 5 asked his mother "what is death?" Children have a way of asking questions we dults can often skirt around because they have not yet learned or been told that there are some questions we do not ask. By the way, if you told a child ther are some questions we do not ask their only response would be "Why not?" So back to the mother on the spot to say something about death. To give her self some thinking time she made a cup tea then said: "You know when Dad and I go visiting friends we grown-ups talk and talk. You often fall asleep at our friends' home. When we leave our friends we take you home with us and when you wake up in the morning you are at home and in your own bed. I think death is something like that, waking up in your own bed at home."

I have made use of this story many times as I have preached at requiem masses and funeral ceremonies. It harmonises well with many of the words Jesus uses which can shed some light on life and death. Jesus speaks in words drawn from our experience of ordinary life events such as home life. There are many rooms in my Father's house has us thinking of a room with our name on it. In the gospel today he spotlights home when he tells us to make our home in him as he makes his home in us. He has acted first in making a home for himself in us. Somehow he is in us as his home and not just some kind of star boarder. If we ask him where he lives, his reply would simply be "In you."

To grasp the reality of this home making by him, we have our part to play in home-making. We are to make our home in him. He wants us to draw life from him in the way a branch draws life from the vine. Our homes are where we receive life, draw life and share life. With our family we are with those who by nature look out for us, care for us when we are sick, advise us when we seek direction, love us for no other reason than they are part of us. With them we are at home. This is what Jesus asks us to do with him. Come to know him so well, spend so much time with him at mass and in prayer that we can say He is my home. *Father Adrian Farrelly*

Caritas AUSTRALIA

Nepal Earthquake Appeal

Our prayers and thoughts are with the communities in Nepal, and neighbouring countries, devastated by a 7.9 magnitude earthquake on 25 April 2015. Caritas Australia staff are currently on the ground working with local partners to respond to immediate needs. We urgently need your help to provide food, shelter and clean water and to support the long-term recovery. Donate today by using the Special Appeal Envelope near the doors or donate online at **www.caritas.org.au/nepalearthquake**

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

Find us on Facebook facebook.com/aggiesyouth

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 Queensland Professional website at:
www.psoqld.catholic.net.au

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CARDS AND GIFTS

LITTLE WHITE BOOKS (Easter) $4.00 each

available for sale at the Piety Stall.

ST AGATHA'S PARISH BALL
Saturday 18 July 2015 - Moda Events Portside

Tickets now available for purchase on our website, www.clayfieldparish.org.au. Easy to follow instructions. Tickets $85.00. Tables of ten. Tickets sold quickly last time so book in early to avoid disappointment!!

ST AGATHA'S PARISH APP

Have you downloaded the parish app yet? It is now available for all devices. Fr Stephen is populating it with all the information we hope will be useful to you. As well as parish news and events we shall have links to the school and the arch-diocese.

Men of the Parish—Cursillo Weekend

Come alive in your faith through a weekend away 5-8 June [from Friday evening to Monday afternoon] at Peregian. This Cursillo Weekend has Father Adrian as Spiritual Director. Forms near door.

FIRST COMMUNION
31 May 9.00am and 11.00am
14 June 9.00am and 11.00am

Real care, love and compassion—the alternative to euthanasia.

A brochure has been prepared by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference to provide a clear explanation to Catholics of the grave issues associated with Euthanasia.
Brochures at Church door.

A VOCATION VIEW

vocation

What could convince someone to turn to God? That God became man and is the sacrifice that takes our sins away. Let us pray – Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us and set our hearts on fire with love when you speak.
Enable us to respond to the call to be witnesses of your love.
To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Brisbane.
3336 9392 E: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au

Thank you for all the lovely and tasty contributions we received for the Morning Tea after the Anzac Day Mass.. Greatly appreciated and enjoyed by all.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend for married couples
15 May – 17 May 2015
Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston (QLD)
For bookings/details contact: Maria and David Murphy
ph (07) 3342 1456, **dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au**

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

The Archbishop has approved the new Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. Training in this policy is mandatory and part of our strategy for educating and reducing risk for all people, our volunteers as well as those whom we serve. All parishioners who work with or have contact with children, young people or vulnerable adults are invited to attend training in this policy and the associated procedures.

Another opportunity to undertake training will be offered on **Friday 22 May**, at **9:30 – 12:30pm** at **Nolan Hall,**

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently :

Jim See, Margaret Hollingworth, Dorothy Hall, Geoffrey Perry, Nancy Kerlin, ,

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Baisl Taylor, Lynette Grills, Michelle Edgecombe, Herb Gosley, Irene Hogan, Theresa Vieira, Lila Russell, Ivy, May & Martin Lehfeldt, Aldren Sharma, Cecilia Sharma, Denise Hussein, E A Hussein, Dhiren Sharma, Hirem Sharma, Tara Bai, R K Sharma, Ben Wilson, Edward Zaynal, Mark Hussein, Sheraz Hussein, Elizabeth Cecilia Bos

Those who are sick:

Regina Hwan, Val Boevinlic, 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, Matthew Gray, Frank Wilkie, Don Martin, Patrick Gallagher, Rene Quinn, Eileen Clarke, Sandra McGregor, Rob Bruce, Mel Purwo, Kath Delahunty, Hellen Passente, Philomena L'Hiullier, .

Pentecost Celebrations 24 May—7.30 p m St Mary Magdalene Church, Cecil Road, Bardon. Guest speaker Fr Ken Barker, Missionaries of God's Love. Fr Ken is an inspirational speaker who has authored seven books

Celebrating and sharing stories of **'GOOD WOMEN'**
Venue: Lourdes Hill College , 86 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne
Wednesday 6 May 2015 at 7.00pm $20.00 at the door or charitydos.com.au/?eventid=8564. Carol: 0408 735 720
Email: womensforumbrisbane@gmail.com for information on guest speakers and entertainment for the evening.

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

Townsville St Patrick's College
Past Pupils Association, Brisbane Branch, Annual Mass

Saturday 23 May 2015 at St Stephen's Cathedral at 11.30am followed by High Tea.
Enquiries: Barbara 3396 6641, Monica 3341 9197 or Web site www.spcpp.net. Past pupils & staff welcome.

A new initiative from menALIVE is "menALIVE In the City" held regularly from 5.45 until 7.30pm in the Francis Rush Centre (Beside The Cathedral of St Stephen). The next event is on Thursday 28th May with the topic: FACE THE TOUGH STUFF! Dealing with grief and sadness. This is a great opportunity for men to get together and explore the things that matter. For further information contact menALIVE on 3367 1402 or mail@menalive.org.au

The next menALIVE Catholic Man Breakfast, hosted by Archbishop Mark Coleridge, is on Thursday May 28th from 7am to 9am at Tattersall's Club, 215 Queen St. Hear Professor Greg Craven, Vice-Chancellor of ACU tell his story of "Children, Cows and Catholicism". Tickets $45. Bookings to des@menalive.org.au or contact menALIVE on 3367 1402 or cmbs@menalive.org.au

ILLUMI RUN Saturday 16 May Brisbane Showgrounds 4:30pm

Illumi Run (a youth based event) will be held in Brisbane in May this year. The Illumi Run is an international event and the Brisbane run will mark it's launch into Australia. This is a night time run where participants are covered in glow paint and get to travel through awesomely themed zones to complete the course and finish with a party!
Please visit http://illumirun.com/au/ for more information and registration on this event which is set to light up the night.
There is also a charity component to the event where runners can choose to raise money for our charity partner – The McGrath Foundation. Alternately, participants in the Illumi Run can choose to raise money for their own cause which may be close to their heart. Runners can even set up their own fundraising page for their chosen cause and get friends and family onboard to sponsor them. We will also be donating $5 from each ticket sold to the McGrath Foundation. This will be a really fun event and we believe your young people would love it. The event is open to people aged 10yrs and older , however, all children aged under 15 at the time of the event must be accompanied by an adult.

HOLY SPIRIT HOME CARSELDINE currently has available a 2 bed 1 bath villa with auto remote garage for $362,250.00 and a 2 bed 2 bath with study 2nd floor apartment for $468,000.00. For further details or to arrange a time to view please phone Kellie Rainbow Retirement Living Coordinator on 3263 0300 or email krainbow@holyspirit.com.au . See Notice Board for further details.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
READERS				
2/3 May	**Ann Goves** **Ryan Smethurst**	**Kirsty Stevens** **Jeanine Bygott**	**Michael Crutcher** **Eileen Duncan** **Tim Hancock**	**Life Teen Mass**
9/10 May	**Annette Riba** **Marie Ho**	**Mark Burton** **Blue Doyle**	**St Agatha's P26 Mass**	**Life Teen Mass**
COMMUNION MINISTERS				
2/3 May	**Trish Hickey**	**Michele Pink**	**Erin Bledsoe**	**Life Teen Mass**
9/10 May	**Eddie Foley**	**Helen Roberts**	**Michele Pink (P26 Mass)**	**Life Teen Mass**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - Prep to Grade 4 children are encouraged to participate.

Please note: any younger siblings need to be accompanied by an adult.

3 May	**Jane Cameron**	**Katrina Murphy**
10 May	**P26 Mass**	

ORGANISTS:				
2/3 May	**Robyn Cuming**	**Mark Leung**	**Jenny McKeon**	**Life Teen Mass**
9/10 May		**Mark Leung**	**Robyn Cuming/ Paul Fiumara**	**Life Teen Mass**

SANCTUARY CARERS:		
2 May	**Victor Podesta**	**Jane Lynn**
9 May	**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

MAY

Monday 4:
* Catholics Returning Home 7.30pm—Parish Office

Tuesday 5:
* Youth Ministry Meeting 7 pm Parish Office

Friday 8:
* Library Committee Meeting 2.30 pm

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - $2.00

In this week's issue:

* Catholic groups rally to help Nepal in wake of devastating earthquake
* Hope grows for mother and autistic son facing deportation
* Christians called to fight capital punishment and injustice
* Future priests share a meal with Brisbane archbishop
* Church today is church of martyrs, says Pope Francis

PLUS: A regional focus on Townsville Diocese.

Readings - Sixth Sunday of Easter - 10 May 2015
1st Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 2nd Reading: 1 John 4:7-10
Gospel: John 15:9-17