

ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Outside School Hours Care Coordinator: Roxanne Grogan

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 21 July 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Genesis 18:1-10; 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:24-28; Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

WEEKDAY MASSES PLEASE NOTE:

NO 6.30am Mass on Monday

Wednesday 24 July: 9am Thursday 25 July: 9am

Saint James

Friday 26July: 9am Saints Joachim and Anne

WEEKEND MASSES

5.00pm Saturday (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 Community and Mission Council Meeting 7pm Parish Office **AUGUST** Sunday 11th

Children's Mass 9am

Martha and Mary are often used as images of the active and contemplative life. If Jesus seems to favour Mary, may people feel that Martha has been hard done by. In practice, we may wonder, would Jesus and his disciples have been happy if Martha had just sat there like Mary? A first thing to note is how when the two are mentioned both Luke's and John's Gospels, it is Martha who takes the lead. Here she is up front in complaining to Jesus. In John's Gospel she is the one who goes out to confront Jesus and ask him why he has not saved her brother. Jesus enjoys her challenges and uses them to reveal deeper elements of his message of salvation, even if he seems to tease her while doing so. Her role is similar to that of Peter, unafraid to say what is in her mind and engaging in a very real exchange. There is no sitting back and wallowing in anything Jesus says.

The Gospels use Mary to balance this vigour. If we are to give, we also have to receive. Jesus himself is extravagant in his healing of sick people, in his feeding of the crowds, in the time he gives to everyone, but, especially in Luke's Gospel, he can only do this by communing with his Father in prayer. Before any important activity we find him turning aside to pray. He has to receive his power from the Father before he can be so lavish with it.

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On these chilly winter mornings we give a warm welcome to the children and their families returning to school for the second semester of 2019. For many secondary school students and especially those in years eleven and twelve this is a very important time. We wish you well as the end of the year quickly approaches.

God bless, Fr Kevin.



Clayfield Conversations

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scriptural context

It is no accident that this story about Martha and Mary immediately follows the parable of the Good Samaritan. We must remember that Jesus is portrayed as telling that parable as clarification of the law to love God and love neighbour. The Samaritan provides an example of what it means to love one's neighbour whilst in this story, Mary provides an example of what it means to love God. Together, the two stories tell us that compassionate service to one's neighbour is crucial but that God does not require service, simply love.

Have you thought? - Action vs Reflection

This gospel is sometimes portrayed as a dichotomy between action and reflection. Many within the Christian tradition adopt the Martha approach of responding to Christ through service and action while others see Mary sitting at the feet of Jesus as a model for contemplation and reflection. The two different models have developed quite distinctly in the history of the Church and it must be said that the Martha approach of service and action has been in the ascendance for some time. However, action that is not grounded in prayerful reflection runs the risk of becoming well-intentioned busyness. ... *Liturgy Help.*



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".





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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.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Peter's Pence retiring collection on weekend of 6/7 July. A total of \$229.80 was raised.







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.

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

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:

National Theme for Discernment #6
How is God calling us to be a
Christ-centred Church that is Open to
conversion, Renewal and Reform?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire to do things differently in response to Christ and the experience of our people, accepting that faithfulness to tradition requires change that is both personal and communal.

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In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

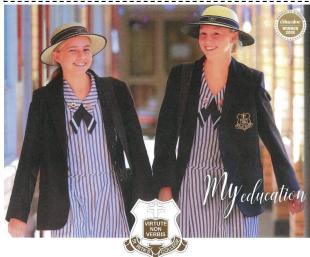
Loreto McCafferty, Peter Moloney

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Giuseppa Catalano, Peita Dodson, Cedric Hampson, Meriel Healy, John Collins, Claire Collins, Mick Statham, Gloria Statham, Frank York, Jean York, Edna Taylor

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

CHILDREN'S Liturgy of the Word

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.

All Children from Prep to Year 4

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
this Sunday 21 July.

OPEN DAY

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

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

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CARNIVAL

10AM-APM



With great joy we welcome *George Doneley* who will be baptised this weekend.

RETREAT DAY - SATURDAY 3 AUGUST

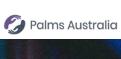
(Sponsored by The Knights of the Southern Cross, Branch 9) Our annual retreat day is to be held on Saturday 3 August in Nolan Hall, Leslie Street Nundah, adjacent to Corpus Christi Church.

Fr John Chalmers will conduct the retreat on the theme, "Virtues", exploring their contemporary relevance.

The day begins with morning tea (supplied) at 10am. The first session is from 10.30 until 11.30am followed by Mass at noon. Lunch follows with the second session from 1.30 until 2.30pm After summing up and questions the day concludes before 3pm.

BYO lunch. Tea and coffee available.

For more information and booking, contact: John James 0422 916 524, John Carr 3266 1119 or Tom Cusack 0419 643 987



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PARISH ROSTERS - Please arrange a substitute if you are unavailable on your rostered day. 5.00pm 7.00am9.00am 5.30pm **READERS:** Jenny Close 20/21 July Nick Eden Tim Hancock Life Teen Mass Ann Goves Dianne Eden Lauren Mitchell Jack Williamson Annaliese Beckmann **Don Macpherson** Life Teen Mass 27/28 July Katrina Murphy Jeanine Bygott Amrita Moss **COMMUNION MINISTERS:** 20/21 July Christine Iannarella Volunteer **Amrita Moss** Life Teen Mass 27/28 July Volunteer Volunteer Life Teen Mass Volunteer "HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS: 21 July **Karen Birtles** 28 July Tom and Jeannine Treston **ORGÁNISTS:** 20/21 July Volunteer Volunteer **Robyn Cuming** Life Teen Mass Jenny McKeon 27/28 July Volunteer Volunteer Life Teen Mass ALTAR SERVERS: Volunteer/s 20/21 July Volunteer/s Daniel Benjamin Alex Oliveri **Thomas Benjamin** 27/28 July Sofia Iannarella Volunteer/s **Bridget Birchley** Tia Manuel **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 21 July **Erin Bledsoe and Lucy Crowe**

We are all called to evangelise – to continuously grow in our relationship with Jesus and to share it with others. We may not be called to evangelise like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbours.

Pray for the courage to share your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

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

28 July

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.

Archdiocesan MULTICULTURAL MASS 2019

Sunday 25 August 2.30pm Cathedral of St Stephen Celebrating the 105th World Day of Migrants and Refugees

St Agatha's Parish Sacramental Program 2019 Sacrament of Confirmation

Jane Cameron and Chanelle Simpson

(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.

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/



Readings - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 28 July 2019 1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32; 2nd Reading: Colossians 2:12-14; Gospel: Luke 11:1-13