

# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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# Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year C) - 19 May 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Acts 14:21-27; 2nd Reading: Revelation 21:1-5; Gospel: John 13:31-35

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 20 May: 6.30am All Public Holidays: 9am Wednesday 22 May: 9am Thursday 23 May: 9am Friday 24 May: 9am Our Lady, Help of Christians

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

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

9.00am

5.30pm

Rosary before Mass.

## Parish Calendar

Saturday 25 May First Communions 5pm Mass Sunday 26 May First Communions 9am Mass Monday 27th

**SVDP** Meeting 5pm Parish Office

> **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER** WEEK **MAY 20 - 26**

**OUR VOLUNTEERS** ARE AT THE **HEART** OF **EVERYTHING WE DO** 



For many years now in parish life there has been an increasing responsibility taken by lay men and women for ministry and mission in the church. In pastoral outreach such as hospital or prison chaplaincy, parish work such as visitation to the sick and sacramental preparation as well as parish administration such as management roles and accountancy have been capably filled by qualified lay people in paid or voluntary positions. In parish prayer and worship we now presume that leadership roles in Proclaiming the Word, Holy Communion ministry, leading Liturgy of the Word services and Prayer of the Church involve the participation of the Faithful.

Decreasing numbers of those who attend Sunday worship puts a strain on those important human resources and parish ministries. At St Agatha's the current Sunday Mass Roster is more a "wish list" than a reliable list of available ministers. Parishioners rightly wonder why Mass does not commence on time when stressed coordinators are trying to seek out Readers and Communion Ministers moments before Mass is supposed to commence. Sadly I believe this unnecessary chaos sends a message of "do we care" about what we are celebrating and how sincerely do we respect the community of faith that is gathered.

Are there too many Masses on Sunday at St Agatha's for the number of people who attend and for which the community can provide ministers? Musicians, Readers and Holy Communion ministers cannot cover the number of Masses at present without people serving nearly every weekend and doing several ministries at each Mass. This is a matter I will ask the CMC members to discuss at their next meeting.

In the meantime these are the Ministers who are required at Mass to serve the Liturgy of the Word:

One person to **Welcome** parishioners and visitors to the community and who also reads the Prayers of the Faithful.

One person to Proclaim the Reading from the Acts of the Apostles or Old Testament.

One person to **Proclaim the Epistle.** 

If you feel you are able to participate in these ministries please contact me or the Parish Office and details regarding training and preparation will be made available. A very sincere thank you to the many ministers who willingly serve the community so generously every week.

God bless, Fr Kevin

# Clayfield Conversations

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter

#### The Book of Glory

John's gospel is usually divided into two main sections: The Book of Signs (1:19-12:5; see Sunday 2) and the Book of Glory (13:1-20:31). In turn the Book of Glory begins with The Last Discourse of Jesus, i.e., the final speech which he makes to his disciples during a rather protracted Last Supper (13:1-17:26). This gospel, then, is from the beginning of the Book of Glory and the beginning of the Last Discourse.

The theme of 'glory' which gives its name to this entire section of the gospel is stressed in the first two verses of this Sunday's gospel. The context is crucial: as the text indicates, Judas, the betrayer, has just left the Last Supper table. John tells us that 'Satan had entered him' (13:27) and that when Judas left, 'It was night' (13:30). The betrayal is the work of Satan, the triumph of darkness. But only apparently, for at that exact moment Jesus announces that the Son of Man is glorified! For John the death of Jesus is his moment of victory: 'when I am lifted up from the earth (i.e, on the cross), I will draw everyone to myself' (12:32). Thus the Book of Glory will come to an end when Jesus has accomplished his mission by dying, rising, and ascending. This is another meaning of being 'lifted up' - to ascend to heaven (20:17).

For Jesus 'to be glorified' means two different but related things. First, it is to receive praise or honour from God; this is the only honour worth anything, for 'glory' received from humans is worthless (5:41; 7:18). Second, 'glory' in the Old Testament is a visible manifestation of the invisible God - his radiant presence. Jesus, the Word made flesh (1:14), is the visible presence of God or the glory of God incarnate. 'To be glorified' is to reveal the presence of God at work in him: 'God is glorified in him' (13:31). The moment of ultimate glorification, and the climax of 'The Book of Glory', is the death-resurrection-ascension of Jesus. The betrayal sets glorification into motion... *Liturgia*.

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK | 20 - 26 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.

Postcards with a message from the Most Rev Mark Coleridge are available at the back of the Church.

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We appreciate all our volunteers who have complied with the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Policy in completion of all the necessary paperwork. However, there still remains a number of volunteers to either return or complete various applications deemed necessary for active ministry and would ask those concerned to give the task their most urgent attention. Volunteers can now access all necessary compliance information and forms relevant to their ministry online at: <a href="http://archbne.org/welcome">http://archbne.org/welcome</a>. Contact the Parish Office if you need assistance in the completion of any of the forms. We are more than happy to help. Thank you again for your continued support and patience throughout this process.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Good Friday Collection for 2019.

A total of \$665.00 was raised from St Agatha's Parish.

#### 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



FOR MORE INFORMATION BROCHURES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

# In our prayers we remember

#### Those who have died recently:

Ann Tully, Bill Williams, Geronimo Obe

#### Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Peter Warda, Gloria McKenzie, Andrew Collier

#### Those who are sick:

Flynn Crowley, Lyndell Sawyer, Thea Hoffmann, Ray Pavey, Michael Cashman, Donald Morrisson, James McKeon, Joseph Tam, 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, Deanne Du Bour, Melissa Waka, Agnes Tam, Kerri Smith, Mel Purwo, Patrick Gallagher, Hellen Passente

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



#### 115 Turner Road, Kedron - 3357 7028 www.delamoreretirement.com.au OPEN DAY 2019

Sunday 9 June -10.30am to 12.00noon Discover Kedron's best kept secret. You'll love this boutique retirement community, offering residents a peaceful and beautiful environment.



#### **BRISBANE 26 - 29 SEPTEMBER** BROCHURES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbour" when he may be someone I don't like; someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.



#### POLICY STATEMENT

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

Position Vacant – Parish Secretary (Job Share)

Applications are open for a position at St Benedict's Parish, Northlakes. Candidates with excellent administration and secretarial skills are required for a job share position of parish secretary for 18.2 hours a week. One candidate will be required to work Monday to Wednesday and the other candidate will be required to work Wednesday to Friday. For additional information, please 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.

# Prayer to end domestic and family violence

We pray today for those members of our community whose lives are impacted by domestic and family violence.

Protect vulnerable families whose lives are impacted by violence.

Help us to understand their experiences and support them in this time of need.

Care for those people working with victims of domestic and family violence, that their good work may continue and their wellbeing be supported.

May we shape our young people to value one another, so that they may have respectful Brisbane and safe relationships into the future.

God of healing, hear our prayer.

Amen.



If you or someone you know is in immediate danger call 000.

#### **Support from Centacare**

Centacare's domestic and family violence services support people experiencing violence.

Contact your local service for support:

Gold Coast 5527 7211 3251 5000

Sunshine Coast 5430 9300

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4162 5439 4194 0172

Fraser Coast

PARISH ROSTERS - Please arrange a substitute if you are unavailable on your rostered day. 5.00pm 7.00am 9.00am 5.30pm **READERS:** Wilma O'Connell 18/19 May Jack Williamson **Sr Cecily Foster** Life Teen Mass **Phil Zammit** Anne O'Connor Volunteer Life Teen Mass Clare Smethurst Annette Riba To be confirmed Life Teen Mass 25/26 May Cate Barrett **Kirsty Stevens** To be confirmed Life Teen mass **COMMUNION MINISTERS:** 18/19 May Jan Zammit Volunteer Erin Bledsoe Life Teen Mass 25/26 May **Deborah Hall** Volunteer Volunteer Life Teen Mass "HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS: **19 May** Geraldine Swindells 26 May Marjorie Wessels **ORGANISTS:** 18/19 May Volunteer Jenny McKeon Life Teen Mass Volunteer 25/26 May Patricia Marszalek Volunteer Patricia Marszalek Life Teen Mass ALTAR SERVERS: 18/19 May Volunteer/s Volunteer/s **Daniel Benjamin** Caitlin Marshall **Thomas Benjamin** 25/26 May Volunteer/s Volunteer/s Volunteer/s **Bart Marino** Amelia Marino **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 19 May No Children's Liturgy 26 May No Children's Liturgy - First Communions **SANCTUARY CARERS:** Victor Podesta

BAPTISMS We celebrate baptisms 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.

#### May is Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month.

Prayer and wallet cards are available at the back of the Church.

Prayer card - to pray for people experiencing domestic and family violence

Wallet card - contains information about domestic and family violence, signs of someone who may be experiencing it and what one can do to help.

# ST AGATHA'S PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - 2019 (For all abildren in Voca 4 that have been Confirmed)

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#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES

Saturday 25th May at 5.00pm Sunday 26th May at 9.00am Saturday 1st June at 5.00pm Sunday 2nd June at 9.00am

For further information, call Jane Cameron at the Parish office: 3262 2859 or email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

#### CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD

All Children from Prep to Year 4 are invited to attend Children's Liturgy of the Word held during term only on the 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays of every month at the 9.00am Mass. Any Children of pre-school age must be accompanied by an adult.

#### **TWO-MINUTE HOMILIES**

Priests from around the
Archdiocese are preparing
"Two Minute Homilies" and
uploading them on social media
platforms on a weekly basis now.
To view or listen (at your leisure)
to a podcast please visit
http:// brisbanecatholic.org.au/
multimedia/two-minutehomilies/

Congratulations to
Simon Latham and
Elizabeth Anderson
who were married this weekend.

#### MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

If you would like information about annulments and re-marriage in the Catholic Church, please phone the Brisbane Tribunal Office on 3324 3033 or email <a href="mailto:tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au">tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au</a>. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan Website: <a href="http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/marriage-annulments/">http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/marriage-annulments/</a>



Readings - Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C) - 26 May 2019
1st Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; 2nd Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; Gospel: John 14:23-29