



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Parish Secretary: Mrs Rosemary Greer
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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-3.30pm
Friday: 8.30am-12.00pm

 Local Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative: Georgia Allan (0456 441 717)
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School Principal: Mrs Carol Sayers ACTING APRE: Mrs Thea Cowdroy-Ling
Outside School Hours Care Coordinator: Roxanne Grogan

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 14 July 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14; 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20; Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

WEEKDAY MASSES

PLEASE NOTE:

NO 6.30am Mass on Monday
for the remainder of the year

Wednesday 17 July: 9am

Thursday 18 July: 9am

Friday 19 July: 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

JULY

Monday 22nd

SVDP Meeting

5pm Parish Office

AUGUST

Sunday 11th

Children's Mass 9am



It is always good to return home after an extended time away. I returned this week after conferences in Washington and Rome which were concerned with Seminary formation and the requirements of priests in the church of today. There was also a brief time with relatives in rural France, after all one has to keep an eye on the red wine competition in Burgundy!

While both conferences had their unique insights into priestly training, there are obvious common issues that confront seminary staff and formators in many parts of the world.

At the heart of the Church is the commission given by Jesus to go out into the world and proclaim the Good News. The Second Vatican Council reminded the Church of this call and gave it new emphasis. Fifty years after the Council and with honest reflection some can now admit that going into the world does not necessarily mean becoming more like the world in every way. Given this our learned experience should not mean a turning in on ourselves and closing the windows to the Holy Spirit who is present in creation and the human family and human societies. I mention all this because many local churches, including Australia, are training students who believe a closed church that does not enter into dialogue with the world is what is needed at this time. This is a dilemma for Seminary formators just as it is a dilemma for Pope Francis because many people including high ranking clerics are opposed to his constant attempts to listen to the Holy Spirit who is found in many various places. Now as at every time in the Churches history prayer is needed from all of us as we prepare generous and good young men for priestly service in the spread of the Good News.

I am also aware that while I was away a number of families experienced the death of loved ones. The Parish Office was very good to keep me informed so please be assured of my prayers and remembrance in the Eucharist in the days ahead.

With one resident priest in Clayfield parish and a changed timetable at the Seminary there is a change to weekday Mass times for the remainder of the year.

Weekday Mass at St Agatha's will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.00am. There will be no Mass on a Monday. The Sunday Mass timetable will remain the same.

God bless,
Fr Kevin.

Clayfield Conversations

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scriptural context – The ‘Rule of Three’

Jesus was a good storyteller. He used a lot of the ‘tricks of the trade’ of good storytellers. Using a rule of three remains a common device to help storytellers remember the story. (Think of the number of times fairy tales use this device.) In the rule of three, the third repetition of an event or action always holds the key. Jesus used this device to great effect in his parables because he invariably broke the rule! He used the rule to lull his audience into a predictable story and then turned things upside down by having the unexpected occur.

Have you thought? Contemporary context

Being such a famous parable, it is common to see this story retold and acted out in ‘modern’ contexts. However, such attempts invariably lead to a literal retelling of the story and an overemphasis and reinforcement of social prejudices. Who gets cast in the role of the Samaritan? A member of the most socially outcast and hated group in society! Jesus’ choice of the Samaritan as the hero was not to highlight the animosity between Jews and Samaritans, but rather to confound the expectations and prejudices of his audience. Let’s understand the story in its intended setting before we change it!... *Liturgy Help.*



St Vincent de Paul Society
QUEENSLAND
good works

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*”.

STOPLine Service

External service that receives info about suspected abuse, misconduct & policy breaches by Archdiocesan, Brisbane Catholic Education or Centacare Brisbane personnel.

Information can be shared anonymously.

1300 304 550

AOB@stopline.com.au

www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com



Welcome

back Fr Kevin. We hope you had an enjoyable time away.

A VOCATION VIEW: Treating others with compassion is a mark of a follower of Jesus, whether known as The Good Samaritan, Mother, Priest, Sister, Deacon or Brother.
Turn to the Lord in your Need.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 National Theme for Discernment #4 How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Humble, Healing and Merciful?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a deep and faith-filled trust in God and a need for lament and healing within the Church, acknowledging the sexual abuse crisis as a turning point for the Church in Australia.

Find out more at
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #5 How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a yearning for the Church to be a sign of God’s kingdom for all people in Australia – to be able to see the Catholic Church in action, and to recognise Jesus.

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Safeguarding Pocket Guide

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

Archdiocese of Brisbane
SAFEGUARDING POCKET GUIDE
are now available at the back of the Church. Please feel free to take one.
Children and vulnerable adults are a Gift from God, with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from harm.
They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER \$2.00

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

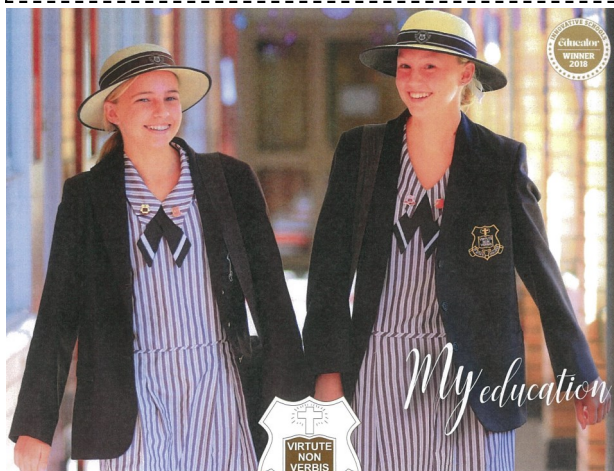
Peter Moloney, Vera Jokic

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Meriel Healy, John Collins, Claire Collins, Mick Statham, Gloria Statham, Frank York, Jean York, Edna Taylor, Nell Treston, Alice Abercrombie, Pam McBride, Anthony McBride, Bill Wallin

Those who are sick:

Ainsley Goves, Patricia Beveridge, Janice Lewis, Michael Blanchard, Colleen Smythe, Flynn Crowley, Lyndell Sawyer, Thea Hoffmann, Ray Pavey, Michael Cashman, Donald Morrisson, James McKeon, Joseph Tam, Bryan Weaver, Alexander Clark, Rosemary Douglas, Danielle Johnson, Gordon Hodge, Maureen Long, 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



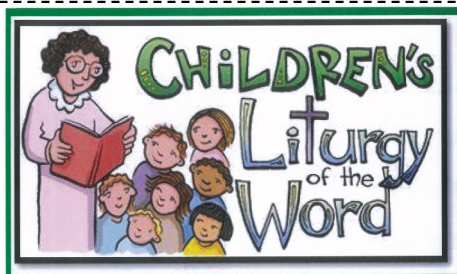
ST RITA'S COLLEGE

A Catholic girls' school for Years 7 to 12

OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 28 JULY 2019, 10:00AM-12:30PM

Register at: www.stritas.qld.edu.au/openday



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.

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>

Join us for refreshments after the 5.30pm Mass Sunday 21 July.

WHS Incident Reporting

Parishioners and visitors are reminded of the requirement to immediately report any health or safety incident, injury or damage that occurs within our Parish. Reporting assists our Parish to provide the necessary assistance, take remedial action and provide mandatory notifications to the Archdiocese and the Division of Work Health and Safety QLD.

This weekend (13/14 July) is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a **retiring collection after each Mass** for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Your donation provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously.

For more information about its work, visit www.aos-australia.org.

POSITION VACANT

PLENARY COUNCIL DISCERNMENT AND WRITING GROUP CHAIRS AND MEMBERS As we move into the Listening and Discernment stage of our preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council is seeking people who are willing to be leaders and partners in the process of discernment. Opportunities are available to apply to be the Chair, or to be a member, of one of six Discernment and Writing Groups. For more information, visit the Office for Employment Relations website www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au or contact Ms Olivia Lee on (02) 9919 7822 or olivia.lee@catholic.org.au. Applications close on 22 July 2019.

ST RITA'S COLLEGE presents **A CELEBRATION: THE LIFE AND MUSIC OF PAUL KELLY**

A tribute to music legend Paul Kelly | Saturday 20 July | 6.30pm-10.00pm

Eirene Hall, St Rita's College | 41 Enderley Road, Clayfield

Tickets \$25 | www.trybooking.com/BCREC | Cash Bar | Food Trucks

ENQUIRIES TO: administration@stritas.qld.edu.au

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

5.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS:

13/14 July Marian Nolan Anne O'Connor Eileen Duncan Life Teen Mass
Edward Foley Aleira Egan Chanelle White

20/21 July Jenny Close Nick Eden Tim Hancock Life Teen Mass
Ann Goves Dianne Eden Lauren Mitchell

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

13/14 July Ann Goves Paulette Archer Volunteer Life Teen Mass
20/21 July Christine Iannarella Volunteer Amrita Moss Life Teen Mass

"HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS:

14 July Tom and Jeannine Treston
21 July Karen Birtles

ORGANISTS:

13/14 July Volunteer Jenny McKeon Life Teen Mass
20/21 July Volunteer Robyn Cuming Life Teen Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

13/14 July Volunteer/s Volunteer/s Volunteer/s Volunteer/s

20/21 July Volunteer/s Volunteer/s Daniel Benjamin Alex Oliveri
Thomas Benjamin

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

14 July No Children's Liturgy - School Holidays
21 July Erin Bledsoe and Lucy Crowe

"Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" (Luke 10:37) This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbour. That means loving someone you may not know or someone that looks different than you or someone that you don't like. All without expecting anything in return.

BAPTISMS at St Agatha's are celebrated on the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month.
For bookings and further information, please phone the parish office on 3262 2859.

GEEBUNG PARISH MILESTONE

THE PARISH OF SAINT KEVIN, GEEBUNG, IS 60 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR Mass of Jubilee will be celebrated with Bishop Ken Howell in St Kevin's Church, 251 Newman Road, Geebung on Sunday 4 August at 9am. Jubilee Luncheon held on the same day at the Geebung RSL at 12N. All current and former Parishioners, families and friends are warmly invited to share in our thanksgiving joy at both Mass and Luncheon. Tickets for the Luncheon may be obtained by contacting the Parish at geebung@bne.catholic.net.au (RSVP July 25)

VISION CHRISTIAN RADIO

New to Brisbane.

Vision Christian Radio is pleased to announce its new city-wide radio service on 1053AM. Tune in today for hope and encouragement, uplifting music, Biblical teaching, news, talkback, interviews and more, to 'Connect Faith to Life' in your life.

PLENARY COUNCIL

Copies of the Media Release on the "Announcement of National Themes for Discernment opens next phase for Plenary Council" are available at the back of the Church. For more information visit the Plenary Council website: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

St Agatha's Parish Sacramental Program 2019

Sacrament of Confirmation

(For all children in Year 3 and above)

Parent Information Evening:

Tuesday 13 August at 6.30pm

Venue: APAC, St Agatha's School

Sacrament of Confirmation

Tuesday 10 September at 5pm & 7pm

For further information, call Jane Cameron at the Parish office: 3262 2859 or go onto our website:

www.clayfieldparish.org.au to view the timetable.

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 tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan Website: <http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/marriage-annulments/>



Readings - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 21 July 2019
1st Reading: Genesis 18:1-10; 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:24-28; Gospel: Luke 10:38-42