



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Parish Office Hours

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.

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 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 26 July 2015

1st Reading: 2 King 4:42-44; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6;

Gospel: John 6:1-15



A NEW PARISH PRIEST FOR ST AGATHA'S

The bishops of Queensland have asked me to be the vice-rector at the seminary. I have agreed to take up the new appointment and shall begin in January 2016.

This request came completely out of the blue. I had never thought of being part of the formation of those discerning the call to be priests. We have, as you all know, had a number of men in their final years of priestly formation live and work in the parish and enjoyed helping them. I gave no thought to the idea that this work may indicate I could be useful at the seminary. However, that is what has happened.

I made the decision to resign from caring for the parish as the care of the parish community demands more attention than I would be able to give while learning the new role at the seminary.

News of my appointment at the seminary goes public on 1 August. At that time the Archbishop will advise the priests that I am resigning as administrator and will call for expressions of interest from priests who may wish to minister here at St Agatha's.

My last weekend will be October 31/November 1. All going well we should know then who will be my successor.

I have been here seventeen and a half years. My first mass was Anzac Day 1998. I love working in parishes and shall miss all of you here. We shall have farewell functions but that is yet to be organised. And no, I do not know who will replace me!

FEEDING MULTITUDES

Caring for our common home is the title Pope Francis gave to his latest letter. This planet on which we live is our common home and the desire of the Pope and all people of good will is that all will feel at home in this "common home".

Home conjures in our minds safety, shelter and nourishment for both body and soul. The fact that so many are born into situations of poverty and hungry is a scandal and a sin. Money is squandered on arms and feathering the nests of those in power rather than education, health and food. Rather than address creatively and courageously the production and distribution of food critics rail at those in developing countries and their desire to have children to care for and in time care for them. Limiting numbers of children born is the only way to alleviate hunger!

The prophet Elisha, successor to the end of time prophet Elijah, feeds many from little. Jesus likewise does the same. Few of us have gone hungry from circumstances over which we have no control. Food is plentifully available. What the Lord calls each of us to do is to respond generously to those who are deprived of what we enjoy so abundantly. Next Sunday is Mission Sunday and with what we give nourishment can be given to many. Other appeals exist and we are asked to respond generously to those as well. Choose what you can do and open your credit card and your heart so that those living on the edge can rejoice in the love you have for them.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

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



NEXT WEEKEND 1/2 AUGUST OUR PARISH WILL CONDUCT THE ANNUAL PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL



There is a line in this weekend's Gospel that is quite striking, against the backdrop of this year's Propagation of the Faith Appeal, conducted by Catholic Mission. At one point, after the crowd has eaten, Jesus instructs the disciples to "Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted." It is a lesson in abundance but also in frugality, a reminder that we live in a world where we have plenty, while others go without. And this appeal reminds us that it is not just food that others lack; in countries like Madagascar, the challenge is a lack of proper sanitation and drinking water. This Gospel, as with the appeal, asks us to look at the world through the eyes of Christ.

Missionaries like Sr Rose are helping build Christ's Kingdom, by raising the poor up, casting the might down from their thrones and sending away those who will not share.

Thank you, in anticipation, for your generosity.

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.



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With great joy we welcome
**Jake Box, Bella Emery, Stella Murphy,
Claudia Schaumberg and Stella Schaumberg**
who will be baptised this Sunday.

ALTAR SERVING TRAINING

Fr Stephen will be running an Altar serving training session on Friday 7 August at 3.30pm in the Church for those children who are interested. 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.

ST AGATHA'S SVDP 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 at the back of the church. If paying by cheque, please make payable to the "St Agatha's Clayfield SVDP Conference".

NET MINISTRIES PARISH ENCOUNTER DAY / SUNDAY 23 AUGUST



WHO AM I ?

Dealing with issues of self-worth, personal confidence and acceptance is common among all people. The "Self Image" Encounter Day helps young people come to a greater awareness of their goodness and uniqueness as God's sons and daughters. The day will be filled with energy, thought provoking discussion and opportunities to explore this topic.

If you are in grades 6,7,8 or 9 please come along!

AT: Presentation Centre, St Agatha's Primary School

TIME: 10am to 1.00pm / LUNCH INCLUDED / COST: FREE

Register at : <https://www.stickytickets.com.au/24986> OR use forms available on table in church foyer.

CHECK OUT Aggies Youth: facebook.com/aggiesyouth

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, 8 years old or older will prepare and celebrate Confirmation in 2016.

That group will prepare and receive their First Holy Communion in 2017.

In 2018 they will prepare and 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

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Fr Gregory Jordan, Tom Meates, Mal Condon, Pamela McBride, Judith McGeary, Alf Kamols, Fr John Clancy, Gertie Clarke, Terry Tierney, Kosa Saric

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Santo & Giuseppa Catalano, Emily Sherman, Lionel Orr, Edna Taylor, Ray Hall, Mona Moynihan

Those who are sick:

Paul White, Edward Clark, Cajetan Goves, Alexandra Barlow, Joshua Statis, Maria Da Grava, 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, 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,



YOUTH AND VOCATIONS EXPO

The annual Youth and Vocations Expo will be held at St Stephen's Cathedral, 249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane, on Sunday 2 August, starting with Young Adults Mass at 12pm to be celebrated by The Most Reverend Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Hosted by St Stephen's Cathedral Young Adults Ministry and Vocation Brisbane, the Expo will have a wide variety of display stalls attended by around 30 Catholic ministries and organisations. The afternoon will be filled with live music, food, games, guest speakers and multicultural performances, all dedicated towards immersing and educating young adults in vocation discernment: whether it be Priesthood, Religious Life, Marriage or Single Blessedness. All welcome.

VOCATIONS NOVENA (V9) PRAYER CAMPAIGN 2015

NINE WEEKS OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

14 June - 9 August 2015

Please keep Vocations in your prayers over these weeks with these words.....

At the sight of the crowds Jesus' heart was moved

For they were like sheep without a shepherd

Jesus said, "The harvest is ready"

"But the labourers are few"

Ask the Lord to send out labourers for harvest.

O Lord we pray that young men will answer the call to become priests in Your harvest

And shepherds for your people. Amen.



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday 15 August

Mass at 9.00am

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.



BISHOP MICHAEL PUTNEY MEMORIAL LECTURE

You are invited to the Second Annual Bishop Michael Putney Memorial Lecture on Friday 31 July at 7:30pm at the St Colomb's Ministry Centre, 25 Victoria Street Clayfield.

Rev Dr Ray Williamson, of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Canberra will speak on

Forming the Ecumenical Mind:

Being Church in a Polarised World

Cost \$10 (payable at door) includes a light supper

RSVP by 27 July to Jela Virzi on 3369 6792 or

admin@qct.org.au

POSITION VACANT

Boutique Coordinator, St Rita's College

St Rita's College has available the part time position of Boutique Coordinator. Previous retail and/or merchandising experience is beneficial. Please log onto the St Rita's College website and go to Our Community/Employment for full details.

<http://www.stritas.qld.edu.au/contact/Pages/Employment.aspx>

SOLEMNITY OF

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

On Saturday 8 August 2015,

His Excellency Archbishop Adolfo Tito Yllana, Apostolic Nuncio to Australia will celebrate the 10am Mass at the Cathedral of St Stephen for the Feast Day of our Archdiocesan Patron, Saint Mary MacKillop.

Morning tea is available after the Mass.

RSVP: by 29 July to rsvp@bne.catholic.net.au

Early arrival for any parishioners who wish to attend would be advisable.

AUSTRALIAN HOMESTAY NETWORK

If your family is registered with the Australian Homestay Network, could you please contact the Parish Office 3262 2859.

Thank you.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS

25/26 July

Marie Ho
Marian Nolan

Dianne Eden
Nick Eden

Ryan Smethurst
Wilma O'Connell
Peter Ryan

Life Teen Mass

1/2 Aug

Ryan Smethurst
Ann Goves

Aleira Egan
Sr Cecily Foster

Trish Ryan
Jane Arkinstall
Heidi Cooper

Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

25/26 July

Jan Zammit

Lorraine Atkinson-MacEwen

Erin Bledsoe

Life Teen Mass

1/2 Aug

Marie Ho

Paulette Archer

Michele Pink

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.

26 July

Jane Cameron

Erin Bledsoe

2 Aug

Monica McBride

Mel Ryan

ORGANISTS:

25/26 July

Volunteer

Mark Leung

Robyn Cuming

Life Teen Mass

1/2 Aug

Robyn Cuming

Mark Leung

Catriona McPherson

Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

1 Aug

Victor Podesta

Jane Lynn

8 Aug

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

JULY

Monday 27
* SVDP Meeting 5pm
Parish Office

AUGUST

Tuesday 4
* Youth Ministry Meeting 7pm
Parish Office

Sunday 9
* P26 Mass 9am

Saturday 15 & Sunday 16
* Visit from Fr Sholto Douglas
OMI

Wednesday 19
* Pastoral Council Meeting
7pm Parish Office

Sunday 23
* Net Ministries Parish
Encounter Day 10am to 1pm.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER
COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue

- * Brisbane food outlet offers free soup for homeless people.
- * Tributes flow for Jesuit Father Gregory Jordan following his death in Brisbane.

Readings - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 2 August 2015

1st Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24;

Gospel: John 6:24-25