

# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 25 August 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

NO 6.30am Mass on Monday. Wednesday 28 August: 9am Saint Augustine

**Thursday 29 August:** 9am The Passion of Saint John The Baptist

Friday 30 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** Saturday 31st 4.00pm, Church 2nd Group session for Confirmation candidates.

#### SPECIAL COLLECTION

Fr Sholto Douglas will be presiding at all the Masses this weekend and will share with you the great missionary work being done in Zimbabwe. They are in need of funds to maintain & support the communities so please give generously.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal gives a detailed explanation of the celebration of Mass. It is not just a "what to do" for the priest as the Instruction can give to all who participate a deeper understanding of the rich meaning of our worship of God in the celebration of the Eucharist.

Paragraph 29 refers to the Word of God. It states, When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel. Therefore the readings from the Word of God are to be listened to reverently by everyone, for they are an element of the greatest importance in the Liturgy.

Paragraph 59 goes on; the function of proclaiming the readings is by tradition not presidential but ministerial. Therefore the readings are to be read by a reader, but the Gospel by the deacon or in his absence by the priest.

Every parish relies on the generosity of those people who come forward to proclaim God's Word and St Agatha's is among them. The significance of this ministry can never be overstated and our support and gratitude for those minsters is most necessary.

Over the next two weeks the Parish is asking all members to consider whether they may be called to join this ministry. Presently there are several gaps in the Readers Roster and this makes preparation for Mass extremely awkward for others and means that many people are asked to be a reader who do not have time to properly prepare. That is not best practice for the Reader or the community who gathers to listen. Each Mass requires two rostered parishioners and hopefully a person is rostered every three to four weeks, but that does depend on the number who comes forward.

Training for this ministry will take place at St Agatha's on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> September with a workshop at 10.00am and repeated at 7.00pm that evening. A wonderful resource produced in Brisbane "Break Open the Word" is available and gives a weekly detailed guide and explanation of the readings, including a pronunciation guide for the more difficult words.

I do ask that as a parish we include in our prayers the willingness of members to come forward for this important ministry. Secondary School students are particularly encouraged to consider the invitation.

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We keep in our prayers the repose of the soul of Josie Cristaldi, the mother of Rosemary Greer who works in the Parish Office. May Josie know the peace of eternal rest and her family be comforted at this time.

Have a great week and God bless, Fr Kevin.

## Clayfield Conversations

#### Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

The narrow door

The first verse of the gospel reminds us that Jesus is 'making his way to Jerusalem' (see Sunday 13 for 'the journey'). The goal in view is the accomplishment of Jesus' mission: salvation through his dying and rising.

To gain access to salvation, one must enter through the narrow door. While salvation is made available to all, not all will enter. The door is narrow: one must try to enter, as in athletic competition (see 1 Cor 9:25; 1 Tim 6:12; 2 Tim 4:7). Though many compete in various games, winners are few in proportion to competitors. 'Trying' to enter through the narrow door implies both effort on the part of those seeking salvation and a judgment that not all will achieve their goal.

But the narrowness of the door is not the only obstacle: time is also critical. An hour will come when 'the master of the house has got up and locked the door'. We earlier encountered a door that was closed and locked: in the parable of the unexpected night visitor, the unprepared host goes to his neighbour and knocks on the door to ask for bread (Luke 11:5-8; see OT Sunday 17). On that occasion Jesus instructed his disciples to 'knock and the door will be opened for you' (11:9). The situation is different in this gospel. The opportunity to enter is not indefinite. Once the door is closed - once the end has come and judgment is pronounced - it is too late. A decision on the part of those who wish to enter is required now.

The protest of those who are locked out points again to the seriousness of effort required of those seeking salvation. It is not enough to have been casually acquainted with Jesus: 'We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets' (13:26). Those who wish to gain entrance must follow him to Jerusalem.. *Liturgia* 



With great joy we welcome

Matthew Flack

Edwina Steel

Mary Halligan

Kai Gonsalves

Henry Hall

who will be baptised this weekend.



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 <a href="mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au">cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au</a> 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



The Very Rev. Dr Anthony Mellor
Warmly invites you to the launch of his new book
KARL RAHNER, CULTURE AND EVANGELISATION
New Approaches in an Australian Setting

New Approaches in an Australian Setting Launched by

The Most Reverend Archbishop Mark Coleridge Friday, 6th September 2019 at 11.30am in the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, 249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane (no parking available)

To assist with catering of light refreshments please RSVP cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au

### In our prayers we remember



Josie Cristaldi, Leonie Bledsoe

#### Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Rory Schuh, Kathleen McVeigh, George Leutenegger, Mona Leutenegger, William Mahon, May McKenzie, Agnes Clifton, Margaret (Bobby) Tynan, Fulvia Antonangeli

#### Those who are sick:

Nick Newton, Eugene Gaynor, Lauren Carney, Patricia Beveridge, Janice Lewis, Michael Blanchard, Colleen Smythe, Flynn Crowley, Lyndell Sawyer, Thea Hoffmann, Ray Pavey, Michael Cashman, Donald Morrisson, 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



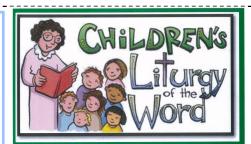




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#### TRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTI-VAL 2019

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



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 this Sunday 18 August.

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.

#### 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.

## Some of the topics that people talked about this theme:

Affordable adult faith formation courses
Authentic faith teaching in Catholic schools
Be a witness in society
Better communication of what the Church does
Better faith formation
Better formation for liturgical ministries and
sacramental programs

Better youth formation

Church should adapt to multicultural reality.

Read more of the topics for this theme:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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



Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life. marriage and religious liberty.

PARISH ROSTERS - Please arrange a substitute if you are unavailable on your rostered day. 7.00am9.00am 5.00pm 5.30pm **READERS:** 24/25 Aug Jack Williamson Annaliese Beckmann Eileen Duncan Life Teen Mass Ann Goves Jeanine Bygott Jane Arkinstall Katrina Murphy **Kirsty Stevens Don MacPherson** Life Teen Mass 31Aug/1 Sept **Cate Barrett Sr Cecily Foster** Joseph O'Brien **COMMUNION MINISTERS:** 24/25 Aug **Edward Foley** Paulette Archer Volunteer Life Teen Mass **Chanelle Simpson** 31 Aug/1 Sept Volunteer Volunteer "HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS: Anna Coventry 1 Sept Georgia Allan **ORGANISTS:** 24/25 Aug Volunteer Volunteer Jenny McKean 31 Aug/1 Sept Volunteer Volunteer **Robyn Cuming** ALTAR SERVERS: 24/25 Aug Sofia Iannarella Volunteers **Bridget Birchley** Volunteers Lachlan Hindeberg **Chelsy Waller** Caitlin Marshall 31Aug/1 Sept **Billy Crutcher** Dash Crutcher

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

Erin Bledsoe & Lucy Crowe

Mel Ryan & Giulia Coorey

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 

25 Aug

31 Sept

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.

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 2 September.

#### St Agatha's Parish Sacramental Program 2019 Sacrament of Confirmation

Session Two (Parent & child to attend) 31 August at 4.00pm Church Practice 5 September 3.30pm 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 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 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 1 September 2019 1st Reading: Sirach 3:17-20,28-29; 2nd Reading: Hebrews12: 18-19, 22-24; Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14