



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 17th February 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 18 February: 6.30am
Wednesday 20 February: 9am
Thursday 21 February: 9am
Friday 22 February: 9am
The Chair of Saint Peter

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.00pm
(1st Rite of Reconciliation:
Saturday 4.30pm)
Sunday 7.00am
9.00am
5.30pm

Rosary before Mass.

Parish Calendar

FEBRUARY

Monday 18th

SVPD Meeting
5pm Parish Office

Tuesday 19th

Finance Meeting 6pm
Parish Office



One of the most important tasks entrusted to any Parish is the handing on of our sacramental tradition. The Christian faith and the Catholic tradition particularly places high importance on being sacramental. This essentially means that God, incarnate in Jesus Christ, reveals God's own self to us in tangible ways and through our human senses. Water, oil, light, incense, bread, wine and the Word of God proclaimed are some of the means by which we can participate in the life of God. These elements in themselves are not divine but they are indeed means by which God reveals God's self to us. It follows then that the Parish Sacramental program is a high priority in the Parish Calendar and requires the involvement of every member.

This week there is a Parent/Guardian meeting whose children will prepare for the Sacrament of Penance. While this sacrament is offered to children before their Holy Communion it involves very simple preparation. The Sacramental Policy of Brisbane Archdiocese states that the main preparation for this sacrament occurs for children who are aged ten years or older. It is considered that at this age they have a better understanding of the Sacrament of Penance.

I invite all of us to pray for the children and their families over these coming weeks. It is in the midst of family that we learn to say sorry and treasure unconditional love and forgiveness. So too do families hand on to their children the importance of God's unconditional love and forgiveness for us in the Sacrament of Penance.

The Community and Mission Council also meet this Monday evening. This Council discusses issues that are important in the life of the Parish. They are also an important means for the Pastor, especially if he is recently appointed, to hear from parishioners about the concerns they may have or initiatives they believe should be considered. Please speak with a Council member or contact the Parish Office if there is a matter you believe should be considered at this time.

God bless,
Fr Kevin.

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle - 22 February

The chair (cathedra) of a bishop is a pre-eminent sign of his teaching authority and pastoral oversight of a local Church. This feast, observed in Rome since the fourth century, celebrates Peter, first among the apostles, as founder of the See of Rome and the focus of unity in the communion of one faith.

St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr - 23 February

Born about the year 69. Died on this day about 155 at Smyrna (Turkey), where he had been the beloved and respected bishop. A disciple of Saint John the apostle (27 December) who wrote to the Philippians to strengthen their faith and to defend the Church against heresy. Remembered because of the account of his martyrdom for his fearless acknowledgment of Christ, and honoured as one of the apostolic fathers of the Church.

Clayfield Conversations

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

UNDERSTANDING THE WORD - The Beatitudes in Luke

Luke's Beatitudes are part of a longer instruction (6:17-49) sometimes called 'The Sermon on the Plain' (as opposed to Matthew's more famous Sermon on the Mount). The major theme of this sermon is discipleship: notice that Luke has Jesus addressing 'his disciples'.

As an instruction on discipleship it is noteworthy that Luke begins with words of blessing rather than a call to action. In Jesus' first sermon (OT 3) he had declared that he has come to 'bring good news to the poor' (4:18). In the Beatitudes Jesus announces the good news that the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful, and the hated are blessed by God. Blessing precedes the demands of discipleship. Earlier both Mary and Zechariah were richly blessed and they raised their voices in praise (1:46-55, 68-79).

When compared to Matthew's version of the Beatitudes certain of Luke's favourite themes become evident. Unlike Matthew who spiritualises ('the poor in spirit . . . those who hunger and thirst for righteousness'; Matt 5:3, 6), Luke addresses the materially poor. He further emphasises the material aspect of poverty by adding four 'woes' (not found in Matthew's Beatitudes) which announce judgment on the wealthy. But why does God so favour the poor? Because this is how God always acts: 'The hungry he has filled with good things; the rich he has sent away empty' (1:53). And so those who have nothing now will inherit the Kingdom. This is unmerited blessing, an offer of mercy, the gift of salvation.

In the second and third Beatitudes Luke's theme of reversal is evident: the hungry will be satisfied, the weeping will laugh. In a sense, these two Beatitudes heighten the scandal of the first, for the condition of the poor will not be reversed: they will not become materially wealthy. On the one hand, this again emphasises the material aspect of poverty. But more shockingly, it shows the superabundance of God's gift: from poverty to the Kingdom! Jesus will later dramatise this teaching in his famous parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man (Luke 16:19-31). The poor are blessed indeed!

.... Liturgia

ST AGATHA'S CHURCH, CLAYFIELD

(AMENDED 5 February)

RECONCILIATION PREPARATION PROGRAM FOR 2019

Parent Night	Monday 18 February, 6pm in the Church Please bring \$25 enrolment fee in a sealed envelope with your <u>child's name on it</u> . You will receive your child's pack which includes the enrolment form, workbook etc. (Parents only attend this session)
Enrolment Weekend	Sat/Sun 23/24 February at any of the Masses Children to bring their completed Enrolment form to hand in.
1st Group Session – 9am Mass	Sunday 3 March 9am Mass APAC Chapters 1 & 2 have to have been completed by this date.
2nd Group session – 9am Mass	Sunday 10 March 9am Mass APAC Chapter 3 has to have been completed by this date.
Practice	Monday 18 March 6pm in the Church 1 Parent/Guardian to attend with child. Chapter 4 has to have been completed by this date and books handed in at this session.
First Rite of Reconciliation	Saturday, 23 March 3.45pm Monday 25 March 3.30pm Thursday, 28 March 6.00pm Saturday 30 March 3.45pm (N.B. These dates are all TBC depending on numbers enrolled.)

LIFE TEEN MASS

EVERY 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. If you would like to help with music or singing just talk to the musicians.

Phone Anne O'Connor:

3256 6013 or 0419796988. Visit Aggies

Youth: <https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth>

[aggiesyouth](https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth)

Join us for refreshments on Sunday
17 February after the 5.30pm Mass.



2019

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE *Shorncliffe*

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for boys from Year 5 to Year 12.

Now accepting Applications
for Year 7, 2021

Interviews in March, 2019

Register on line now at
stpatricks.qld.edu.au



With great joy we welcome
Indiana Kesby who will be
baptised this weekend.



A VOCATION VIEW: Try not to pray for an easy life;
rather, pray to be a strong person.
Strong in trust, hope, care, love. Follow the Master.

THE LITTLE KINGS'S MOVEMENT APPEAL

The Little King's Movement once a year conducts a Parish Appeal and a Door Knock supported by some Catholic Schools. 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. If at this time you are unable to help financially you may be able to give of your time or talents, if so please contact the Movement 3391 1432 or email: lkm67@bigpond.net.au. **Envelopes available on the seats.**

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Ron Taylor, Mary Reilly, Una Reilly

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Patrick Rebgetz, Peter Howard, Myrtle Brumpton, Les Brumpton, Arthur Brumpton, Sr Marcella Claffey

Those who are sick:

James McKeon, Joseph Tam, Harrison (Harry) Wiseman, Bryan Weaver, Val Barrett, Lorraine Douglas, Alexander Clark, Rosemary Douglas, Danielle Johnson, Gordon Hodge, Maureen Long, Anne Seymour, James Elliott, 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, Ken Kipping, Paul White, Edward Clark, Carmel See, Regina Hwan, Val Boevinlic, Deanne Du Bour, Melissa Waka, Agnes Tam, Kerri Smith, Ann Tully, Patrick Gallagher, Mel Purwo, Hellen Passente

Reminder to let us know when names are no longer required to be shown on the sick list.

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.

CENTENARY MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

White wine, Sparkling or Port \$15 a bottle; Hessian bags \$10
Tea towels \$10; Shopping lists \$2; Pens \$1.50; Keyrings \$2.50
Fridge magnets \$1.50
Pen, keyring and fridge magnet \$5
Order forms are available at the back of the Church.
Please complete and email or drop off to the Parish Office.

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. 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:

stagathascentenarybook@gmail.com



St Agatha's
Parish School, Clayfield

OPEN DAY

Friday 15th March, 2019 • 9am-10.30am

6 Hunter Lane, Clayfield Q 4011 | P 3326 9222 | www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au



School tours
are available

Assembly
will be held at 9am
in the Presentation
Centre

Friday 15 March
9am-10.30am

**Meet the
Principal**
Mrs Carol Sayers

**Light
refreshments**
will be served
during the Open
Day



**Visit
classrooms**
from Prep to Year 6

School choir
will perform



LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS

(6 March - 17 April)

"*Compassion*" is the title of this year's Lenten program. The Lenten reflection group will commence on Wednesday 6 March 7pm Parish Office, and will continue each Wednesday until 17 April.

Please call or email Parish Office if you are interested in attending. Each meeting runs for approx. 80 minutes.

Catholic Schools Guide 2019

available at the back of the Church.
Please feel free to take a copy.

Growth Friendship Faith

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

The last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937. It has been more than 80 years since we gathered all of the Church together and much has changed. In 2020, we will have a Plenary Council about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

What are we called to do? Who are we called to be? How do we need to change?

The journey toward the Plenary Council will help us to prepare to listen to God

by listening to one another. We invite all people to engage, to be a part of the listening and dialogue encounter in the next two years. <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

PARISH ROSTERS

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

5.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS:

16/17 Feb

Graham Gibson
Julie-Anne Gibson

Aleira Egan
Sr Cecily Foster

Lauren Mitchell
Trish Ryan
Jane Arkinstall

Life Teen Mass

23/24 Feb

Jack Williamson
Volunteer

Anne O'Connor
Annette Riba

Dan Butler
Volunteer
Eileen Duncan

Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

16/17 Feb

Edward Foley

Volunteer

Amrita Moss

Life Teen Mass

23/24 Feb

Christine Iannarella

Volunteer

Volunteer

Life Teen Mass

"HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS:

17 Feb

Geraldine Swindells

24 Feb

Georgia Allan

ORGANISTS:

16/17 Feb

Volunteer

Volunteer

Jenny McKeon

Life Teen Mass

23/24 Feb

Volunteer

Volunteer

Robyn Cuming

Life Teen Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

16/17 Feb

Billy Crutcher
Ella Shepherd

Lachlan Hinneberg

Sophia Perkins
Max Elliott

Ella Shepherd
Alex Oliveri

23/24 Feb

Daniel Benjamin
Sofia Iannarella

Joseph Douglas

Tia Manuel

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

17 Feb

Mel Ryan and Erin Bledsoe

24 Feb

Ewan McPherson and Lisa Sos

SANCTUARY CARERS:

2 Mar

Victor Podesta

BAPTISMS

We celebrate baptisms on the
3rd and 4th Sundays of the month.

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



ST AGATHA'S SCHOOL PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2020

APPLICATIONS FOR NON SIBLINGS

If you have a **Prep** child born between 1/7/14 –
30/6/15, they are eligible to commence Prep in 2020.
The enrolment process for Prep 2020 commences at
the beginning of 2019.

PREP NON SIBLING APPLICATIONS CLOSE – MONDAY 18th MARCH, 2019.

Please note all applications are submitted online via
our website www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au.
If you would like your child included in the enrol-
ments for Prep 2020 please register online.

Little Black Books \$4.00 each
for sale at the Piety Stall.

*Six-minute meditations on the
Sunday Gospels of Lent (Cycle C).*

"Blessed are you when people hate you, exclude and insult you,
and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." (Luke 6:22)

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 1 March 2019, 10am

**St Augustine's Anglican Church,
Hamilton**

'SLOVENIA'

Come - Everything is Ready

The Clayfield/Hamilton Committee invite you to
join in 2019 World Day of Prayer. Your church has
been a member of the Clayfield/Hamilton
Committee for many years and would love as many
parishioners as possible to join in this ecumenical
service to pray for our overseas Christian Family
and the people of Slovenia in particular. World Day
of Prayer Queensland Offerings will go to the
"Trauma Counselling for Women" project run by
the Bible Societies of Australia and
Slovenia. Morning tea and warm Christian
fellowship will be provided in the St Augustine's
Church Hall after the Service.

www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

Please contact Mary Nicholls phone: 0408080723 Mother of Mercy
Parish (St Cecelia's Hamilton & Our Lady Help of Christian's Hendra)



Readings - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 24 February 2019

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Gospel: Luke 6:27-38