



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Administrator

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Parish Secretary

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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 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 6 September 2015

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7; 2nd Reading: James 2:1-5; Gospel: Mark 7:31-37



HEARING AND SPEAKING

If you wish to spark off an animated discussion ask people which faculty would they let go if they had to make such a choice: hearing or sight. Most would choose hearing as loss of sight registers as such a loss that many would do everything possible to keep. My own mother who lost her right eye through an accident playing with other children when she was about four or five lived in fear of blindness and would have most willingly have forsaken her hearing rather than eyesight. Yet loss of hearing isolates people from the ordinary flow of conversations, news sharing and entertainment in a way that loss of sight never does. Those with hearing loss enter a silent world where they struggle to understand what others are saying and can easily misunderstand what is happening. Gone from

them is the joy of music and entertainment on many levels. Gone also are the sounds that alert us that danger is close.

Add to hearing loss some speech impediment and you find others treating you as if you are suffering from some form of intellectual disability. How often have you seen people communicating with someone for whom English is not a familiar language raise their voice when speaking and use "me Tarzan, you Jane" types of expression as if increased volume and poor grammar will improve intelligibility. But back to speech impediments. Something like stammering frustrates the one trying to communicate and those trying to grasp what is being said. The person afflicted with such disabilities may suffer no intellectual disability but still is mightily handicapped.

This is the man who is healed by Jesus in the extract from the gospel we hear at mass this weekend. This healing comes alive at the baptism of every infant. After the little one has risen to new life from the baptismal water (immersed or had it poured over them) four ceremonies are performed that highlight the effects of baptism. The last of these ceremonies sees the minister place his fingers on the ears of the children and touch their mouths praying that they will listen to God's word and go out speaking as disciples. Jesus took the man away from the onlookers and touched his ears with his fingers and placed his finger moistened by his own spittle on the man's tongue. Miraculously the afflicted man could hear and speak clearly. Obviously he did not observe the Lord's command not to publicise what had happened otherwise we would know nothing about it. As it is we not only hear what the Lord says but take it to heart and share it with others using our own words that accepting Christ will bring us to wholeness in a way nothing else can.

May we listen carefully and always use words to build others up and bring healing into their lives.

Fr Adrian Farrelly



THIS WEEKEND
2015 ANNUAL

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FR ANTHONY MELLOR - NEW PARISH PRIEST - ST AGATHA'S PARISH

Anthony Mellor was born in Brisbane in 1967. After attending St Columban's at Albion, Anthony graduated with a Diploma of Teaching and later entered Banyo seminary in 1991. He was ordained in 1997, and has served in many parishes in the Archdiocese. His first appointment was Ipswich parish, followed by parish priest appointments to Gayndah and Maryborough. In 2005, Anthony was appointed as Administrator of the six parishes of Ashgrove, Bardon, Herston, Newmarket, Red Hill, Rosalie which was later to become Jubilee Parish. In late 2006, Anthony was sent to Rome to study theology at the Gregorian University. Since returning, Anthony has worked in Adult Education in the Archdiocese, as well as serving the parishes of Birkdale, Hendra, and The Gap. Most recently, Anthony has worked as Administrator of Victoria Point parish. Anthony is nearing completion of his Doctorate in Theology, and is also appointed one day a week as Academic Dean of Holy Spirit Seminary and two days a week as Theological Advisor to Brisbane Catholic Education.

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

8 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

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.



DATE CLAIMER

FATHER ADRIAN'S FAREWELL

Date and time - Friday 30 October - 7pm

Venue - Presentation Centre St Agatha's School

Theme - Family picnic

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 on Monday 7 September.

This invitation is for families whose children will be commencing the 2016 Sacramental Programme.

Your gifts make a real difference...



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Spirit
Seminary**

**MacKillop
Fund**

Centacare

**Priests
Foundation**

**Annual
Grants
Program**

**Your prayers and financial support are
vital to strengthening and fulfilling the
mission of our Church.**

Please make a gift today to the Annual Catholic Campaign in support of the vital works of your local Church.

Give online at www.catholiccampaign.com.au, call **07 3324 3200**, or text **CATHOLIC** to 0437 371 371.



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**PLEASE NOTE: This weekend there will
be three (3) collections. The Parish
collection will be taken up after the Opening
Prayer. The Annual Catholic
Campaign collection following the
Archbishop's Homily. The Presbytery
collection at Thanksgiving. Thank you!**

RCIA INFORMATION NIGHT

**Thursday 10 September at 7.00pm -
Parish Office**

This is for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic.

ST AGATHA'S PARISH P26 CHILDREN'S MASS

Sunday 13 September - 9am

To all the children in our parish from Prep to Year 6, you are invited to participate in our P26 Mass. At the Mass the young people do the readings, bring the gifts to the altar, collecting, serve on the altar, welcome people as they arrive giving them a copy of the newsletter or sing in the junior choir (first time being offered).

If your child would like to participate please phone the Parish office with your preferences on 3262 2859 or email us at clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au by no later than Monday the 7 September so there is time to organise the Mass.

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Mike Lynch, Jocelyn Walker, Pam McBride, Mary Harris, Lionel Page, Hyacinth Jacob, Fay Turner

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Glad McBride, John and Joy Hall, Jim Cuming, Ron Paul

Those who are sick:

Robert Renew, Melda Power, Bill Heap, Ben Kennedy, Rosaria Fazio, Paddy Ryan Snr, Adele Walker, Paul White, Edward Clark, Cajetan Goves, Alexandra Barlow, Joshua Stasis, 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.



GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Couples celebrating their Golden (or more) Wedding Anniversary and their family and friends, are invited to Mass with Bishop Brian V. Finnigan at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Saturday 3 October 2015 at 10.00am. The Mass will be followed by morning tea in the Hanly Room of the Francis Rush Centre.

RSVP cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or 3324 3030 by Friday 25 September 2015.

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

menALIVE Supported Event - Fathering Adventures

Improving Father Son relationships for all men aged 13+ and their Dad or other significant father figure.
5 nights Father and Son adventure. This is so much more than a camp, and so much more than a retreat!

WHEN: Saturday 26 September to Thursday 1 October

WHERE: North Queensland. For more details see the [Fathering Adventures Website](http://FatheringAdventures.com.au).

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

QUEENSLAND IRISH CHOIR INC.

Invite you to an afternoon of Irish music favourites

Featuring: Queensland Irish Choir Inc;
and Queensland Irish Dancers

Date : Sunday 20 September 2015

The Brisbane German Club, 416 Vulture St, East Brisbane

Time 2pm - 4:30pm. Cost: \$15 (Bookings Required!)

Bookings : Pat Deighton – 33569172 Mob: 0409497557

Email: deightfp@tpg.com.au

Prayer Calendars for Seminarians and Priests

are available at the back of the church.

Please take one home and pray daily for the seminarians,
by name, together with all those people who are involved in their formation.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS

5/6 Sept

Ann Goves
Ryan Smethurst

Rafael Chase
Ruby Chase

Tanya Mulcahy
Katrina Murphy
Wilma O'Connell

Life Teen Mass

12/13 Sept

Eric van der List
Phil Zammit

Mark Burton
Blue Doyle

St Agatha's P26 Mass

Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

5/6 Sept

Marie Ho

Paulette Archer

Erin Bledsoe

Life Teen Mass

12/13 Sept

Jan Zammit

Volunteer

Volunteer

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.

6 Sept

Eleonora Kowitz

Julie McMahon

13 Sept

No Children's Liturgy - P26Mass

ORGANISTS:

5/6 Sept

Robyn Cuming

Mark Leung

Jenny McKeon

Life Teen Mass

12/13 Sept

Volunteer

Mark Leung

Robyn Cuming/

Life Teen Mass

Paul Fiumara

SANCTUARY CARERS:

12 Sept

Santina Catalano

Maria Fistrovic

19 Sept

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
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

SEPTEMBER

Monday 7 September

* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

Tuesday 8 September

* Youth Ministry Meeting 7pm Parish Office

Wednesday 9 September

* Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm 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

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In this week's issue

* Archbishop reflects on changing face of the Church in Brisbane and around the world at annual multicultural Mass.

Readings - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 13 September 2015

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9; 2nd Reading: James 2:14-18;

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35