



ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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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 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17 January 2016

1st Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Gospel: John 2:1-11



Dear sisters and brothers,

Before calendars were readily available, there was an ancient practice of announcing on the feast of the Epiphany the dates of the upcoming feasts of the new year. Granted that the feast of the Epiphany has come and gone, it is still a helpful to know the dates of the central feasts of the year. Traditionally, the proclamation was given after the reading of the Epiphany Gospel and served to remind the People of God that Easter Sunday is the centre-point of our yearly cycle.

Easter shifts each year because the dating of Easter follows the lunar calendar. Easter Sunday falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the autumn equinox (21st March). For this reason, many other important feasts also move each year. From this Sunday, we begin a short burst of Ordinary Time before Lent begins in early February. Ordinary Time does not mean "ordinary" in the everyday sense of the term, but refers to ordinal numbers, as in counted time; e.g. 2nd Sunday, 3rd Sunday and so on. On this Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, let us get our bearings for the year ahead with this traditional proclamation of the great feasts of the year:

Know, dear brothers and sisters,
that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ,
so by of God's mercy
we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection,
the celebration of the Paschal festival and its feasts.

On the **tenth** day of **February** will fall Ash Wednesday,
and the beginning of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the **twenty-seventh** day of **March** we will celebrate with joy Easter Day,
the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **eighth** day of **May** will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **fifteenth** day of **May**, the feast of Pentecost.

On the **twenty-ninth** day of **May**, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the **twenty-seventh** day of **November**,
the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

Mark your diaries!

Fr Anthony



Australia Day - Tuesday 26 January

Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am.

Followed by morning tea. All welcome!

Please bring a plate to assist with catering.



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.

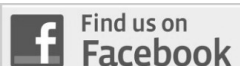
See notice board for menu suggestions.

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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You are invited



To

Fr Anthony's Installation Mass

by Archbishop

Mark Coleridge

Sunday 7 February

at the 9.00am Mass.

Meme of the week

"Have the courage to
be truly happy!"

Pope Francis



**HAVE YOU
RECENTLY MOVED?**

**HAS YOUR PHONE
NUMBER CHANGED?**

**EMAIL ADDRESS
CHANGED?**

Please contact the parish office,
either by phone 3262 2859 or
clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au,
so that we can update our parish
records. Thank you.

* HAND-in-HAND

The Summer 2015 edition of Hand-in-Hand is now available. Copies available on table in church foyer. Please take a copy home and feel free to take extra copies for your family, friends and neighbours.

* FRANKLY MAGAZINE - for sale at the Piety Stall for \$5.00 each.

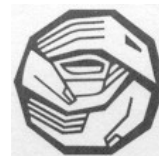
Offering informative and engaging articles by quality writers in Australia and overseas, FRANKLY has been designed to engage with ordinary people on topics that are relevant to their everyday lives. Some topics include: *Life Matters, Parenting, Relationships and Money.*

* THE LITTLE KINGS'S MOVEMENT - SPECIAL COLLECTION - Next weekend 23/24 January

The Little King's Movement once a year conducts a Door Knock and a Parish Appeal. The Movement caters for people with disabilities in social and spiritual activities. There is no Government funding and the Movement is staffed by volunteers. Each year the calls for their services are increasing. The Movement, though based on Catholic beliefs is truly ecumenical, and all members are welcomed and respected for their own beliefs. There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Movement. **Envelopes will be available next weekend.**

* THANK YOU

The Clayfield Conference of St Vincent De Paul would like to thank all Parishioners, for their generous support of the 2015 Christmas Appeal. The food donations were used in hampers delivered to needy people before Christmas. The monetary donations will go towards assisting people who call on us during 2016.



The Clayfield Conference of St Vincent de Paul meet at 5.00pm every second Monday (except Public Holidays) at the Parish Office. New members are always welcome to attend the meetings. Next meeting will be held on Monday 25 January.



With great joy we welcome *Lily Bonasia and Noah Fischer*,
who will be baptised this Sunday.

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Blue Doyle, Harry Vincent

And those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Restituta and Ismael Limas, Tan Tiam Teng, Herb Gosley, Eric O'Hagan

Those who are sick:

Trevor Elms, Fr Michael Cooney, Craig Gerran, Ken Kipping, Rosaria Fazio, Paddy Ryan Snr, Adele Walker, Paul White, Edward Clark, Cajetan Goves, Alexandra Barlow, Joshua Statis, Joyce Rodgers, Carmel See, Regina Hwan, Val Boevinlic, Deanne Du Bour, Melissa Waka, Agnes Tam, 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.

*** FAST OF NINEVEH**

Monday to Wednesday, January 18 - 20, will be the 3 days of the Fast of Nineveh for Chaldean Christians. The fast is from midnight to noon. Chaldeans Christians are an ancient tradition bases in modern day Iraq. They are suffering great persecution at the current time. As the Chaldean people enter this ancient traditional period which is sacred for them, we have the opportunity to pray to God for them. Given the current plight of many people from that region, we join in prayer solidarity. The ancient ruins of Nineveh are adjacent to modern Mosul in northern Iraq. The biblical story of fasting for Nineveh is in the Book of Jonah, chapter 3. Our local intentions will be to pray for peace and mercy in the Middle East, and for the safety and support for the Christian and other minorities of Mosul and the Nineveh Plains who have been exiled from their home. Some are currently in refugee camps in Kurdistan, others have moved to Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan and other nations. Some have drowned while making their way from Turkey to Greece. With them particularly in mind, we extend our prayer to all who suffer this exile from their homes in the Middle East. Some might like to fast, others might choose a special time of prayer each day. I offer a prayer below.

Loving God,
Over these days,
Remember those who lived in Mosul and the Nineveh Plains.
In your love for them,
Grant them freedom, peace and mercy.
Bless those who support them in the camps.
Bless those who provide food, water, clothes and security.
Open our hearts to them in their suffering.
Open our hearts to them in prayer.
Hear the cry of the people of the Middle East for peace and healing.
Hear our desire to be in prayerful solidarity with them.
Uplift those in exile and sustain them.
Grant them a safe return home.

Amen.

LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS (10 February - 26 March)

"Being Lost... Being Found" is the title of this year's Lenten program. The group will meet once a week on a day and time to be decided. Please complete and hand in the tear off slip indicating your interest.

With that information gathered we shall organise days and times. Each meeting runs for 80 minutes.



I am interested in the Lenten program:

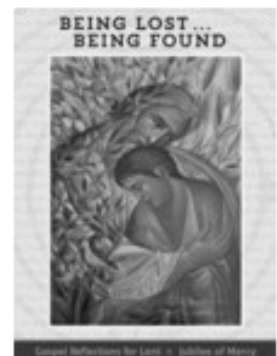
Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Day Preferred: _____

Time Preferred: _____



PARISH ROSTERS

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

6.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS

16/17 Jan

Phil Zammit
Eric van der List

Andrew Douglas
Chanelle White

Volunteer
Katrina Murphy
Wilma O'Connell

Life Teen Mass

23/24 Jan

Graham Gibson
Julie-Anne Gibson

Nick Eden
Dianne Eden

Peter Ryan
Trish Ryan
Jane Arkinstall

Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS

16/17 Jan

Jan Zammit

Paulette Archer

Deborah Hall

Life Teen Mass

23/24 Jan

Ann Goves

Lorraine Atkinson-MacEwen

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.

31 Jan

Children's Liturgy resumes

ORGANISTS:

16/17 Jan

Volunteer

Mark Leung

Catriona McPherson

Life Teen Mass

23/24 Jan

Volunteer

Mark Leung

Robyn Cuming

Life Teen Mass

SANCTUARY CARERS:

30 Jan

Santina Catalano

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

JANUARY

Tuesday 19

* Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office

Monday 25

* SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

Tuesday 26

* Australia Day Mass 9pm

Wednesday 27

* St Agatha's School resumes

* RCIA re-commences 7pm

Parish Office

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- * Vocations Brisbane unveils love-lock sculpture near St Stephen's Cathedral for Year of Mercy.
- * Toowoomba priests support family friends who are mourning the death of their 18-year-old son tragically injured after a night out in Brisbane.
- * Bishop Finnigan retires as auxiliary bishop in Brisbane.
- * Talking Point: Archbishop Mark Coleridge's Christmas homily

Readings - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 24 January 2016

1st Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21