

# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## Pentecost Sunday (Yr. B) - 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### Readings

**1st Reading:** Acts 2:1-11; **2nd Reading:** Galatians 5:16-25; **Gospel:** John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

### WEEKDAY MASSES

**Monday 21 May:** 6.30am

**Wednesday 23 May:** 9am

**Thursday 24 May:** 9am

*Our Lady, Help of Christians*

**Friday 25 May:** 9am

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 5.00pm

*(1st Rite of Reconciliation:*

*Saturday 4.30pm)*

Sunday 7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

Rosary before Mass.

### Parish Calendar

#### MAY

• **Monday 21<sup>st</sup>**

Catholics Returning Home

7.30pm Parish Office

• **Monday 28<sup>th</sup>**

SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

#### JUNE

• **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>**

P26 Mass 9am

Centenary High Tea 2-4pm

St Rita's College, Ballygriffin

Room

### First Holy Communion

Saturday 26 May 5.00pm

Sunday 27 May 9.00am

Saturday 2 June 5.00pm

Sunday 3 June at 9.00am



Pentecost Sunday

*Holy Spirit, Lord divine,  
Come, from heights of heav'n and shine,  
Come with blessed radiance bright!*

Dear Friends,

The journey towards the Plenary Council 2020 is officially launched this Pentecost Sunday. Pope Francis has given his permission for the Church in Australia to celebrate a Plenary Council in late 2020, with a second session in early 2021. A plenary council is a particular gathering of members of the church with the specific aim of making deliberative and binding decisions about the future direction of the Catholic Church in Australia. These decisions will ultimately need to be ratified by Rome. There are three phases: preparation; celebration; implementation. We are beginning the preparation phase. The aim of this preparation phase is simply to listen to as many voices as possible in response to this short yet complex question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Have a think about your answer, because soon we will be asking for your responses. And we want to cast the net as widely as possible so that the most distant and quietest voices can be heard.

Pope Francis has spoken of the need to engage in the world and respond in faith. He said: *The defining aspect of this change of epoch is that things are no longer in their place. Our previous ways of explaining the world and relationships, good and bad, no longer appears to work. The way in which we locate ourselves in history has changed. Things we thought would never happen, or that we never thought we would see, we are experiencing now, and we dare not even imagine the future. That which appeared normal to us – family, the Church, society and the world – will probably no longer seem that way. We cannot simply wait for what we are experiencing to pass, under the illusion that things will return to being how they were before.*

The journey toward Plenary Council will help us to prepare to listen to God by listening to one another. Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website now online: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au).

*Fr. Anthony*

### The Wisdom of Pope Francis

It is not healthy to love silence while fleeing interaction with others, to want peace and quiet while avoiding activity, to seek prayer while disdaining service. Everything can be accepted and integrated into our life in this world, and become a part of our path to holiness. We are called to be contemplatives even in the midst of action, and to grow in holiness by responsibly and generously carrying out our proper mission. Could the Holy Spirit urge us to carry out a mission and then ask us to abandon it, or not fully engage in it, so as to preserve our inner peace?

## Clayfield Conversations



### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 –

#### LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING.

*Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"*

*Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website now online: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au).*

*Today, Pentecost Sunday, is the official launch of the preparation phase of the Council. Below is Archbishop Mark Coleridge's encouragement and invitation to be part of the Plenary Council process.*

#### **An Invitation from Archbishop Mark Coleridge**

This year as we celebrate Pentecost we will also officially launch the journey of the Plenary Council. The journey really began back in May 2016 when the bishops decided to move towards the Council, and now after two years of preparation we are in a position to have a more formal launch. It is essential that the Plenary Council be seen not as administrative or political but as spiritual and ecclesial. The decision was made by the bishops but under the influence of the Holy Spirit; and the Holy Spirit will have to be our guide at every step of the journey. We are drawn into a process of discernment of what God is asking of us in Australia at this time, and that process will demand deep and constant prayer – a listening to God – from the entire Catholic community.

The Church was born of the Spirit at Pentecost, and we are now in search of a new birth as we look to the future. Birth can be painful and messy, but if this process is the work of the Holy Spirit it will lead to peace and hope and joy. Beyond this Pentecost launch, I urge you to enter wholeheartedly into the consultation process which now begins, so that as many voices as possible can be heard as we seek to shape the Plenary Council agenda. Keep in mind that the journey of the Council has three phases: preparation, celebration and implementation. The preparation phase has already begun; the Council will be celebrated in two sessions, one in October 2020 and the other is early 2021; and the implementation phase will stretch far beyond that.

In the Archdiocese I have convened a Plenary Council Task Force, who will promote and coordinate all our efforts at the local level and who will work closely with the national Plenary Council Executive Committee. I might also mention that in the second half of 2019 there will be an Archdiocesan Assembly to prepare for the Plenary Council, and the Archdiocesan Task Force will oversee the preparation of this. So the journey has already begun, and we pray this weekend that the Holy Spirit who has inspired us to begin this great work will guide us on the way and bring us to a point where our mind and heart are one with God's. Peace be with you. *Archbishop Mark Coleridge*

#### **SACRAMENTAL TEAM**

We would like to hear from anyone who would like to assist Jane Cameron with the formation of candidates in readiness for their Sacramental journey and to assist at the actual celebrations. Ideally we would like a team of 10 minimum which would mean that you would only be asked once or twice a year to assist. If you feel this is something you could commit to, please contact the Parish Office on 3262 2859 or email [clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au)



#### **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK | 21-27 May**

There is more pleasure in giving than in receiving. With this in mind we give thanks to all our generous volunteers who contribute so much to our community. Whether this is in small ways or large, we say "THANK YOU" to everyone who gives so freely and generously.

Read Ann Goves' "*Dedicated volunteers share load*" story in this weekend's Catholic Leader.

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION Sunday 3 June 2018 | 2.00pm**

St Stephen's Cathedral Brisbane - proceedings by Archbishop Mark Coleridge

To watch the live stream of the procession and for information regarding parish bus timetables, visit the website [www.corpuschristibrisbane.com](http://www.corpuschristibrisbane.com) or call 0412 802 122



"Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your smile." – Mother Teresa. *Founder of the Missionaries of Charity. First felt a call to religious life at age 12*

## *In our prayers we remember*



### *Those who have died recently:*

Fr Keith Teehey C.Ss.R, Iris Robinson, Fr Brian Cooper, Archbishop Leonard Faulkner, Jeff Doidge

### *Those whose anniversaries occur about now:*

Fleming & Molly Hickey, Fr Patrick Connor SVD, Neville & Rhonda Martin, Fr Peter O'Reilly SVD, Mary McBride, Ray & Bell Logan, Ethel Wallin, Peter Warda, Andrew Collier

### *Those who are sick:*

Danielle Johnson, Warwick Jones, Shirley Odenhal, Gordon Hodge, Maureen Long, Anne Seymour, Margaret-Mary Hayes, James Elliott, Paul Gaynor, Camille Butler-Storms, Mary Ann Marcelo, Isabel Leddick, Carmel Elms, Helen Orosz, Lisa Bowes, Sophia Horrocks, Mario Di Filippo, Norma Fiore, Joan Healy, Dell McHugh, Fr Michael Cooney, Ken Kipping, Paul White, Edward Clark, Joyce Rodgers, Carmel See, Regina Hwan, Val Boevinlic, Deanne Du Bour, Melissa Waka, Agnes Tam, Kerri Smith, Ann Tully, Patrick Gallagher, Eileen Clarke, Mel Purwo, Hellen Passente

## **PARISH CENTENARY RECOLLECTIONS BOOK – DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?**

Commemorating our Parish Centenary is all about the people of our Parish, past and present. We need your stories, memories, photographs, snippets, recipes. We will be collecting your contributions at each of the Masses over the next weeks. All contributions are welcome – even if it is only a few lines!

The Book of Parish Recollections will not be the same without YOUR contribution.

Please pass this onto those who have left the Parish – we would love to hear from them too.

The Book Team: [stagathacentenarybook@gmail.com](mailto:stagathacentenarybook@gmail.com)

## **CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF TYING THE KNOT**

As part of our centenary at St Agatha's, we are also planning to celebrate 100 years of *tying the knot* at the parish. By sending in your wedding image, you will have a chance to be part of a commemorative poster to mark the centenary. So if you were married at the church or know someone who was, feel free to email your wedding shot (at the church) to [stagathaweddings@gmail.com](mailto:stagathaweddings@gmail.com). Please use the following wording in the subject line of the email: "WEDDING - (YOUR SURNAME)". This will make it easier for us to keep a track of the photos. Please also include the names of the couple, their wedding date and a contact number in the email so we can get in touch. Some images may be used on our social media platforms. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Ainsley Crutcher on 0417792212.

## **GOOD READS FROM ST AGATHA'S PARISH LIBRARY**

This month we are displaying a set of books that we try to offer once a year:

“**25 BOOKS EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD READ**”. Those that will not fit on the table outside the Library are shelved together inside. The book listing and promoting these significant books is also on the table.

It gives helpful explanations of their content.

## **GIVE THE GIFT OF FAITH**

Your generosity towards St Agatha's Parish can go on forever when you include our parish endowment fund in your Will. With endowment funds, the principal is kept intact and the distributions to the parish come from growth and earnings. This provides a steady stream of income to parish ministries forever. For more information on naming St Agatha's Parish in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or the parish office.



*Congratulations to Kevin Uy and Shantelle Baltazar who were married this weekend.*

## **THE PARACLETE**

Copies of "The Paraclete" are available at the back of the Church.

With great joy we welcome *Llewellyn Meggitt* and *Ivy Scanlan* who will be baptised this weekend.



## **ANNUAL ST DYMPNA'S DAY CELEBRATIONS**

Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care invites you to the annual St Dympna's Day Celebrations to be held on Saturday 2 June. A Healing Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be concelebrated at 10.00am in St Patrick's Church 58 Morgan Street, Fortitude Valley, with the Principal Celebrant being Bishop Ken Howell. This is our annual donation day for Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible. The day will feature raffles, a lucky wheel with a variety of prizes and a cake stall.

There will be a free barbecue lunch. Parking is available in the grounds of the Church.

Enquiries: Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care Ph: 3252 5461 Email: [cppc@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cppc@bne.catholic.net.au) Website: [www.cppc.net.au](http://www.cppc.net.au)



**PARISH ROSTERS** - Please arrange a substitute if you are unavailable on your rostered day.

**5.00pm**

**7.00am**

**9.00am**

**5.30pm**

**READERS:**

19/20 May	Ann Goves Edward Foley	Rafael Chase Ruby Chase	Wilma O'Connell Amrita Moss Joseph O'Brien	Life Teen Mass
26/27 May	First Communion	Helen Roberts Kirsty Stevens	First Communion	Life Teen Mass

**COMMUNION MINISTERS:**

19/20 May	Ann Goves	Paulette Archer	Amrita Moss	Life Teen Mass
26/27 May	Volunteer	Volunteer	Julianne Ryan	Life Teen Mass

**"HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS:**

20 May	Tom & Jeannine Treston
27 May	Marjorie Wessels

**ORGANISTS:**

19/20 May	Volunteer	Volunteer	Jenny McKeon	Life Teen Mass
26/27 May	Mark Leung	Volunteer	Jenny McKeon	Life Teen Mass

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

19/20 May	Ella Shepherd Xavier Coorey Dominic Coorey	Volunteer/s	Charlotte Shepherd Felicity Shepherd Sophia Perkins	Caitlin Marshall Alex Oliveri
26/27 May	Eve Ryan Claire Ryan	Volunteer/s	Bart Marino Cebulski Milly Ryan	Max Lazzarini Sophia Lazzarini

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:**

20 May	Katrina Murphy & Naoko Leotta
27 May	No Children's Liturgy - First Communion

**SANCTUARY CARERS:**

2 June	Victor Podesta
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**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION**

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.

**IGNITE CONFERENCE 2018**

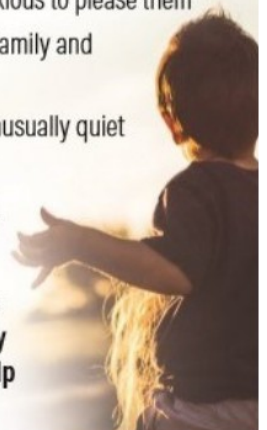
Thursday 27 September -  
Sunday 30 September  
Mueller College,  
75 Morris Rd, Rothwell  
All registrations are due  
14 September 2018. Visit:  
[www.igniteconference.com.au](http://www.igniteconference.com.au)  
for more information.



Someone experiencing domestic and family violence might:

- seem afraid of their partner or anxious to please them
- stop seeing you, other friends or family and become isolated
- become anxious or depressed, unusually quiet or less confident
- have a partner who is controlling, obsessive or jealous.

If you think someone you know is experiencing domestic and family violence find out how you can help at [rewritethestory.org.au](http://rewritethestory.org.au)



**BURNIE BRAE**

The Burnie Brae not-for-profit community organisation at Chermside is in need of pre-loved clothing items suitable for ages 50+. You can leave your pre-loved clothing items at the Parish Office during office hours or at the Church on the weekend, by the last Sunday of each month.

**St Agatha's Parish Sacramental Program 2018 - ( For all children in Year 3 and above)**

\* \* \* SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION \* \* \*

Parent Information Evening: 1 August, 6.30pm or 2 August 6.30pm APAC, St Agatha's School  
(N.B. Parents need only attend 1 of these sessions)

Rite of Enrolment: 4 & 5 August at any of the Masses

Mass times: Saturday 5.00pm; Sunday 7.00am, 9.00am & 5.30pm

For further information call Jane Cameron at the Parish office: 3262 2859 or email: [clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au)



**Readings - The Most Holy Trinity - 27 May 2018**

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; 2nd Reading: Romans 8:14-17; Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20