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# 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. APRE: Mr Nick Fogarty Mrs Carol Sayers **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 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 30 August 2015 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; 2nd Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



#### DISTURBED PERSONS AND FREEDOM OF CHOICE

Two news articles are fresh in my mind as I write. There is the killing of the TV news people in the US by a former station colleague. There is a stabbing of a man in a school car park at pick up time.

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NEXT WEEKEND

5/6 SEPTEMBER

The gospel today from St Mark records Our Lord teaching that evil comes out of our hearts. He was being chipped by some of the religious leaders of his day over his disciples not observing all the rituals required for ritual cleanness. This is ritual uncleanness not moral uncleanness. Rather than answer their question about the disciples Jesus moved into another time of teaching.

What strikes me in the two incidents is the planning involved. The gunman chooses his weapon and checks the time the colleagues are going to be out or perhaps follows them from the station. He brings a camera to record what he is doing.

The car park fight sees one man putting a knife in his pocket before going out. He is prepared to use it and does use it.

Whatever mitigating circumstances may have existed in either incident we are seeing people freely choosing to let the evil they have in their heart to become real in the world. As a result comes death and injury, tragedy and sorrow. This is what Our Lord was talking about. Evil of this kind, the fruit of human hands, does not happen without our cooperation. Sin is never something that happens by accident. There has to be deliberate intent and whatever is done, done freely. That is what sin is.

God entered into a covenant with Moses and the chosen people and their side of the agreement was to obey the law that Moses had received from God. Faithfully observing what was in the law was the way each member of the people ratified the agreement. As they fulfilled each precept they remembered that God had taken them from slavery in Egypt and allowed them to be free to choose their own destiny.

We too are free to choose our own destiny. Sin robs us of the freedom God wants us to have to able to do good. We willingly return to slavery and turn our backs on God.

Recognise what is stirring in your heart. Recognise the evil that you are capable of and to prevent it taking shape set your own heart close to the Lord's heart that carries a wound that allows his life-giving love to come to us.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

#### RCIA INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday 10 September at 7.00pm - Parish Office.

This is for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic.

# 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

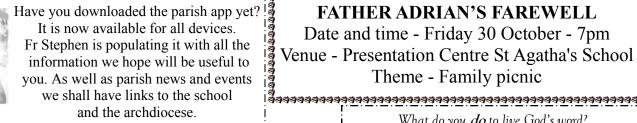
### ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM **NEXT MEETING**

1 September - 7pm Parish Office If you have any questions or ideas please contact Anne O'Connor on 3256 6013 or 0419 796 988.

#### AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE

(Spring 2015) is now available. Please take a copy home.

#### ST AGATHA'S PARISH APP



### LAUNCH OF THE THIRD EDITION OF THE **SACRAMENTAL POLICY** of the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites Sacramental Families to join him for the launch of the third edition of the Sacramental Policy.

Sunday 13 September (2.00pm-3.00pm) Holy Spirit School, 16 Villiers Street, New Farm BBQ & Fun Family Activities

If you are interested in attending (children also invited), please call the parish office by Friday 4 September. This invitation is for families whose children will be commencing the 2016 Sacramental Programme.

# Your gifts can make a real difference ...

# Support your priests – from formation to retirement



Your donations enable Holy **Spirit Seminary** 

to provide quality formation for men who respond to God's call to the priesthood.

Please support the Seminary as they train and guide these men who will serve your parishes in the future.

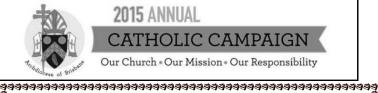


The Priests Foundation provides

accommodation and medical care for our retired priests. "Your support of priests in sickness, ageing and disability deserves great praise," - Bishop Gerry, retired now for 12 years.

# ... to the lives of real people!

Thank you for supporting priests visit www.catholiccampaign.com.au or call 07 3324 3200



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# **DATE CLAIMER** FATHER ADRIAN'S FAREWELL

Date and time - Friday 30 October - 7pm Venue - Presentation Centre St Agatha's School Theme - Family picnic

> What do you **do** to live God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

We are seeking volunteer/s to take on the responsibility of the flower arrangements in the Church. For further details contact the Parish Office.

**NB:** Flower arrangements are only required for 5-6 occasions during the year. No experience necessary.

#### ST AGATHA'S PARISH JUNIOR CHOIR

We are seeking interest from boys and girls aged 7-11 to join the St Agatha's Parish Junior choir. Free coaching provided by parishioner Nicola Warda. For all the details please contact Nicola via email: nicolawarda@yahoo.com.au or mobile: 0413887479.



# In our prayers we remember

# Those who have died recently:

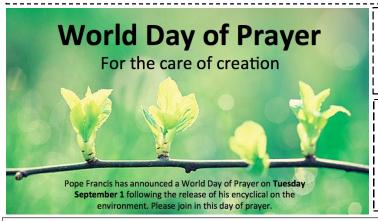
Lionel Page, Hyacinth Jacob, Fay Turner, Nell McDonald, Josephine O'Bryen, John Moloney, Mary McKew

# And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Ron Paul, Cedric Hampson, Neil Murphy, Jamie Carrigan, Agnes Clifton

### Those who are sick:

Ben Kennedy, Rosaria Fazio, Paddy Ryan Snr, Adele Walker, 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, 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, Philomena L'Hiullier.



# ST AGATHA'S SCHOOL CLAYFIELD HAS VACANCIES IN YRS 5 & 6 FOR 2016

For all enquiries please contact the Enrolment Secretary Ph: 3326 9222 or email wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au

# Father Liam Lawton / Australian Tour 2015 APPEARING AT ST AGATHA'S CHURCH

Friday 13 November / 7.00pm - 9.30pm Book online @ www.ministryhub.com.au Flyers available at the back of the church.

#### **CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 13**

The 2015 Child Protection Week campaign continues to stress the importance of primary prevention to reduce child abuse and neglect in Australia. The theme this year is "Be Someone Who Listens To Children"



#### **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. Contact the Ignite Youth office on 3217 5199, email info@igniteconference.com.au. Full information, videos and registration online at www.igniteconference.com.au

#### PARISH MEN'S WEEKEND:

Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, Coorparoo, Brisbane / 12 & 13 September, 2015
The experience of men gathering together at a menALIVE weekend is dynamic and powerful. Many men are inspired, encouraged and feel that they have a new sense of purpose and mission. menALIVE is a National Catholic Ministry for Men. Since the founding in 2003 menALIVE has run 280 events in 25 diocese in Australia and New Zealand for more than 15,500 men.

Come along to a menALIVE weekend and discover what it means to be fully alive.

#### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

4 - 6 September

A weekend for married couples in peaceful surrounds. Invest in your most precious asset – your Marriage!

Recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again...

It is all organised – meals are provided; two nights accommodation; couples are invited to contribute to the cost of their weekend however no one is denied the opportunity to attend through lack of funds.

Where: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston Contact: David and Maria Murphy P: 3342 1456 E: dandmurphy@optusnet.com.au W: www.wwme.org.au "Be doers of the word and not hearers only..." (James 1:22)





#### HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL WOOLOOWIN

40 Morris Street, Wooloowin 3857 2443

Save the dates:

Sunday 13 September 2015
Feast Day Pilgrimage and
Celebration

Saturday 24 October 2015
Past and Present Parents' Reunion
(18+ event)

### PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm 7.00am 9.00am 5.30pm

READERS

29/30 Aug **Graham Gibson Kirsty Stevens Denis Keating** Life Teen Mass

> Julie-Anne Gibson Jeanine Bygott **Don Macpherson**

Angela Larosa

**Ann Goves Rafael Chase** Tanya Mulcahy Life Teen Mass 5/6 Sept

**Ruby Chase** Katrina Murphy **Ryan Smethurst** Wilma O'Connell

**COMMUNION MINISTERS** 

29/30 Aug **Eddie Foley Kate Duffield Anthony Carroll** Life Teen Mass 5/6 Sept Marie Ho **Paulette Archer** Erin Bledsoe 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.

**Anna Coronis** Katrina Murphy 30 Aug Eleonora Kowitz Julie McMahon 6 Sept

**ORGANISTS:** 

29/30 Aug Volunteer Mark Leung **Robyn Cuming** Life Teen Mass 5/6 Sept **Robyn Cuming** Mark Leung Jenny McKeon Life Teen Mass

**SANCTUARY CARERS:** 

Victor Podesta 5 Sept Jane Lvnn 12 Sept 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

Before most masses Rosary:

#### WEEKDAY TIMETABLE

Monday 6.30 am Mass: Mass: Wednesday 9.00 am Thursday 9.00 am Mass: Friday 9.00 am Mass:

#### 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.



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 vou 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

#### SEPTEMBER

#### Tuesday 1

\* Youth Ministry Meeting 7pm Parish Office

#### Saturday 5 & Sunday 6

\* Annual Catholic Campaign

#### Monday 7 September

\* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

### Thursday 10

\* RCIA Information Night 7pm Parish Office

#### Sunday 13

\* P26 Mass 9am

#### Tuesday 15

\* Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office

#### Sunday 27

\* Social Justice Sunday

#### THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue

\* Young people take to the streets and entice more than 270 Fridaynight city visitors to accept a candle and an invitation to pray in

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