



# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 11 August 2019

### Readings

**1st Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Gospel: Luke 12:32-48**

### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**NO 6.30am Mass on Monday**

**Wednesday 14 August:** 9am  
*Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe*  
**Wednesday 14 August:** 5pm  
*Vigil Mass - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
**Thursday 15 August:** 9am  
*School Mass*  
*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
**Friday 16 August:** 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

#### **AUGUST**

**Monday 19th**  
SVDP Meeting 5pm  
Parish Office  
Community and Mission  
Council Meeting 7pm  
Parish Office

### MASS TIMES for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Vigil 5pm:  
Wednesday 14 August  
9am  
Thursday 15 August

This Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August is the Solemnity or Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass times are included in the Newsletter and if you have not been on too many rides at the Ekka on People's Day there is an evening Mass on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 5.00pm.

Following is a reflection on the Assumption by Redemptorist Publications.

Alternative and complementary medical treatments have been used for years. Although there are different kinds, and some remain controversial, one of their key principles has won widespread approval: that human beings should be treated in a holistic way, taking into account the unity of the whole person - physical and spiritual - in the quest for health and well-being. Human beings are more than a physical body to be treated. From their own experience many people would agree that unconditional love is a powerful healer, which is why doctors today are less inclined to treat symptoms with drugs when counselling and living support may be more deeply effective.

What does this have to do with the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which we celebrate. The clue is in the words of Pope Pius XII when he explained it and spoke of Our Lady being "assumed body and soul into heavenly glory". At the heart of this teaching is the belief, reflected today by holistic medicine, that human beings comprise a body and soul, united together. Human beings are not just a body, nor are we simply a soul. The Hebrew word *shalom* is an ancient Jewish greeting. Often translated "Peace", as when Jesus says, "Peace be with you", the word has a richer meaning: Jesus is offering total well-being, harmony, wholeness.

Sadly, our human experience is that we do not live in perfect harmony within. There is an inner struggle. Sometimes we get torn apart. St Paul expressed his own experience: "I cannot understand my own behaviour. I fail to carry out the things I want to do, and I find myself doing the very things I hate." He talks about his "unspiritual self". St Peter speaks of "selfish passions that attack the soul", and James warns that we have "wrong desires" these give birth to sin. In other words, in this life our bodies and souls are not in perfect harmony together. Our struggle between good and evil, our wrong choices, sins and even death, are a consequence of what the Church calls original sin, explained by St Paul as coming from Adam.

Mary, by contrast, was "preserved from all stain of original sin": her body and soul were in perfect harmony. Consequently both her body and her soul were raised up in the kingdom. She never experienced the dislocation we do, like St Paul failing to carry out the things he wished to do. Mary wished to do only the will of God and she perfectly carried out the things God wanted her to do. She is the one person other than Jesus who can stand by every deed of her life. She lived without guilt, regret or reproach. She could enter eternity, body and soul, without need of repentance. She is, as Elizabeth told her, "Of all women... the most blessed".

God bless,  
Fr Kevin.

## Clayfield Conversations

### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### The Son of Man and the Kingdom of God

This Sunday's gospel is made up of three distinct units: the first verse is actually the conclusion of 12:22-32; the next two verses (vv. 33-34) are independent sayings about poverty and wealth. Then two parables introduce new themes: vigilance and fidelity. But the Lectionary combines these passages in a new way.

Using the image of a master returning either from a wedding (12:35-40) or from some other journey (12:42-48), Jesus instructs his disciples about the coming of the 'Son of Man' (12:40). The Lectionary uses the two parables to illustrate the opening verses in which Jesus assures his disciples that God will bless them with a 'treasure' that is inexhaustible, secure in heaven, and immune from destruction (12:33). In the Lectionary context the treasure which God gives is another metaphor for the 'kingdom'. The kingdom for which disciples are to pray (11:2) and seek (12:31) is the kingdom which God 'is pleased to give (*didomi*) you' (12:32). Thus when Jesus says, 'much will be required of the person entrusted (*didomi*) with much' (12:48), we have already been told that disciples have been entrusted with the Kingdom (the same Greek word (*didomi*) is translated as 'give' in verse 32 and as 'entrusted' in verse 48). How great, then, are the Master's expectations when the treasure is so great.

The combination of these two themes - the kingdom and the coming of the Son of Man - recalls another crucial passage, namely, Daniel 7:13-14. In this important passage one 'like a Son of Man' comes before God and is given (*didomi*) the kingdom. As the parables make clear, disciples await the coming of the Son of Man. Each of the two parables highlights different aspects of the disciples' waiting. The first parable urges vigilance so as not to be caught off-guard. The second parable demands faithfulness so as to be busy about the duties which have been assigned. Vigilance is rewarded by being served by the Master at table; fidelity in service is rewarded with greater authority, but infidelity is severely punished.... *Liturgia*



## 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.**

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Padua College & Padua College Old  
Boys Association  
**INAUGURAL MEMORIAL MASS**  
Wednesday 6 November, 6.30pm Mass  
in the College Chapel  
**This Mass is to celebrate the lives of  
deceased Friars, Padua College Old  
Boys, Staff and members of our  
Paduan Community.**

For further enquiries or to let us know  
who you would like remembered,  
please email [admin@padua.qld.edu.au](mailto:admin@padua.qld.edu.au)  
or phone 3857 9999

**Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass** Couples celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary together with family and friends, are invited to the annual Mass with Archbishop Mark Coleridge. As the Archdiocesan Assembly for the Plenary Council has been convened for the date we had previously advertised for this special occasion, the Mass will now be celebrated on **Saturday 28 September, at 10.00am**. For catering purposes please RSVP to [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au) or telephone 3324 3030 by Friday 20 September. The Cathedral car park will be available.

### AGED CARE IN QUEENSLAND TODAY – WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW

A Public talk sponsored by Knights of the Southern Cross Qld, Branch 1

At St. Michael's Church Hall, 250 Banks Street, Dorrington | Thursday 5 September 2019 at 7.30pm  
Speaker Nick Ryan, CEO of Lutheran Services, recent Acting CEO of Southern Cross Care Qld, will help us understand what services are available for older people in our community. Older people are living longer, but are they living better? Nick will explain how the system works and how to manage and sort out what is available for older citizens. There are many options, but what is right for us or our loved ones. Supper provided.  
**RSVP** by Sunday 1 September 2019 - Stuart Beavis, 0408321582, [bsb\\_himself@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bsb_himself@optusnet.com.au)



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## *In our prayers we remember*



### *Those who have died recently:*

Peg Saunders, Richard Anthony

### *Those whose anniversaries occur about now:*

May McKenzie, Agnes Clifton, Margaret (Bobby) Tynan, Fulvia Antonangeli

### *Those who are sick:*

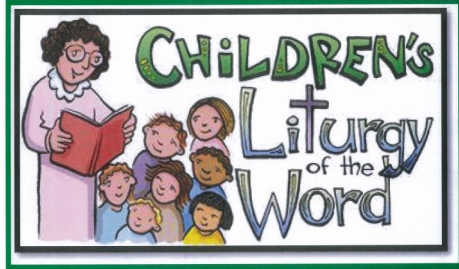
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**Reminder to let us know when names are no longer required to be shown on the sick list.**



### **AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL 2019**

**What is ACYF?** The Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) is a national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC). It is celebrated every couple of years, beginning in 2014 in Melbourne and has since been hosted by the Archdiocese of Adelaide and the Archdiocese of Sydney. This year, the Archdiocese of Perth will be hosting the festival from **8th - 10th December** at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre (with final Mass at Trinity College, Perth).  
Go to: [youthfestival.catholic.org.au](http://youthfestival.catholic.org.au) for more information.



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.

**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.

**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 18 August.

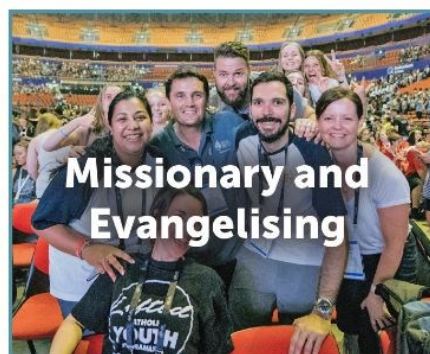
## **THANK YOU**

**The Clayfield Saint Vincent De Paul Conference** would like to thank the Parishioners, for their generous donations to the SVDP Winter Appeal. This will help us to continue assisting people, who call upon us for help. So far this year, the Conference has completed 360 visits, giving assistance of \$35,500 in total, to 583 adults and 138 children. New members are always welcome. Any enquiries phone John 0408 985 709.

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church. The data also identified the need to reach out and communicate more effectively and to find new ways of living and proclaiming the Gospel in Australia today. There was a call for the strengthening of leadership and ministries in parishes and schools, training to equip leaders for ministry, pastoral support for various groups within parish and faith communities, and a desire for a unified voice in engaging social issues such as life and religious freedom.

Read more about this time at:  
[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

### **How God is calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is**



**A VOCATION VIEW:**  
Where is your treasure? There is your heart! Have you considered that God's will is your treasure for you? Come, follow Him! Happy the people the Lord has chosen for His own. Mary of the Cross pray for us.

**PARISH ROSTERS**

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

**5.00pm****7.00am****9.00am****5.30pm****READERS:****10/11 Aug**Jenny Close  
Edward FoleyAnnette Riba  
Anne O'ConnorChanelle Simpson  
Lauren Mitchell

Life Teen Mass

**17/18 Aug**Graham Gibson  
Julie-Anne GibsonNick Eden  
Dianne EdenEileen Duncan  
Jane Arkinstall

Life Teen Mass

**COMMUNION MINISTERS:****10/11 Aug**

Ann Goves

Paulette Archer

Amrita Moss

Life Teen Mass

**17/18 Aug**

Deborah Hall

*Volunteer**Volunteer*

Life Teen Mass

**"HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS:****11 Aug**

Anna Coventry

**18 Aug**

Georgia Allan

**ORGANISTS:****10/11 Aug***Volunteer**Volunteer*Robyn Cuming &  
Paul Fiumara

Life Teen Mass

**17/18 Aug***Volunteer**Volunteer*

Robyn Cuming

Life Teen Mass

**ALTAR SERVERS:****10/11 Aug**

Ella Shepherd

*Volunteer/s**Volunteer/s*Bart Marino  
Amelia Marino**17/18 Aug***Volunteer/s**Volunteer/s*Daniel Benjamin  
Thomas Benjamin

Alex Oliveri

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:****11 Aug****18 Aug***No Children's Liturgy - Children's Mass*  
Ewan McPherson & Lisa Sos

**BAPTISMS** at St Agatha's are celebrated 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.

**Our Lady of Graces Parish, Carina**  
invites applications for the part time position of  
**Parish Secretary**

30 hours per week Monday to Thursday  
(negotiable)

Official start date of employment will be  
Monday 14 October 2019

Additional information, including a position  
description can be obtained from James Herd on  
3324 3331 or email [herdj@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:herdj@bne.catholic.net.au).

Applications close Wednesday 28 August 2019

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.

**SVDP CLOTHING BIN**  
located behind the Church  
with easy access.

**SVDP** meetings are held every second Monday at 5pm  
(except Public Holidays). New members are always welcome.  
Any enquiries phone John 0408 985 709.  
Next meeting Monday 19 August.

**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

**Please note change of venue:** St Agatha's Church

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

**Readings - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 18 August 2019**

**1st Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4; Gospel: Luke 12:49-53**