



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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Parish Priest

Fr Anthony Mellor

Assistant Priest

Fr Stephen Jeon

Parish Secretary

Mrs Rosemary Greer

Administrative Assistant

Mrs Jane Cameron

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 - 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



Dear sisters and brothers,

I celebrated my 18th anniversary of ordination during this past week. These moments mark a progression, but they are also occasions of reflection. These 18 years have taken me in directions I never dreamed when I was ordained. And like any journey of life, there have been highs and lows, successes and failures. These are all part of the rich texture of life.

Gratefulness is one of the cornerstones of faith. On occasions like anniversaries or birthdays, as people of faith, we are called to recognise the blessings that come to us as gifts from God. Indeed, true gratefulness is the ability to say, "I am grateful for everything – even the not so good stuff!" To recognise everything as 'gift' – even the moments that we wish didn't happen – is to acknowledge that God is ultimately in charge and always working away for our good. As St Paul once wrote, "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

One of the great gifts of priesthood for me is the diversity and variety of experiences that have come my way. I enjoy parish life, and walking together with a community of faith. I am also involved with the formation of those studying for ordination at Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo, and enjoy the opportunity to shape the future priests of Queensland. In addition, I work with Brisbane Catholic Education which has such an important and pivotal role in the mission of the church here in our local diocese. These roles offer me the chance to learn, to stretch myself, to work with many people in a variety of situations, and to offer in service whatever gifts I might have. All this ensures that I am never bored!

So anniversaries of ordination are an opportunity to be grateful, and to stand before God in humility, and ask for God's continued care and mercy in life. And I am also grateful to this community for your welcome to me in these early weeks. May we all walk together to the future that God has in store for us, taking one small step at time. Markers along the way, like anniversaries, help us realise how far we have come – thanks be to God!

Peace and best wishes for the week ahead,

Fr Anthony

Congratulations and Blessings Fr Anthony

Fr Anthony celebrated his 18th Anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood on Thursday 12 November.

Congratulations

Fr Anthony, we hope you enjoyed your Special Day!

Best wishes from your new parish family!

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



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



As one chapter here at St Agatha's closed at the end of October, 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 Birddale, 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** - \$17.00 each
- * **2016 COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS** - \$9.00 each
- * **LITTLE BLUE BOOKS (Advent)** - \$4.00 each

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR CHRISTMAS

Every Thursday 6.00pm - 7.00pm
in the Church.



New members welcome.

* **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: wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au or phone the school on 3326 9222.

* With great joy we welcome **Eliza Colwell, Evie Dix, Tommy Dawson, Eva Tallon and Alfie Woolnough** who will be baptised this Sunday.



Congratulations! Congratulations and best wishes to Colette and Kevin Schafer, *Congratulations!*
who celebrated 64 years of marriage on 8 November.

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Gary Bukowski

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Alan, Jennifer & Mat Leutenegger, Mary Melville, Leo & Pearl Melville, Joyce & Bob Anderson, Doreen Haine, Bill Lim

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.

*** THANK YOU FROM FR ADRIAN**

I still have hopes of responding more personally to the many well wishes and generous gifts you gave me as I took my leave of the community of St Agatha. I am very moved and deeply grateful. No, I have not read all the words written in the farewell book yet but shall do so in the weeks ahead. I shall be in Rome for three weeks leaving next Monday (yes, it is a hard life I lead) to attend a conference on formation and training of priests at one of the universities there. The conference will not take all the time so I shall have time to not only reacquaint myself with the city and its sites but simply have time to stop and reflect on what lies ahead. So, many thanks for all your love and kindness over so many years. Undoubtedly our paths will cross from time to time in unexpected places like shopping centres, churches and golf courses. Continue to pray for me as I do for you.

Fr Adrian Farrelly

* **ACCOMMODATION WANTED** - 41 year old man seeking accommodation for 2-3 months while saving for own unit. Reliable, honest and trustworthy. Experience in house-sitting. Has own car. References available. Contact Paul on 0432 603 597.

* **QUEENSLAND IRISH CHOIR INC** - Invite you to attend their Christmas Concert. The Choir will sing a range of popular Christmas songs. Special Guest Artists are the famous musical Trio Cloudstreet. Sunday 29 November 2015 / St Andrew's Uniting Church, corner of Creek and Ann Streets, Brisbane Time: 2.00pm - 4.30pm / Cost: \$15 / Bookings: Pat Deighton - 07 33569172 / Mob: 0409497557 Email: deightfp@tpg.com.au / www.qldirishchoir.org.au

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

Reach out. Give life. "Get back to nature - 'the caress of God' -- to recharge. Be more attentive to its beauty and wonder and revisit places that left you with happy memories." (Pope Francis on Laudato Si - Pars 84, 97, 215, 233)

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 (07) 3336 9239 or visit <http://www.thefranciseffectii.com/thefranciseffec2.html>

* **PARISH OF ST THERESE AND ST ANTHONY - KEDRON** invites applications for the position of Parish Secretary (Contract). Vibrant Parish community / 3 - 6 month contract, 38 hours per week Monday to Friday (with a possibility of becoming a permanent role) / Immediate Start For job description and more information contact Cindy Hayer on 3367 6332 or hayerc@bne.catholic.net.au.

PARISH ROSTERS

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

	6.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
<u>READERS</u>				
14/15 Nov	Graham Gibson Julie-Anne Gibson	Rafael Chase Ruby Chase	Heidi Cooper Michael Crutcher Eileen Duncan	Life Teen Mass
21/22 Nov	Ann Goves Ryan Smethurst	Chanelle White Andrew Douglas	Peter Gilroy Leanne O'Shea Tim Hancock	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

14/15 Nov	Ann Goves	Helen Roberts	Erin Bledsoe	Life Teen Mass
21/22 Nov	Marie Ho	Deborah Hall	<i>Volunteer</i>	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.

15 Nov	Jane Arkinstall	Maree Carroll	
22 Nov	Katrina Murphy	Anna Coronis	

ORGANISTS:

14/15 Nov	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung	Jenny McKeon	Life Teen Mass
21/22 Nov	Robyn Cuming	Mark Leung	Catriona McPherson	Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

21 Nov	Beverley O'Brien
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Volunteers needed. These important ministries need more volunteers.

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



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

Tuesday 17

* Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office

Wednesday 18

* Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office

Monday 23

* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

Wednesday 25

* RCIA 7pm Parish Office

THE CATHOLIC LEADER COPIES ON SALE - \$2.00

In this week's issue

- * Hospital keeps inseparable married couple together during recent stay.
- * Three-page feature highlighting the impressive work of Centacare.
- * Million-dollar start-up founder to head homeless cause for Vinnies.

MOVEMBER



2015

Readings - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - 22 November 2015

1st Reading: Daniel 7:13-14; 2nd Reading: Revelation 1:5-8;

Gospel: John 18:33-37