



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.

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Administrator

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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 - 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



GOD DOES NOT HAVE FAVOURITES

For some people God not having favourites is a complete turn-off. They want to be the favourites. They want favoured treatment. They want to be recognized. They want to be upgraded on every flight they board. They want the best seat in the theatre and the restaurant. They want to be ushered through customs top of the line. If they were Pope they would live in the papal apartments, none of this living in a unit in an apartment block.

If I am not receiving privileged treatment that no one else receives then why should I put myself out in any way? If I am not being paid at a higher level than anyone else why should I worry about the quality of the work I do.

These thoughts have us in a universe that is ego-centric: I am at the centre in the way the sun is the centre of our solar system. Everything in the system is to revolve around me and all acclaim is to be given to me. If it is not given to me then my output if any will be very meagre indeed.

Thinking of the sun and desiring to be the favoured one of God in preference to all others is a good starting point for reflection and the chance to wean ourselves off this desire if it has taken some hold on us.

The sun shines and brings us light and warmth. The light and the warmth comes to us if we are standing in a paddock all alone. If we are joined by a friend the light and warmth still comes but now it comes to both of us. There is no drop in intensity of light and warmth because I am not alone. If we are then joined by a thousand people, once again there is light and warmth for each of them as there was for me when I was there on my own. I can see clearly because of the light and I am no longer cold because there is warmth aplenty.

The starting point for our ascendancy from selfishness and greed to selflessness and generosity, from the destructiveness of beastly behaviour to the creativity of human behaviour, is our acceptance that God loves us first. We do not start with our love for God. That comes as a response to our first being loved.

We can bring light and warmth to others because we have first received light and warmth. Just as standing in the paddock with a great crowd saw no diminishment in the light or warmth we received because there were many, so too God's love is not depleted by there being many of us who are loved and cared for. God's love can never be exhausted. There will come a time when our sun dies and its light and warmth will be no more. But there will never be a time when God dies and the divine light and warmth will be no more. Bask in God's love and commit yourself to sharing it with all you meet. The fact you are not the only one loved like this makes not a scrap of difference to what you can share.

Father Adrian Farrelly

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 on the seats or donate online at

www.caritas.org.au/nepal-earthquake



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



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 YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM



Find us on
Facebook

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



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 archdiocese.

ST RITA'S COLLEGE CONCERT

St Rita's College would like to invite the St Agatha's community to an evening of choral and woodwind music. The concert will be held in St Agatha's Church on Thursday 14 May, 6:30pm finishing at approximately 7:30pm. Featuring the three choirs of St Rita's as well as the Clarinet and Flute Ensembles, the concert will make use of the beautiful acoustics of the church.

Entry fee - gold coin donation

Everyone is most welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION

31 May 9.00am and 11.00am

14 June 9.00am and 11.00am

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!!

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 Peregrin. This Cursillo weekend has Father Adrian as Spiritual Director. Forms near door.



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.

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, St Joseph's Primary School, Nundah**. Car parking is available in 65 Bage Street and Nolan Hall is accessible from here. Please advise the parish office 3262 2859 if you can attend this workshop.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Jim See

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Peter Zuino, Andrew Collier, Ross McKenzie, Basil Taylor, Lynette Grills,

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 - 7.30pm
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.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME GET CONNECTED

The next "Catholics Returning Home", will be held on
Monday 11 May 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

St Stephen's Cathedral Concert Series presents its first
concert for 2015 in a program entitled *America Sings*
performed by the Pennsylvania State University Concert
Choir supported by Brisbane Concert Choir on Sunday
May 17 at 4.30 pm. Admission is \$30 (adults) and \$25
(concession). The Cathedral is located at 249 Elizabeth
Street, and concert goers may use the Cathedral car park
from 3.30 (entrance from Charlotte Street).
Information: www.ststephensmusic.com or
phone 3720 0514. Online booking is available.

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 28 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 28 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.

CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATION

Eucharistic Procession, Rosary, Prayers and Benediction
SUNDAY 7 June 2.00pm Ambrose Treacy College
Twigg Street, Indooroopilly
Bus leaving from St Agatha's Church - time to be advised
Bus fares: \$5.00 return or \$15 per family return.
Phone Joan 3262 1472 (or call in and see her at the Piety
Stall) for details and booking.

IGNITE CONFERENCE 2015: "ONE"

24-27 September 2015 / Mueller Performing Arts Centre, Rothwell (Redcliffe)

The Ignite Conference is a national contemporary Catholic youth conference held annually in Brisbane for adults, high schoolers and children. The conference includes live bands and some of Australia's leading Catholic speakers with sessions on topics such as leadership, justice, creative arts, mission, culture and prayer.

Keynote speakers this year include Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Bishop Peter Comensoli, Steve Allgeyer and Stephen Lenahan (Life Teen USA), Sr Anastasia Reeves OP, Fr Bony Abraham MGL, Patrick Keady, NET Ministries and more, plus music led by emmanuel worship.

Brochures available on table at the back of the church or contact the Ignite Youth office on 3217 5199,
email info@igniteconference.com.au.

Full information, videos and registration online at www.igniteconference.com.au

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.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm 7.00am 9.00am 5.30pm

READERS

9/10 May	Annette Riba Marie Ho	Mark Burton Blue Doyle	St Agatha's P26 Mass	Life Teen Mass
16/17 May	Eric van der List Phil Zammit	Andrew Douglas Chanelle White	Peter Gilroy Leanne O'Shea Peter Ryan	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

9/10 May	Eddie Foley	Helen Roberts	Erin Bledsoe (P26 Mass)	Life Teen Mass
16/17 May	Jan Zammit	Paulette Archer	Dorothy McSweeney	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.

10 May	No Children's Liturgy - P26 Mass			
17 May	Julie Kordic	Ewa Marino-Cebulski		

ORGANISTS:

9/10 May		Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming/ Paul Fiumara	Life Teen Mass
16/17 May	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung	Catriona McPherson	Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

16 May	Beverley O'Brien
30 May	Santina Catalano

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 11**
* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office
- Monday 11**
* Catholics Returning Home 7.30pm - Parish Office
- Wednesday 13**
* Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office
- Monday 18**
* First Communion Workshops 3.30pm & 5.30pm in APAC.
- Tuesday 19**
* Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue:

- * Parish 'stunned and saddened' by loss of five lives in flash floods in Caboolture region.
- * Bishop's pastoral letter focuses on the dignity of work in today's Australia.

Readings - The Ascension of the Lord - 17 May 2015
1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Mark 16:15-20