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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr. B) - 10th June 2018

Readings

1st Reading: Genesis 3:9-15; **2nd Reading:** 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; **Gospel:** Mark 3:20-35

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 11 June: 6.30am

Wednesday 13 June: 9am

Thursday 14 June: 9am

Friday 15 June: 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

JUNE

• Monday 11th

SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office

• Tuesday 12th

Finance Meeting 6pm Parish Office

• Monday 18th

Community and Mission Council Meeting 6.30pm Parish Office.



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH Centenary High Tea

Jesus replied, "Who are my mother and brothers?" And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother."

Dear friends,

We have arrived to one of the highlights of our centenary year as we celebrate our Centenary High Tea in the Ballygriffin Room at St. Rita's. My thanks to our hard working centenary committee who have made this occasion possible. Thanks also to the hospitality that St. Rita's have shown us in hosting the day and I would like to acknowledge the generosity of St. Rita's principal, Dale Morrow. We are very grateful. I hope that all who come along to the afternoon will enjoy the spirit of the occasion and the company of each other.

Speaking of St. Rita's, you may notice over the next 18 months or so, they will be undertaking an extensive building program. One of the old buildings will be demolished in coming weeks and a new building will be constructed over the months ahead. This building will be situated at the top of Hunter Lane. It is not anticipated that this building program will disrupt access to the parish or our primary school. However, there will be no access to St. Rita's from Hunter Lane. We wish St. Rita's well as they undertake these new works.

You may remember that earlier in the year, I mentioned the possibility of a new stained glass window project for our church. Finally, we have received the necessary permissions from the Brisbane City Council to move into our next step. While I had hoped that the new stained glass windows might be ready for our Centenary Mass in August, unfortunately this will no longer be possible. Nonetheless, we have had one very generous and anonymous donation of \$8000 to begin the process. I will have further details in coming weeks as we finalise a proposal in order to consult with the wider parish community. I have no doubt that this project will be a worthy addition to the current beauty of the church and a fitting memorial to our centenary celebrations.

Lastly, this weekend we welcome Tom Duncan, a seminarian who is in the final stages of preparation for ordination, and who will preach at a number of our Masses this weekend. I am sure that Tom would be grateful for any feedback or encouragement that you might wish to offer him. It must be time now for High Tea!

Fr. Anthony

The Wisdom of Pope Francis

If I encounter a person sleeping outdoors on a cold night, I can view him or her as an annoyance, an idler, an obstacle in my path, a troubling sight, a problem for politicians to sort out, or even a piece of refuse cluttering a public space. Or I can respond with faith and charity, and see in this person a human being with a dignity identical to my own, a creature infinitely loved by the Father, an image of God, a brother or sister redeemed by Jesus Christ.

Clayfield Conversations

In the Church's calendar, the Friday after the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is always the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which was the Friday that has just been. Below is a reflection from Australian priest, Fr. Tony Kelly on the meaning for us of this feast day.

The Sacredness of the Heart

We approach the mystery of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by acknowledging the sacredness of every human heart. In the innermost depth of everyone, beyond the masks and mirrors, the roles and images, the scripts and routines of everyday life, a unique reality is hidden: the heart; the sacred centre; holy ground. Only love can find it. Before youth has lived up to its promise, long after age has diminished beauty, strength and competence, even in the debility and defacement of disease, even in times of disgrace and failure, love--the love of parents and family, of spouses and friends, of colleagues and the nameless number of those who care about us, know that uniqueness and treasure it. It radiates in a thousand relationships from the deep centre of the heart. And only love can reveal it. What each of us loves shows what's in the heart. Our best words come from the heart. We put our hearts into our work. We reach others in a heart to heart conversation. In the heart there stirs the basic passion for existence and belonging, for to live humanly is to have a heart, and to live from the heart. If we are turned in on ourselves, our hearts becomes a lump of stone: hard, heavy, cold and dead. But, to live truly is to move outward, in a momentum of relationships, in hospitality and welcome. Through whatever love we receive and give, our hearts find their focus and home.

There was a heart once that beat and prayed and felt our plight as no other. That heart, sacred beyond all others, lived in the heartland of life, spoke words of mercy for the broken hearted, and radiated the light and warmth of a new world in which hearts could expand to their true proportion. From it flowed the stream of life's real meaning. It drew us into a realm of limitless grace and mercy with the force of a love that not even the weight of the world's agonies nor the fury of its evils, could resist. The heart of Jesus spoke words of one undivided love: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and your neighbour as yourself.' A heart for God meant a heart for everyone. 'Blessed are the pure in heart. They shall see God.' The love of the heart gives the only true vision. From the heart we see the truth of love. 'God is love, and those who love are born of God and know God.' (1 Jn 4:11).

His heart is the place of the great connection. Our feeling for God and God's feeling for us share in one circulation of life to the full. Jesus felt with the heart of God, just as he felt the pain and anguish of our human struggles. In him, the great mystery dwelt, as God lived and suffered on the inside of our humanness. The Spirit 'of the love that moves the sun and the other stars' (Dante) had formed this heart that God might suffer our sufferings and be close to all. In the vulnerability of love, our poor human hearts are lifted up into the great song of the universe. In his heart, all the mystery of God and all the travail of the universe are embodied. We never forget that the sharp iron of the soldier's spear pierced his heart; that he died and was buried; nor that he last movement of his heart was in prayer: 'Father, forgive them'. Today, we live on the other side of what happened. The Gospel speaks of blood and water flowing from the pierced heart. It still flows, living water, an unquenchable spring, life to the full. Though he is no longer with us as he once was, his heart beats now in every time and space. In him, God has come out in favour of the heart's ways, and made him 'all heart', even though we do not see his face or hear his voice. But we can feel as he feels, and pray as he prays, and love as he loves: 'You have not seen him and yet you love him; and still without seeing him you are filled with joy so great it cannot be described (1 Pt 1:8).'



SVDP WINTER APPEAL

The St Agatha's SVDP Conference are conducting its Winter Appeal during June/July. Please find envelopes on the church seats. The Conference visits people in a large area from Pinkenba to Bowen Hills, assisting families and single people, with food vouchers, clothing and furniture. Any donations will be gratefully appreciated. Please use the envelopes provided.

If paying by cheque, please make it payable to
"St Agatha's Clayfield SVDP Conference".

Thank you on behalf of the people that the SVDP assist.

Living the gospel

Who is my mother or brother?

At the end of today's gospel passage, Jesus states, 'Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.' Family bonds were critically important in 1st Century Palestine. Jesus does not deny his family kinship, but expands it to include anyone who does the will of God. All those who work to bring about the Kingdom or Reign of God share a bond with Jesus, they share a familial link with him. Whenever we act to bring about God's dream for this world, we join our efforts with those of our brother, Jesus.

NORTH EAST DEANERY YOUTH DAY

Join with youth and young adults (12 -30 years old) from across North East Brisbane to celebrate the Year of Youth. The Day will be facilitated by Br Damien Price, Greg Sunter and the Passionist Youth Team, and will include discussions, activities, the sharing of food, and the celebration of Mass. Saturday 28 July from 8:30 to 4pm at St Joseph's Bracken Ridge. Cost \$5. Please register by 20 July 2018 at www.trybooking.com/VJYQ.

Enquiries: nedyouthday@gmail.com

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently :

Stuart Pascoe

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Maureen Williams, Cecily Dobson, Gloria McKenzie

Those who are sick:

Gary Balkin, Peter Madden, 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:

stagathascenentarybook@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 stagathasweddings@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

We have culled some duplicate, but still interesting, books from the library shelves and you may purchase them for a gold coin. They are on a table to the right of the library door. Just drop your coin donation into the bowl.

ST AGATHA'S CENTENARY WINE / MERCHANDISE

If you would like to order a bottle/case of St Agatha's Centenary Wine or Centenary Merchandise or perhaps order one of our "great" valued packs, please complete order forms found on table at the back of the church and email to Parish Office. *There are only three cases of centenary red left, so don't miss out!!*



In this *Year of Youth* Aggies Youth and the NET team present an encounter day to help young people explore how they can transform and impact the world through their lives. What change do you want to see in the world? In your community?

AGENTS OF CHANGE

Join the dynamic young team on Sunday 24 June 2018 at the presentation centre at St Agatha's Primary School, behind the church at 52 Oriel Road.

WHO: All High School Students

WHEN: Sunday 24 June 2018 - 10am to 1pm
(with morning tea and lunch)

COST: FREE

Register at: <https://www.stickytickets.com.au/70350>

PIETY STALL/PARISH LIBRARY

Variety of items for sale including Rosary Beads, Bracelets, Youth Bibles, Holy Picture Plaques and various cards for birthdays, sympathy and thank you. Feel free to also browse the lending library before and after Mass. These books are available for LENDING ONLY and NOT for sale.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE

(Winter 2018 Edition) is now available.

Please take a copy home today.

ANNUAL PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Weekend of 30 June/1 July

And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. – MARK 3:25

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



5.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS:

9/10 June Graham Gibson Andrew Douglas St Agatha's P26 Mass Life Teen Mass
Julie-Anne Gibson Jenny Close

16/17 June Marian Nolan Nick Eden Trish Ryan Life Teen Mass
Ann Goves Dianne Eden Dominic Ryan
Clare Smethurst

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

9/10 June Jan Zammit Volunteer Volunteer Life Teen Mass
16/17 June Volunteer Paulette Archer Amrita Moss Life Teen Mass

"HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS:

10 June Anna Coventry
17 June Karen Birtles

ORGANISTS:

9/10 June Volunteer Volunteer Jenny McKeon/ Paul Fiumara Life Teen Mass

16/17 June Volunteer Volunteer Robyn Cuming Life Teen Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

9/10 June Daniel Benjamin Joseph Douglas Bridget Birchley Tia Manuel
Chelsy Waller Sharon Mathew

16/17 June Ella Shepherd Volunteer/s Joy Kordic Caitlin Marshall
Xavier Coorey Sophia Perkins Alex Oliveri
Dominic Coorey

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

10 June No Children's Liturgy - P26 Mass
17 June Erin Bledsoe and Michelle Wille

SANCTUARY CARERS:

17 Feb Beverley O'Brien

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 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month

For bookings and further information, please phone the parish office on 3262 2859.

POSITION VACANT – PARISH FINANCE OFFICER

Applications are open for a Parish Finance Officer position at the Jubilee Catholic Parish, Paddington, Brisbane. A person with excellent financial experience and skills is required on a part time basis, for 3 days per week. The days required to be worked will be Monday to Wednesday. Applications close: Monday 18 June, 2018. For additional information, please phone Fr Gerry Kalinowski at the parish office (phone 3369 5351) or visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.



"Tell everybody that God grants graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary." – Blessed Jacinta Marto, 10 year old - Youngest saint who did not die as a martyr.

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

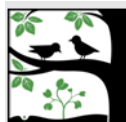
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Parent Information Evening: 1 August, 6.30pm or 2 August 6.30pm APAC, St Agatha's School
(N.B. Parents need only attend **one** of these sessions)

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



Readings - Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time - 17 June 2018

1st Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Gospel: Mark 4:26-34