



# 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.**

Mrs Carol Sayers **APRE:** Mr Nick Fogarty

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**Synod on the Family**

**Administrator**

**Assistant Priest**

**Parish Secretary**

**Administrative Assistant**

**Parish Office Hours**

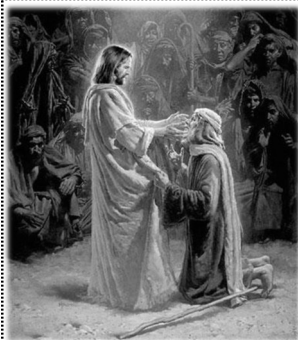
**School Principal**

**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 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25 October 2015

**1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6; Gospel: Mark 10:46-52**



Three sacraments cannot be repeated. Baptism, confirmation and orders. Yes, I can hear you say that is not correct. You can be baptised many times. It depends on what group you wish to belong to. I was baptised or christened Uniting church then I became a Mormon and now I want to become a catholic. Regardless of what some people have done a person can only be validly baptised once. Baptism is like being born. It can only happen once.

The reason it can only happen once is that only once does God choose us and make us members of the body of Christ. Our response to the divine choice may be strong or weak but nothing we can do can make God revoke the divine connection made with us. In the same way confirmation seals that call and choice and God breathes into us the gifts of the spirit so that we have all that we need to make Christ known at all times and in all places. Likewise with the men who are ordained priests. Even if they decide after ordination not to continue ministering as priests and are permitted by the Pope to live as members of the lay faithful and not be bound by the obligations they took on when they were ordained, in certain circumstances if called upon by someone in need they can still act as priests. Once again God's call remains active even if for whatever reason the individual priest decides not to live out that call,

God's action is where we always need to start when we sit and think about the world and our lives. When we do that we are looking at reality with eyes wide open. The son of Timaeus in the gospel we just listened to had once been able to see but then somehow had lost his sight. In days before social welfare in the way we know and take for granted he was reduced to sitting by the roadside and begging for assistance from those passing by. His way of looking at the world had changed dramatically. No longer could he do whatever work he had done before. No longer could see the faces of his wife and children and the others he loved. Maybe he had been rejected by some as a man cursed by God. This was one way of explaining disasters of this kind: the victim must have brought it on him or herself "Who sinned, this man or his parents" as Jesus was asked on one occasion.

Bartimaeus has heard about Jesus from Nazareth from talking to other travellers. He has heard about his preaching and miracles. This is a God-given opportunity and he is not going to let it go by. Despite the efforts of those with Jesus to silence him he persists and finally gains the attention of Jesus.

Once again we are taken onto God's side of human activity. For us to be aware that God is acting in what we receive Jesus asks Bartimaeus what he wants. Jesus does not presume that it is sight he wants. He asks and Bartimaeus replies: Let me see again. And he does see again but the first person he sees with his new sight is Jesus himself, the beloved Son of the Father. The embodiment of the one the prophet Jeremiah foretold would come.

The life of Bartimaeus changes and he follows Jesus. He becomes a disciple and will constantly tell others what can happen to them if you just ask. What is that we long to have or have again? What hinders our development and growth? What answer shall we give when Jesus asks: what do you want me to do for you?

*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 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

If you have any questions or ideas please contact

Anne O'Connor on 3256 6013 or 0419 796 988.



[facebook.com/aggiesyouth](https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth)

## BIG FAREWELL BASH FOR FR ADRIAN

Come along and say farewell

Enjoy a Spit Roast Meal and Desserts

**NO COST!**

Presentation Centre St Agatha's School

Friday 30 October 2015 - 7pm

***IMPORTANT: FOR CATERING  
PURPOSES PLEASE REGISTER ON  
STICKY TICKETS.***

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

**REGISTRATIONS CLOSE**

**MIDNIGHT MONDAY 26 OCTOBER**



### 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.

October

Month of the  
Holy Rosary



October is  
Breast Cancer  
Awareness  
Month



\* **DAILY MASS BOOK 2016** - for sale at Piety Stall \$17.00 each

\* **2016 COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS** - for sale at Piety Stall \$9.00 each

The Calendar has been produced by St Columbans Mission Society for over 90 years and has provided important funding for the work of the missionaries in over 16 countries. You will find beautiful traditional religious artwork and helpful liturgical information in the calendar. The calendars are great Christmas gifts for family and friends.



\* **FATHER ADRIAN'S LAST WEEKEND - 31 OCTOBER / 1 NOVEMBER**

Next weekend Saturday 31 October/Sunday 1 November, will be Fr Adrian's last weekend. After all the Masses that weekend there will be a cake and tea/coffee. To assist with catering we ask Parishioners to bring a plate to share for the 6.00pm, 7.00am and 9.00am Masses only. Thank you!

\* **NOVEMBER MASS ENVELOPES** are available from table in church foyer or Piety Stall. Please print the names of those who you wish to be remembered and place the envelope on the collection plate or hand into the parish office. The names of your deceased will be placed in a Remembrance Book that will be on the altar for all Masses during the month of November. **NOVEMBER A special time to pray for our loved ones who have died.**



\* **FATHER LIAM LAWTON / Australian Tour 2015 / CANCELLED** due to unexpected circumstances.



With great joy we welcome:  
**Frankie Cathcart, Frederick Condon, Charlie East,  
Jude Gibson, Riley Hepburn, Alissa Leung-Swaby,  
Neve McAuley-Daniels, Lily McSweeney and Hamish Price**  
who will be baptised this Sunday.



## *In our prayers we remember*

### *Those who have died recently:*

Barbara Gubbins, Helen Ross, Kevin Bartholomew, Louie Limas, Marion Taylor

### *And those whose anniversaries occur about now:*

Fausto Rada

### *Those who are sick:*

Fr Michael Cooney, Craig Gerran, Ken Kipping, Robert Renew, 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 Boevinlic, 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.



### **\* SYNOD ON THE FAMILY - OCTOBER 2015**

Pope Francis has stressed the need to pray for the Synod on the Family. The Synod has to involve the whole Church, and prayer is one vital way of being involved. Prayer cards are available at the back of the church. Go to: [www.brisbanecatholic.org.au](http://www.brisbanecatholic.org.au) and read Archbishop Mark Coleridge's daily blogs "*On The Road Together*".

### **\* BLUE KNOT DAY - MONDAY 26 OCTOBER**

ASCA (Adults Surviving Child Abuse) hosts its national awareness day Blue Knot Day on the last Monday of October every year. On this day, ASCA asks all Australians to unite in support of the 5 million Australian adult survivors of childhood trauma and abuse.



### **\* NEW YOUTH VENTURE**

The Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem, an ecumenical order, is dedicated to care of the sick. To share the vision and work, they are proposing to establish a section for young people (17 yrs up) called "Friends of the Order". Information and application forms are on the back table.

### **\* HANDS OF THE WORLD FAIR TRADE ARTISANS' MARKET**

Cathedral of St Stephen Francis Rush Centre Elizabeth Street Brisbane

Friday 30 October 3pm to 7pm / Saturday 31 Oct / Sunday 1 Nov / Monday 2 Nov 9.00am till 5.00pm

Weavings from Ecuador; paper repurposed from Thailand; Christmas baubles from India; basketry from Bangladesh; ceramics; glass; folk art; embroidered silk shawl from Kashmir; timber toys from Rajasthan; cards from Senegal Benedictines; Ethiopian textiles; wool and cotton garments from Kenya; rugs from Nepal, will be gathered for delectation and delight for four days from 30 October.

### **\* ALL HALLOWS' PAST PUPILS ANNUAL MASS**

The All Hallows' Past Pupils' Association is hosting their Annual Mass and Biennial Meeting in All Hallows' Chapel on Saturday 31 October at 10.30am followed by Morning Tea in Loretto Hall. To assist catering it is essential to book. Cost towards morning tea is \$15.00 per person and bookings can be made online at [www.ahs.qld.edu.au](http://www.ahs.qld.edu.au) (go to Events). RSVP no later than Tuesday 27 October, 2015. For further enquiries please contact Lenore Thompson on 3831 5632 or email [Lenore.Thompson@qld.edu.au](mailto:Lenore.Thompson@qld.edu.au). Limited parking is available at the school.

### **\* 70 YEAR REUNION**

All Hallows' Junior Class of 1945 are holding their 70 Year reunion in conjunction with the Annual Past Pupils' Mass in the Chapel on Saturday 31 October 10.30am followed by Morning Tea in Loretto Hall. To assist catering it is essential to book. Cost for this reunion is \$25.00 per person. To register please contact Marjorie Jell on 3379 1315. Limited parking is available at the school.

### **\* LOURDES HILL COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL MASS**

All family and friends of past students are invited to attend / Venue: Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel ~ Lourdes Hill College / Date: Saturday 7 November 2015 / Time: 10am (Morning tea to follow meeting) / Enquiries: Loreto Lotz 0412769708 / Marilyn Loth 0422854737.

### **\* LOSS AND GRIEF PROGRAM - 'SEASONS'**

Commencing on Wednesday 11 November, 5.30pm for 6pm start at Hemmant. This is a peer support group for adults who have suffered a significant loss in their lives and maybe struggling to cope and move on with life. It is a small group. The course is 6 sessions and run over 6 weeks. For information please contact Annette Plummer 0418 997 017 or [annette.plummer@forwardthinkingcounselling.net.au](mailto:annette.plummer@forwardthinkingcounselling.net.au)

## PARISH ROSTERS

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

	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
<b><u>READERS</u></b>				
24/25 Oct	Marie Ho Marian Nolan	Annette Riba Kirsty Stevens	Tanya Mulcahy Peter Ryan Wilma O'Connell	Life Teen Mass
31 Oct/1 Nov	Judy Bartels Paul Bartels	Helen Roberts Ken Roberts	Katrina Murphy Trish Ryan Jane Arkinstall	Life Teen Mass

### COMMUNION MINISTERS

24/25 Oct	Trish Hickey	<i>Volunteer</i>	Erin Bledsoe	Life Teen Mass
31 Oct/1 Nov	Ann Goves	Kate Duffield	Anthony Carroll	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.*

25 Oct	Monica McBride	Mel Ryan
1 Nov	Julie Kordic	Ewa Marino-Cebulski

### ORGANISTS:

24/25 Oct	<i>Volunteer</i>	Mark Leung	Robyn Cuming	Life Teen Mass
31 Oct/1 Nov	<i>Volunteer</i>	Mark Leung	Eithne Stafford	Life Teen Mass

### SANCTUARY CARERS:

31 Oct	Santina Catalano	Jane Lynn
7 Nov	Victor Podesta	

**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

### **OCTOBER**

#### **Monday 26**

\* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

#### **Wednesday 28**

\* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

#### **Friday 30**

\* Fr Adrian's Farewell Bash 7pm Presentation Centre

#### **Saturday 31 & 1 November**

\* Fr Adrian's last weekend

### **NOVEMBER**

#### **Sunday 8**

\* P26 Mass 9.00am

#### **Tuesday 10**

\* Youth Ministry Meeting 7pm Parish Office

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

**In this week's issue**

- \* Young religious sister on a mission from Belarus to Brisbane and back.
- \* Extensive coverage of Synod on the Family.
- \* Feature on World Youth Day 2016 pilgrimage.

**Readings - All Saints - 1 November 2015**

**1st Reading: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-3;**

**Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12**