



# ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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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

Ms Harmony Domaille

## School Holidays

Another term ends this week.

Have a happy and safe holiday

**Administrator**

**Assistant Priest**

**Parish Secretary**

**Administrative Assistant**

**Parish Office Hours**

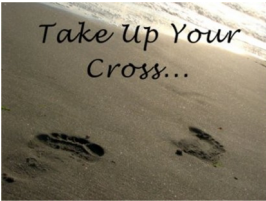
**School Principal**

**Outside School Hours Care Coordinator**

**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-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**



## SUFFERING AND GOD'S LOVE AND CARE OF US

Our news services reminded us very strongly and powerfully this week that pain and suffering are all around us. Locally, violent attacks have left women and children dead. In the Middle East displaced families flee their own countries trying to find safe haven in European countries and beyond.

This pain and suffering is not caused by natural disasters like floods, fires and earthquakes. This is the work of human hands directed by choice. The troubles of the Middle East are the result of nations using warring parties as proxies. Disagreements between one time partners can plunge a country into civil war. Perpetrators of domestic violence would resort to some kind of justification but they still planned what they did.

Suffering and pain is not an indicator that God has forgotten us or does not love us. At times we cry "why is this happening to me?". The answer to the question is often blindingly obvious. Some person or persons for whatever reason has chosen to do harm, to wound or to kill. People have failed to do good and chosen to do wrong. Their wrong doing has had catastrophic consequences.

Where is God in this? God is crying with us. When this is our situation we can turn to Our Lord. His pain and suffering was inflicted on him by others. His Father still loved him and he in turn loved those near to him consoling women who were upset by his suffering, assuring one being executive alongside him that he would enter paradise that way. His pain and suffering were real but his acceptance that God loved him in the midst of all gave him the strength he needed. Mary watched her only child die and knows also what we feel. She stands with us and prays for us. She knows her Son will not see us go wanting. *Fr Adrian Farrelly*

**Thank you** for the many individuals who made a gift to the **Annual Catholic Campaign** last weekend. Each and every contribution is important and makes a difference. If you have not yet had an opportunity to make a gift, please join us in supporting vital ministries throughout the Archdiocese through a monthly donation. You can find a giving envelope in the back of the Church or find information in the newsletter about giving online. On behalf of all those who rely on these ministries, thank you for your support.

### 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 docket to the parish office.

See notice board for menu suggestions.

Enquiries to the parish office on 3262 2859



### CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 13

The theme this year is

**"Be Someone Who Listens To Children"**



*Divine Mercy! I beg of You to protect all those helpless children who are physically, emotionally and sexually abused, especially by those whose duty it is to guide and protect them on earth. Send Your enveloping cloak of Mercy and wrap it around those poor children and enfold them in Your love and protection. Send forth Your rays of blood and water to cleanse and renew the souls of those who perpetrate these vile acts. Let there be a way to get Your powerful Image of Divine Mercy into the homes of these sad families, from where graces will flow as You promise, and they shall be renewed. O Blood and Water which gushed from the heart of Jesus as a fount of Mercy for us, we trust in You. Amen*  
(From the "Lord Calls" website)

### 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.

New enrolment date to be confirmed.

Enrolment forms will be available in 2016.

**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)

**QUIET (REFLECTION) AFTERNOON** - this Sunday 13 September 2.00pm - 4.00pm

(Sponsored by North East Brisbane Inter Church Council)

All are invited to this period of reflection/prayer to be held at St Paul's College (behind the ACU Library), Banyo. It will be led by Mr Keith McCourt, an ACU staff member and parishioner of St Anne's, Kalinga. Access from Approach or Nudgee Roads. Afternoon tea will be served. For information please phone Antonia on 3857 1387.

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Annual Grants Program

On behalf of all those who rely on these ministries ...

## THANK YOU!!!

to everyone who made a gift to the Annual Catholic Campaign!

Your gift is important and makes a difference!

If you have not yet had an opportunity to make a gift, please join us in supporting the vital ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Brisbane which serve you and this parish.

Simply fill out a giving envelope and place it in the offertory basket or drop it in the mail. Give online at

[www.catholiccampaign.com.au](http://www.catholiccampaign.com.au) call **07 3324 3200** or text **CATHOLIC** to 0437 371 371.



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**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**

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

**Friday 18 September 6pm Parish Office**

If you have any questions or ideas please contact Anne O'Connor on 3256 6013 or 0419 796 988.



### 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.

*In our prayers we remember*



*Those who have died recently:*

Edwina Blanshard, John Wilson, Colette Bourke, Hans Cierlitz, Kev Sorohan, Christopher Pietersz, Mike Lynch, Jocelyn Walker, Mary Harris

*And those whose anniversaries occur about now:*

Ernie and Nancy Long, Glad McBride, John and Joy Hall, Jim Cuming

*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 Statis, Maria Da Grava, Joyce Rodgers, Carmel See, Regina Hwan, Val Boevinic, Deanne Du Bour, Melissa Waka, David King, Agnes Tam, Denis Lau, Kerri Smith, Gerry Maller, Ann Tully, Louise Horrocks, Nola Palm, 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.

**BIG FAREWELL BASH FOR FR ADRIAN**

Come along and say farewell  
Enjoy a Spit Roast Meal and Desserts  
**NO COST!**

BYO Drink and picnic blanket  
Presentation Centre St Agatha's School  
Friday 30 October 2015 - 7pm

***IMPORTANT PLEASE REGISTER  
ON STICKY TICKETS TO ATTEND!***

<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/30263>

**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](http://www.ministryhub.com.au)  
Flyers available at the back of the church.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au)

**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](mailto:info@igniteconference.com.au). Full information, videos and registration online at [www.igniteconference.com.au](http://www.igniteconference.com.au)

**LIVING BIBLICALLY IN A SECULAR WORLD**

A Formation Series by Archbishop Mark Coleridge continues **Wednesday 16 September 7.15pm - 9pm** in St Stephen's Cathedral.

This is the final in a series of 7 presentations, running since March, focussing on contemporary issues through the lens of the Scriptures. Drawing on his biblical scholarship, Archbishop Mark will demonstrate the capacity of God's Word to speak into everyday issues and its power to change our lives. Entry is open to all. Cost is a gold coin donation. The Cathedral car park is open from 6pm. Invite a friend to come with you and share the experience.

**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

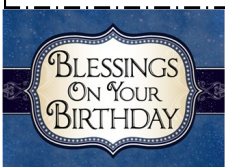
Time 2pm - 4:30pm. Cost: \$15 (Bookings Required!)

Bookings : Pat Deighton - 33569172 Mob: 0409497557

**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.



Happy birthday to saCristan  
Peter Bowden  
from Father Adrian, Father Stephen  
and the parishioners

## PARISH ROSTERS

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

**6.00pm                      7.00am                      9.00am                      5.30pm**

### READERS

12/13 Sept	Eric van der List Phil Zammit	Mark Burton Blue Doyle	St Agatha's P26 Mass	Life Teen Mass
19/20 Sept	Marie Ho Eddie Foley	Nick Eden Dianne Eden	Peter Ryan Trish Ryan Jane Arkininstall	Life Teen Mass

### COMMUNION MINISTERS

12/13 Sept	Jan Zammit	Volunteer	Volunteer	Life Teen Mass
19/20 Sept	Trish Hickey	Blue Doyle	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.*

13 Sept	No Children's Liturgy - P26Mass
20 Sept	No Children's Liturgy - School Holidays

### ORGANISTS:

12/13 Sept	Volunteer	Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming/ Paul Fiumara	Life Teen Mass
19/20 Sept	Volunteer	Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming	Life Teen Mass

### SANCTUARY CARERS:

19 Sept	Beverley O'Brien
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**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 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 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](mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au)*

## Parish Calendar

### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **Tuesday 15**

\* Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office

#### **Wednesday 16**

\* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

#### **Friday 18**

\* Youth Ministry Meeting 6pm Parish Office

#### **Monday 21**

\* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

#### **Sunday 27**

\* Social Justice Sunday

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

#### **In this week's issue**

\* Bishops use Social Justice Statement to call for substantial increase in Australia's intake of migrants and refugees and for end to off-shore detention.  
\* Archdiocese to ask for independent audit of its policies around safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

**Readings - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 20 September 2015**

**1st Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; 2nd Reading: James 3:16-4:3;**

**Gospel: Mark 9:30-37**