

# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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# The Ascension of the Lord (Year C) - 2 June 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

NO 6.30am Monday Mass NO 9.00am Wednesday Mass Thursday 6 June: 9am Friday 7 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** Sunday 9th Children's Mass 9am Monday 10th **SVDP** Meeting 5pm Parish Office



Congratulations to all the children receiving their First Holy Communion at the 5pm and 9am Masses this weekend.

Again this weekend our congratulations to the young people of the parish who receive Holy Communion for the first time. It is a very special time for you and your families and we pray that you will always grow in the love of Jesus who you receive in this wonderful Sacrament. It is great to see the topic of faith and its place in the public forum being discussed so openly at the moment. Such a discussion does mean that people of faith now and into the future must be well informed about their beliefs and strengthened in those same beliefs and convictions. May the Eucharist be for us and the first communicants an ongoing source of nourishment and strength.

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From Monday I will be on leave which will continue until the second week in July. For most of the time I am away I will be attending courses in preparation for full time ministry at Holy Spirit Seminary which is scheduled at this stage to commence next year. I will also be attending a conference in Rome with other staff members which again will be discussing priestly formation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The weekend Mass timetable will remain the same however; the weekday Mass timetable will change. As from this week Mass will be celebrated at St Agatha's Church every Thursday and Friday only at 9.00am. I am very grateful to the priests who will be visiting St Agatha's in the following weeks so as to make the celebration of the Eucharist available.

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Please be aware that the Sacrament of Penance is now celebrated in a Reconciliation Room which has recently been made available in St Agatha's. An updated Confessional which became a storeroom has been brought up to compliance with the installation of clear glass which is now a requirement. I believe this is a better venue rather than the priest's vestry which has been used for several years. If someone visits you to have a serious conversation you would not take them into the Butler's Pantry. Therefore, the significance of the wonderful Sacrament of Penance requires a fitting place in which the sacrament is celebrated. On those occasions where there is a group of children celebrating individual confession such as a school celebration or First reconciliation then provision must be made for this to take place in the sanctuary of the Church or some other public space.

The Sacrament of Penance is available every Saturday at St Agatha's at 4.30pm.

God bless, Fr Kevin

# Clayfield Conversations

#### Ascension of the Lord

### Major themes conclude Luke's gospel

In the conclusion of his gospel Luke recaps some of his favourite themes. Luke had begun by calling his gospel 'a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us'; he concludes by having Jesus indicate that his suffering, death, and resurrection have fulfilled God's plan, as 'it is written'. The fulfilment of past promises proves the reliability of his predictions for the future, namely, the preaching of the gospel to all nations and the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Similarly, the ministry of John the Baptist began with his 'proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins'. Jesus continued this theme of John's preaching ('I have not come to call the righteous to repentance but sinners') and now he sends his disciples to preach 'repentance for the forgiveness of sins'.

The disciples' mission will proceed orderly: it will begin in Jerusalem and extend to all nations. This reflects Luke's assurance that the promises of God to the Jews have not been abandoned but fulfilled; and once fulfilled, the good news of salvation can reach out to others as well.

As Jesus departs he imparts blessing. Luke stresses this by using the word twice in verses 51 and 52. Jesus had begun his great Sermon on the Plain with words of blessing: 'Blessed are you who are poor'. The mission the disciples are about to undertake begins with their having been blessed.

Finally, the disciples return to Jerusalem in great joy. Joy is one of Luke's major themes. In Jerusalem they are in the Temple constantly praising God. All these themes testify to God's actions; the disciples are now sent as witness to this good news..... *Liturgia.* 

## CHANGE TO WEEKDAY MASSES

For the month of June (starting Monday 3rd), weekday Masses will only be celebrated on Thursday and Friday mornings at 9.00am. There will be **NO** 6.30am Mass on Mondays or 9.00am Mass on Wednesdays.



### **SVDP WINTER APPEAL 2019**

The St Agatha's SVDP Conference are conducting its **Winter Appeal.** 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".

### FLOWER GIRLS - CORPUS CHRISTI.

Corpus Christi organisers are looking for girls aged 10 to 18 to take part in the Corpus Christi procession Sunday 23 June as flower girls. Girls will need to wear a white dress or a black skirt and white blouse. If interested please contact Kylie on 041 3218673 or kylie.barros@gmail.com ASAP.

## 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: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth">https://www.facebook.com/aggiesyouth</a> Join us for supper after the 5.30pm Mass this Sunday 2 June.



FOR MORE INFORMATION BROCHURES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

# In our prayers we remember

# Those who have died recently:

John McKnoulty, Leo Dempsey, Fr Jack Soulsby, Josie Hegarty, Illa Beckmann

#### Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Cecily Dobson, Santo Catalano, Lila Russell, Lionel Russell, Lily Best, Helena Lewandowska

### Those who are sick:

Delphine Schultz, Michael Blanchard, Colleen Smythe, Flynn Crowley, Lyndell Sawyer, Thea Hoffmann, Ray Pavey, Michael Cashman, Donald Morrisson, James McKeon, Joseph Tam, Bryan Weaver, 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.

# HOLY SPIRIT CRUSADE

"All is possible if you believe" (Mk 9:23)

Be filled with the Spirit! Expect signs, wonders and miracles. A powerful retreat not to be missed!

# AWAKEN PENTECOST RETREAT

Sunday 9th June 2019

10.30am to 8.30pm (Registration opens at 9.30am)

Where: Greek Orthodox Memorial Hall 269 Creek Road, Mt Gravatt East



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Suggested donation of \$50 for catering and hall hire. Under 16 yrs old are free.

Registration/RSVP: David by 3rd June

Ph: 0437006264 or

email: registration@awaken.org.au online: awaken.org.au/pentecostretreat2019

Fr Kevin will be away from Monday 3 June. We wish Fr Kevin safe travels.

### FUN & SIMPLE EXERCISE FOR SENIORS

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Welcoming environment

Gentle exercise to music

Simple techniques – sitting and standing

Heathy body + Healthy Mind = Happy Life



Tuesday's 9:00am & 10:15am

Friday's 9:00am & 10:15am

(all sessions go for 1 hour)

At St Mark's church in the hall, Bellevue Terrace, Clayfield.

For further information please contact Susan

Ph: 0402 188 505

### ST AGATHA'S NATIONAL TRUST APPEAL

If you would like to contribute to St Agatha's National Trust Appeal before the end of financial year, please make you donation through the National Trust website at: <a href="https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate/?donation\_state=Queensland">www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate/?donation\_state=Queensland</a>

# Donate

As an independent organisation we rely on gifts like yours. Without the generosity of Australians who care for and value our heritage, the history and culture we treasure would be lost.

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gifts for sale at the
Piety Stall.

PARISH ROSTERS - Please arrange a substitute if you are unavailable on your rostered day. 9.00am 5.00pm 7.00am 5.30pm **READERS:** Life Teen Mass 1/2 June **Libby Baynton** Nick Eden **Chanelle White** Suzanne Johnston Dianne Eden **Stephanie White 8/9 June** Graham Gibson **Sr Cecily Foster Don Macpherson** Life Teen Mass Julie-Anne Gibson Andrew Douglas To be confirmed **COMMUNION MINISTERS:** 1/2 June **Edward Foley** Volunteer Volunteer Life Teen Mass 8/9 June **Christine Iannarella** Volunteer Julianne Ryan Life Teen Mass "HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS: 2 June Lisa Carter 9 June **Anna Coventry ORGANISTS:** 1/2 June Patricia Marszalek Volunteer Patricia Marszalek Life Teen Mass Life Teen Mass **8/9 June** Volunteer Volunteer **Robyn Cuming and** Paul Fiumara **ALTAR SERVERS:** Alex Oliveri Volunteer/s Lachlan Hinneberg Volunteer/s **1/2 June** 8/9 June Sofia Iannarella Volunteer/s Volunteer/s Tia Manuel **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 2 June No Children's Liturgy - First Communions No Children's Liturgy - Children's Mass 9 June **SANCTUARY CARERS:** Victor Podesta 6 July

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.

### ST AGATHA'S PARISH CHILDREN'S MASS SUNDAY 9 JUNE 9AM

All children in grades Prep to Year 6 are invited to participate in the Children's Mass at 9am on Sunday 9 June. At the Mass, children are asked to welcome people as they arrive, read, bring the gifts to the Altar and collecting. If your child/children would like to participate please phone the Parish office on 3262 2859 or email: <a href="mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au">clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au</a> by no later than the Tuesday 4 June. Morning tea afterwards. We look forward to seeing you there. All welcome.

**EUCHARIST** The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of Christian life. Since its institution at the Last Supper, the Church has been entrusted with the memorial of Christ's sacrifice and resurrection until he comes again. By active and wholehearted participation in the Mass, faith is nourished and strengthened.

The Eucharist is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. It is the summit of the Church's activity and the source of grace for Christian living. In the Eucharist the Church is instructed by the Word of God and nourished at the table of the Lord so that all are drawn into closer union with God and each other.

# 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.

# ANNUAL ST DYMPNA'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Saturday June 8 at St Patrick's Church in the Valley (58 Morgan Street, Fortitude Valley).

The day includes a Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick concelebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at 10.00am, followed by a free barbecue lunch, raffles, a lucky wheel and cake stall. This is the annual donation day for Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care. All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible.

### 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 - Pentecost Sunday (Year C) - 9 June 2019 1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11; 2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-17; Gospel: John 14:15-16, 23-26