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ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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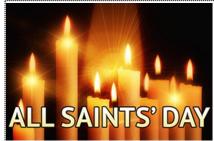
Monday - Friday: 8.00 am to 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm to 4.30pm

Please note Office is closed 12.30 - 1.30pm. 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 - 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



ALL SAINTS DAY

This is the last time I compose some thoughts on the readings of today's liturgy and on the significance of the day we celebrate: All Saints Day. There is something about sitting down each week and putting fingers to keyboard. Over the 42 years I have been a priest I have read some of these readings numerous times but each time I return to them there is something new to be found.

The reason for this "discovery of newness" is that we change from day to day, moment to moment, year to year. When I read words that are familiar, I read them from the moment in life at which I have arrived. You do the same. It, the readings and prayers, is never the same old thing because we are never the same old thing.

All saints day began as Martyrs Day and in the seventh century changed to what we have now. The Saints we focus on today are not the ones officially proclaimed by the Church to be in God's presence. Those saints, the canonised ones (their names are added to the canon or list), are chosen by the church as models for us. And as models they are not all the same. They had all kinds of different personalities and different life journeys. They had not all been "squeaky clean" from cradle to grave – Peter, Mary Magdalene, Augustine to name but three who easily spring to mind. All Saints day is not about them.

All Saints day is about millions of people (too many to count) who chose to live the Beatitudes. They are people that we have known as friends or family members. These men and women, boys and girls, practised integrity, were compassionate, spoke out against unjust treatment of others, endured persecution and lies as a result of their living in the way they saw Jesus living.

Now they walk with all the other saints in the halls of heaven. They are at home in the community that is the Trinity and praise God but are also praying for us who are still on the journey to the Father. Name them as you record their names for the November masses so that the book displayed on the sanctuary during November will be filled with the saints we knew and whose assistance we delight in.

We are filled with God's spirit which enables us to call God "Father" and know we are beloved daughters and sons. I have lived as a child and adult in the parish of St Agatha in total for 35 years the last 17 as the priest entrusted with care of the community. Those years have seen me welcomed into the very fabric of your lives and I treasure that as a singular blessing and thank you for it.

I am not retiring as some believe I am (though it is an appealing thought!). Along with my canon law work in the city as vice rector at Holy Spirit seminary (part time) I now shall assist the men preparing to be priests to have some idea of what lies in store for them and how they can be the shepherds God want his family to have.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

ALL SOULS' DAY 2 NOVEMBER Masses: 6.30am and 9.00am

ST. AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY

<u>LifeTeen MASS - Sunday 5.30pm</u>

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

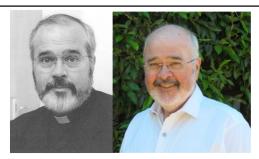
ST AGATHA'S YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

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





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It is with some hesitation that I am writing this thank you for Father Adrian on his last weekend in our Parish - as with it comes the end of an era. An era where Father Adrian has provided a calm, spiritual leadership, and selfless support to us all. Like a good father - watching and observing us move through life, growing in spirit and in mind, giving us a little nod or push if required, a smile of hope and understanding. It was evident by the large turn out on Friday at the Big Farewell Bash (over 550 attendees) that Father Adrian is loved and respected by the Parish. On behalf of the Parish I would like to thank Father Adrian for his strong, tacit leadership since 1998 – Father Adrian please accept our heartfelt thanks for your time, prayers, endless energy, and selfless commitment to our Parish. We wish you all the best in your new position as Vice Rector of the Holy Spirit Seminary

Eileen Duncan - Chair Parish Pastoral Council

* FR ANTHONY MELLOR - New Parish Priest

Next weekend 7/8 November, we welcome our new Parish Priest, Fr Anthony Mellor. There will be a meet and greet with refreshments following each Mass. Parishioners are asked to bring a plate to share.

* ST AGATHA'S PARISH P26 CHILDREN'S MASS / Sunday 8 November - 9.00am

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. 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 Tuesday 3 November so there is time to organise the Mass. As this will be Fr Anthony's first weekend with us, there will be a meet and greet morning tea for him following the Mass. Parishioners are asked to bring a plate to share.

- * 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.



In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Sandra McGregor, Bill Thornton, Barbara Gubbins, Helen Ross

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

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.

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

* 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.

* 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

- * "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 battm@bne.catholic.net.au

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!



PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm 7.00am 9.00am 5.30pm

READERS

31 Oct/1 Nov Judy Bartels Helen Roberts Katrina Murphy Life Teen Mass

Paul Bartels Ken Roberts Trish Ryan Jane Arkinstall

Jane Arkinsta

7/8 Nov Jack Williamson Mark Burton St Agatha's P26 Mass Life Teen Mass

Marian Nolan Jeanine Bygott

COMMUNION MINISTERS

31 Oct/1 Nov Ann Goves Kate Duffield Anthony Carroll Life Teen Mass 7/8 Nov Eddie Foley Michele Pink 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.

1 Nov Julie Kordic Ewa Marino-Cebulski

8 Nov No Children's Liturgy - P26 Mass

ORGANISTS:

31 Oct/1 Nov Volunteer Volunteer Eithne Stafford Life Teen Mass 7/8 Nov Patricia Marszalek Mark Leung Eithne Stafford/ Life Teen Mass Paul Fiumara

SANCTUARY CARERS:

7 Nov Victor Podesta Jane Lynn 14 Nov Santina Catalano Maria Fistrovic

> <u>Volunteers needed.</u> 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

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 4

* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

Sunday 8

* P26 Mass 9.00am

Monday 9

* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

Tuesday 10

* Youth Ministry Meeting 7pm Parish Office

Wednesday 11

* Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office

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In this week's issue

* Archbishop Coleridge gives an insider's view on the final report from the Synod of Bishops on the family.



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