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# **ST AGATHA'S PARISH**

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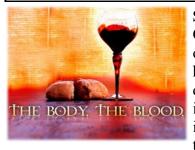
Phone 3262 2859 E-mail clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au http://www.clayfieldparish.org.au Web Aggies Youth facebook.com/aggiesyouth Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly KCHS JCD Fr Stephen Jeon Mrs Rosemary Greer Mrs Jane Cameron Monday - Friday: 8.00 am to 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm to 4.30pm Please note Office is closed 12.30 - 1.30pm. Mrs Carol Sayers **APRE**: Mr Nick Fogarty **Outside School Hours Care Coordinator** Ms Harmony Domaille



PARISH BALL Saturday 18 July Moda Events Portside

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 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) - 7June 2015 1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15 Gospel: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26



#### SHOCKING WORDS, REMARKABLE TRUTH

One Sabbath morning, earlier on in his ministry, in the synagogue in Capernaum on the shores of the sea of Galilee, Jesus dropped a bombshell on those listening to him. After talking about the bread of life and its importance he said that if people did not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood they would not have life in themselves... "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I live in them" (Jn 6,56). St John comments that many of his followers grumbled that the teaching was too hard and unacceptable and left him. As he watched them walk

out of the synagogue, Jesus even asked the twelve if they wanted to quit too. Peter, speaking for them all, said "Lord, to whom shall we go, you have the words that give eternal life" (Jn 6,68).

It was a good response but it was not an answer to Jesus' question. Peter and the others may well have wanted to leave because the language was shocking if not revolting. Talk of eating flesh and drinking blood is still revolting even these days, it has people thinking of zombies and vampires and movies that have such practices as part of the story line to increase the horror value.

Jesus was not talking about that. At the last supper he made it clear what he was talking about. On that night before he was killed, in the context of a transformed Passover meal he gave his followers what they would call the Eucharist. This group was not composed of zombies and vampires but of men and women in love with Jesus who willingly gave his life so all could come fully alive. To sustain them and keep them close to him he gave them himself in what we call "sacramental" form. Our gifts of bread and wine, through the action of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's body and blood so that we can take him into ourselves and be transformed by what we eat.

We know that the food we eat can change us for good and for ill. We want to nourish our bodies with the best food and here what we receive in Holy Communion is the best. We want our blood to be free of diseases so to have the blood of the Lord coursing through our veins has us living regenerated lives. In this way, we do live in him and he in us.

This is what today's feast celebrates. As St Peter said "Lord, to whom shall we go?" Accepting what Jesus says and commands is not always easy. He has a way of upturning our worlds or our way of looking at the world. But the end result of being capsized is life eternal. Receive Our Lord in Holy Communion and go out with him to change your world.

# 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

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.

roster in main church foyer. Please note: <u>Costs incurred are reimbursed</u> with the presentation of dockets to the parish office. See notice board for menu suggestions. Enquiries to the parish office on 3262 2859



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WINTER APPEAL The St Agatha's SVDP is conducting its Winter Appeal. The Conference visits people in a large area from Pinkenba to Bowen Hills, assisting families and single people, seeking food, clothing, and financial assistance. Any donations will be gratefully appreciated. Please use the envelopes provided on the church seats.

If paying by cheque, please make payable to the "St Agatha's Clayfield SVDP Conference". Thank you on behalf of the people that SVDP assist.

ST AGATHA'S PARISH BALL Saturday 18 July 2015 - Moda Events Portside Portside Wharf, Level 2/39 Hercules Street, Hamilton 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

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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.



CARDS and HOLY GIFTS ON SALE NOW from PIETY STALL for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and other occasions.

**END OF FINANCIAL YEAR is nigh!** All donations to the National Trust Conservation Appeal are 100% tax deductible. Donation forms near front door.

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## ST AGATHA'S PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Beginning next year, 2016, there is a new program for preparation and celebration of the sacraments.

Year 3 children or older will prepare and celebrate Confirmation in 2016. That group will make their First Holy Communion in 2017. In 2018 they will celebrate Reconciliation.

ENROLMENT WEEKEND FOR ALL 3 SACRAMENTS WILL BE 6/7 FEBRUARY 2016 AT ANY OF THE MASSES.

**NB:** There will be no preparation for and celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for Year 2 children in 2015.

This preparation and celebration will be when they are in grade 5 after they have been confirmed (2016) and made their first Holy Communion (2017).

The 2016 preparation timetable and enrolment forms will be on our website from November 2015. www.clayfieldparish.org.au or contact the parish office on 3262 2859

## ST RITA'S COLLEGE CARNIVAL

St Rita's College, Clayfield welcomes parishioners to join them on Sunday 26 July (10.00am - 3.00pm) for their Carnival. Along with the traditional favourites of cakes, sweets, crafts, Devonshire tea and more, there is an array of adventure and food for all ages to enjoy. There are even rides for the little ones. Come and enjoy a spectacular day at St Rita's. Help Needed: Please let us know if you can donate a baked item – cakes, biscuits, slices etc, or toffee, fudge, sweets of any kind for our Cake and Sweet Stalls. Budding Masterchef creations are very welcome as is good old-fashion home cooking. The Craft Stall is

also a popular stop for young machine. Please let us know if you can help. Even if it is just one item you can donate.

Please email Anna Roberts at: aroberts@stritas.gld.edu.au or call Anna on 3862 1615.

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## In our prayers we remember

#### Those who have died recently :

Marinel Mangahas, Mary Gaffney, Kylie McLaughlin

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Cecily Dobson, Carmelina Larosa, Gloria McKenzie

#### Those who are sick:

Alexandra Barlow, Joshua Statis, Maria Da Grava, Gerald McCrossan, Joyce Rodgers, Carmel See, 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.

FIRST COMMUNION 14 June - 9.00am and 11.00am

MenALIVE MAX 15 "REBUILD" weekend 17-19 July 2015 St Leo's Catholic College University of Queensland Campus Brisbane To register: www.menalive.org.au

#### MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE 75<sup>th</sup> JUBILEE DINNER

All parents, past parents and Old Boys are cordially invited to attend this dinner at Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre on Saturday 1 August 2015. Visit our website, <u>www.marash.qld.edu.au</u> for details or contact Kay Wells (3858 4586) or <u>wellsk@marash.qld.edu.au</u> for further information.

## THE TERRACE LADIES GROUP

warmly invites you to join them for the **Terrace Past Mothers' Mass and Gathering** Sunday 14 June - Mass at 10.00am in the Chapel of the Holy Family, followed by High Tea - \$20/head For bookings: www.terrace.qld.edu.au (College Events) Bookings close Wednesday 10 June. For more information contact Chris Watt chriswatt68@gmail.com or 0408 888129

# R&R (REPERTOIRE & RENEWAL) DAY

for all parish and school liturgical musicians Saturday 25 July 9.30am – 3.00pm O'Shea In-service Centre, 19 Lovedale Street, Wilston Registration no later than Monday 20 July. \$40/person - BYO lunch Please see registration form on table at back of church. The President of LHCPPA cordially invites all Past Pupils who attended Lourdes Hill from 1916-1958, to attend a High Tea in Good Samaritan Centre. On Tuesday 23 June 2015 10.00am to 12.30pm / Cost: \$20 Payment by cheque to LHCPPA -PO Box 643 Coorparoo 4151 Bookings Essential - RSVP by 18 June 2015 Marilyn Loth 0422854737 or Loreto Lotz email

rclvlotz@gmail.com. Carers Welcome

**EVER WANTED TO WALK THE CAMINO?** On Thursday, June 11, the Regal Twin Boutique Cinema (381 Honour Ave, Graceville) will host a special screening of a new documentary "Walking the Camino" on Spain's world-famous Camino de Santiago. This 1200-year-old route has attracted millions of people from all around the world, as they set out to embark on an epic 500-mile pilgrimage famous for its profoundly enlightening, spiritually nourishing,

and physically challenging rewards. This evening will be a fundraiser for Catholic Mission and cost \$30 for adults, \$20 for children and \$15 for pensioners/ seniors. (This includes your ticket and a small donation to our work). To book or for further information, please

call our office during business hours on 3336 9239.



BOOK NOW AS SEATS ARE LIMITED!

LAUNCH FOR FRANK BRENNAN SJ'S LATEST BOOK Fr Frank Brennan will host the local launch of his latest book "Amplifying that still, small voice" (paperback) on Thursday 11 June at 7.30pm in the Horstmann Room (St Ignatius Parish Office), 30 Kensington Terrace, Toowong. This collection of essays brings together some of his major

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#### 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



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	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
<b>READERS</b>	•			•
6/7 June	<b>Paul Bartels</b>	Mary Kelaher	Tanya Mulcahy	Life Teen Mass
	Judy Bartels	Aleira Egan	Katrina Murphy Wilma O'Connell	
13/14 June	Ryan Smethurst	Sr Cecily Foster	1st Holy Communion	Life Teen Mass
	Ann Goves	Anne O'Connor	·	
COMMUNION I	MINISTERS			
6/7 June	Trish Hickey	Volunteer	Volunteer	Life Teen Mass
13/14 June	Eddie Foley	<b>Helen Roberts</b>	<b>Anthony Carroll</b>	Life Teen Mass
CHILDREN'S L	ITURGY OF THE WO	<u>RD</u> - Prep to Grade 4 child	ren are encouraged to partic	ipate.
	Please note:	any younger siblings need	to be accompanied by an adu	lt.
7 June	Eleonora Kowitz	Cowitz Julie McMahon		
14 June	No Children's Liturgy - First Communion			
ORGANISTS:				
6/7 June	Volunteer	Mark Leung	Jenny McKeon	Life Teen Mass
13/14 June	Volunteer	Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming/ Paul Fiumara 9a	Life Teen Mass m
		Catriona McPherson 11am		
SANCTUARY C	ARERS:			
20 June	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	Ĩ		
		9.00 am	,		
		5.30 pm			
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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 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

<u>For bookings</u> 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.



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

#### JUNE Wednesday 10 & Thursday 11 \* First Communion Practices 3.30pm Church Wednesday 10 \* Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office Sunday 14 \* First Communion Celebrations 9am & 11am Monday 15 \* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

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

\* Pope Francis offers advice to engaged couples.

\* Fr Anthony Ekpo says he will carry the people of Brisbane archdiocese in his heart as he heads off to study in Rome.

\* Parents of St Benedict's "little miracles" tell the Mater story of their twins' survival.

Readings - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 14 June 2015 1st Reading: Exekiel 17:22-24; 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Gospel: Mark 4:26-34