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ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Phone 3262 2859 E-mail clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au http://www.clayfieldparish.org.au Web Aggies Youth facebook.com/aggiesyouth Fr Anthony Mellor 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 **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 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 8 November 2015 1st Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28; Gospel: Mark 12:38-44



Dear sisters and brothers.

As I arrived for my first full day in the parish last week, it seemed that the whole nation had stopped to welcome me. It was Melbourne Cup Day. Later in the afternoon, as I wandered around the church and grounds, I came across the Foundation Stone that was laid for the commencement of the extensions of St Agatha's Church. It was dated November 3, 1957. The

Foundation Stone recorded the names of Archbishop Duhig and Monsignor English. Exactly 58 years to the day, I had been given the responsibility for the pastoral care of St Agatha's parish by Archbishop Coleridge.

We always stand in gratitude for those who have gone before us, and we always build upon foundations laid by others. On my first weekend, I would particularly like to acknowledge the long pastoral tenure of Fr Adrian Farrelly. Fr Adrian has been a foundation stone of St Agatha's for almost two decades, and has handed on a parish which is in fine shape. As the in-coming pastor, I would like to thank Fr Adrian for his work and dedication over many years, which is noticeable wherever you look - particularly for one like me who is newly-arrived. I am keenly aware of the pastoral service that Fr Adrian and other priests have given to this community over many generations. I pray that I might be worthy of this heritage, and work to build my own layer of foundations over the years to come.

I will leave my personal story until another time, but for now, I simply say that I am happy to be among you as your parish priest, and look forward to sharing the next six years (at least) with you. Like Fr Adrian, I have other commitments which will take me away from the parish during weekdays. I am also the Academic Dean of Holy Spirit Seminary (1 day/week), and Theological Advisor to Brisbane Catholic Education (2 days/week). I will find a weekly rhythm to all these duties by early next year, but in the meantime, I ask for your patience as I work out how best to fulfil these various responsibilities.

I look forward to getting to know your stories, and working with you to discover God's great story which is always unfolding around us. The gospel this weekend reminds us that if we want to understand God's big story, we need to keep an eye out for the small stories, the little things. By doing so, we realise that the foundations of everything are built upon the tiny, countless, unnoticed acts of generosity, kindness and love.

Peace and joy for the week ahead,

Fr Anthony

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

Tuesday 10 November / Parish Office - 7.00pm If you have any questions or ideas please contact Anne O'Connor on 3256 6013 or 0419 796 988.

A NEW CHAPTER FOR ST AGATHA'S WELCOME TO FATHER ANTHONY MELLOR



As one chapter here at St Agatha's closed last weekend a new one has started with the arrival of our new Parish Priest - Father Anthony Mellor. Father Anthony was ordained in 1997 and is no stranger to parish life and no stranger to Brisbane and Queensland. He has served in many parishes within the Archdioceses from Ipswich, his first appointment, then as parish priest in Gayndah and Maryborough. In 2005 he was appointed Administrator in 6 parishes, Ashgrove, Bardon, Herston, Newmarket and

Rosalie (which was later to become the Jubilee Parish). With north of the river pretty much covered, Father Anthony was sent to Rome (Italy) in late 2006 to study theology, and he is now nearing the completion of his Doctorate in Theology. Returning from Rome, Father Anthony has served as an Administrator in the parishes of Birkdale, Hendra and the Gap, and most recently at Victoria Point. In addition to Parish life, and studying, Father Anthony has worked in Adult Education. He 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. From this brief summary it is clear that Father Anthony has the skills and leadership to take us through this new Chapter and many more. Father Anthony please accept our very warm welcome to the Parish of St Agatha's and we look forward to your leadership in this new Chapter.

Eileen Duncan Chair - Parish Pastoral Council

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.

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.*

* BREAK OPEN THE WORD

All Readers are asked to collect their copy of *Break Open the Word 2016*. Books (with your name on them) are available on table in church foyer.

* ST AGATHA'S SCHOOL PREP FOR 2017

If you have a child born between 1/7/11 - 30/6/12, they are eligible to commence Prep in 2017. The enrolment process for Prep 2017 commences at the beginning of 2016.

If you would like your child included in the enrolments for prep 2017, please *email* your details along with your child's name, D.O.B. and address to the Enrolment Secretary: <u>wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au</u> or phone the school on 3326 9222.

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

"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in every-thing she had, her whole living. " (Mark 12:43–44)



In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently :

Gary Bukowski, Sandra McGregor, Bill Thornton

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Mary Melville, Leo & Pearl Melville, Joyce & Bob Anderson, Doreen Haine, Bill Lim, Hazel O'Haga, Paula Whitman *Those who are sick*:

Blue Doyle, 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, Rob Bruce, Mel Purwo, Kath Delahunty, Hellen Passente, Philomena L'Hiullier.

* **THE CAMP HILL PARISH** invites applications for the part time position of Children's Ministry Coordinator (Commencing January 2016 – Part-time 15 hours per week). For job description and other information contact the Camp Hill Parish on 3398 1154 or email: <u>stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au</u>. Applications close Friday 13 November.

* "menALIVE IN THE CITY" is held regularly from 5.45 until 7.30pm in the Francis Rush Centre (Beside The Cathedral of St Stephen). The next event is on Thursday 19 November 2015, International Men's Day, and will deal with the important issue of domestic violence. This is a great opportunity for men to get together and explore what they can do to make the home a more peaceful place for all. For further information contact menALIVE on 3367 1402 or mail@menalive.org.au

* **CANALI HOUSE** - established by the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2003 for young men wanting to discern their call in life. The House is a 12 month live-in program to consider the call to priesthood or the path God calls. Young men work or study as usual while living within a Roman Catholic Community under the direction of the Vocations Director. Check out the Program at www.vocationbrisbane.com - applications are now open for 2016. Contact Fr Morgan Batt <u>battm@bne.catholic.net.au</u>

DO YOU ENJOY MEETING PEOPLE? / DO YOU LOVE YOUR CATHEDRAL?

DO YOU REVEL IN GOOD ART AND JUICY HISTORY? DO WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU! Talk with us about becoming a volunteer welcomer and guide at the Cathedral of St Stephen. The commitment is approximately three hours per month on roster and booked tours according to your availability Monday to Friday, mornings or afternoons. The rewards are beyond measure - a wonderful opportunity to delve into the rich history, art and significance of the Cathedral and Precinct and to share it with others.

Everyone you meet, greet and guide will become an ambassador for this historic architectural gem which is the mother church of the archdiocese. Volunteering is a sure-fire way to find friends that you didn't even know you had.

An information session will be held on Thursday 3 December 2015. We will meet in the Francis Rush Centre at 10.00am. A comprehensive five day training program will begin on Thursday 4 February and continue each Thursday until completion on Thursday 3 March with a Graduation celebration on 10 March. The training days start at 9.30am and finish at 3.00pm.

Contact Carmel Devery at the Cathedral office on 3324 3030 or e-mail deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au by 1 December if you would like to share in this mission!

* PLEASE JOIN US AT A COLLOQUIUM ON *LAUDATO SI* AND DISCUSS ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE WORLD AT LARGE

"Even if it doesn't fix the world, beautification and goodwill gestures inspire and remind people that 'we were made for love'." (Pope Francis on Laudato Si - Par58, 113, 212)

When Pope Francis released the document inspired by St Francis' Canticle of Creation, he wanted to remind us all – Catholics and non-Catholics, the Church and all those beyond it – that we needed to care for creation more. But what does that actually mean and how can we achieve greater sustainability and longevity? This gathering will be a chance to explore and consider these and other significant questions. Taking place at Mt Alvernia, the Franciscan girls' college at Kedron, on Thursday December 3, Catholic Mission invites YOU to come and spend a day with Catholics from a variety of backgrounds and contexts. And thanks to the generosity of Catholic Church Insurances, we are able to offer a significant discount to members of local parishes. Simply call our office during business hours, mention this bulletin notice and you will save \$100 (full professional rate is \$195, so you can join us for \$95).

To register or to find out more, please contact the Brisbane office of Catholic Mission, during business hours, on 3336 9239 or visit <u>http://www.thefranciseffectii.com/thefranciseffec2.html</u>



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	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
<u>READERS</u>				•
7/8 Nov	Jack Williamson	Mark Burton	St Agatha's P26 Mass	Life Teen Mass
	Marian Nolan	Jeanine Bygott		
14/15 Nov	Graham Gibson	Rafael Chase	Heidi Cooper	Life Teen Mass
	Julie-Anne Gibson	Ruby Chase	Michael Crutcher	
			Eileen Duncan	
<u>COMMUNIO</u>	<u>N MINISTERS</u>			
7/8 Nov	Eddie Foley	Michele Pink	Volunteer	Life Teen Mass
14/15 Nov	Ann Goves	Deborah Hall	Erin Bledsoe	Life Teen Mass
CHILDREN'S	LITURGY OF THE WOR	<u>D</u> - Prep to Grade 4 chil	dren are encouraged to partici	pate.
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8 Nov	No Children's Liturgy	- P26 Mass		
	Jane Arkinstall	Maree Carroll		
15 Nov	Jane Arkinstall			
15 Nov ORGANISTS:				
		Mark Leung	Eithne Stafford/ Paul Fiumara	Life Teen Mass
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Please contact 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				
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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

NOVEMBER Monday 9 * SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office Tuesday 10 * Youth Ministry Meeting 7pm Parish Office Wednesday 11 * RCIA 7pm Parish Office Tuesday 17 * Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office Wednesday 18 * Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue * Priest building ministry one Lego piece at a time. * Simple idea for helping make marriage vows stick



Readings - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 15 November 2015 1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-3; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Gospel: Mark 13:24-32