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Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 1 September 2019 Readings

1st Reading: Sirach 3:17-20,28-29 ; 2nd Reading: Hebrews12: 18-19, 22-24; Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

WEEKDAY MASSES NO 6.30am Mass on Monday Wednesday 4 September 9am Thursday 5 September 9am Friday 6 September 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

SEPTEMBER Monday 2nd SVDP Meeting 5pm Parish Office Sunday 8th Children's Mass 9am



ST AGATHA'S PARISH will be conducting the 2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN on the weekend of 26/27 October

Happy Father's Day to all the Dads and be assured of our prayers at Mass this weekend. Families take many forms in society today so for all who are called to be fathers and to the role of fatherhood you have our support, encouragement and understanding. May you know the love of those for whom you care the support of the wider community who entrusts you with much responsibility. Have a wonderful day.

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A reminder to everyone in the Parish to consider participating in the role of Reader at Sunday Mass. Last week's newsletter (see the Parish website) gives an explanation of the importance of this ministry and how it depends on your involvement. We are very grateful to those members of the Parish who already lead us in proclaiming the Word of God each week and I ask them to continue in the ministry if you can. It is vital though for others to join them so that our worship can truly be an action of the community who support each other and are willing to be involved.

Please note there is a change of date to the Readers Preparation Meetings. Those new to the ministry, those interested and those continuing are asked to attend a meeting on Wednesday evening 11th September at 7.00pm OR Thursday 12th September at 10.00am.

Please let the Parish Office know if you are interested in participating in the ministry of Reader at Mass and if you can attend either of the Preparation Meetings. clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au. In your email please provide the following information.

Name. Phone number. Mass at which you wish to be a Reader. Meeting you will be attending.

If you wish you may complete the return slip on the bottom of this page.

God bless and happy Father's day,

Fr Kevin.

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Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all of our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Meals and table fellowship

It is often remarked that Jesus eats his way through the gospel of Luke. Jesus is at table no fewer than nine times; Jesus discusses eating on at least three other occasions; and eating is featured prominently in at least four of his parables.

In both Greek and Jewish cultures meals were significant ritual events governed by rules of etiquette and guests were seated 'each in the order of his dignity'. In Roman and Greek cultures meals were social events that allowed both the host and guest to vaunt their social status and parade their dignity. Inviting guests from the 'A list' enhanced one's social standing and reputation. The 'humility' that Jesus counsels would be unthinkable! In Jewish tradition the festive meal became a symbol of the Age to Come when the righteous would be gathered in God's kingdom to enjoy the banquet of the Messiah (Isaiah 25:6-8). That eschatological (or 'end-time') perspective is evident in this Sunday's meal stories when Jesus twice points to end-time reversals: the exalted will be humbled and the humble will be exalted (19:11), and those who are not repaid now will be repaid at the resurrection of the virtuous (14:14).

Luke's themes of universal salvation and compassion for 'the poor' (Luke's generic term for all the socially marginalised) are highlighted in the instruction Jesus gives to those who hold a feast. Those to be invited as honoured guests are 'the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind' (14:13). The last three of this group are specifically excluded from the Jewish priesthood (Leviticus 21:17-21). This exclusion of undesirables is taken even further in the community at Qumran. In the end-time battle, no one 'who is lame, or blind, or cripple ... shall march out to war' with the righteous. And membership in the congregation excludes those who are 'paralysed ... or lame, or blind, or deaf, or dumb ... or old and tottery'. This vision of the elect is highly selective and exclusive. By contrast, Jesus welcomes the marginalised. Jesus' meals with them foreshadow the banquet of the Messiah on the last day... *Liturgia*

CHILDREN'S MASS

Sunday 8 September 2019 at 9am

At the Mass, the children are asked to bring the gifts to the Altar, read, take up collections and welcome people as they arrive.

If your child/children would like to participate in some way, please contact the Parish Office on 3262 2859 or email us at clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au by Monday 2 September.

We will have a morning tea afterwards.

Please feel free to bring a plate to share.

All are welcome to come along and join in this Parish community gathering.

PLEASE NOTE the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday 12 September.



A FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

God, Bless all the fathers in the world. Father, we ask that You guide them to be good role models and loving to their children. We also ask that You help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.

Amen.



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 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

ENCOUNTER MYANMAR: Still two places left on an enlightening journey with the Executive Director of Palms Australia. *Travelling November 16-29.* Enquire via email <u>palms@palms.org.au</u> or call 02 9560 5333



We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently :

Jim Duncan, Elizabeth Griffin, Joanna Wong, Leonie Bledsoe

<u>Those whose anniversaries occur about now:</u>

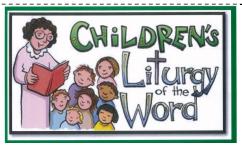
Neil Murphy, Lew Brumpton, Gladys McBride, Pat Killoran

Those who are sick:

Patrick (Paddy) Ryan, 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

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

A Safeguarding Prayer Lord Jesus May we welcome the kingdom of God anew into our hearts and lives, embracing discipleship and openness to others. You call us to walk with integrity in the service of others. May our service be filled with kindness, and respect for all God's people, giving special protection to children and the vulnerable. May we seek the truth, Listen to those wounded by abuse, and choose to act with compassion and justice. Give us the strength, to serve humbly and faithfully, and to love one another as we are so loved by You. Amen.



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 supper after the 5.30pm Mass this Sunday 1 September.

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2019 1st – 7th September PROTECTING CHILDREN IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS



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.

This weekend we welcome Fr John Grace for the 5pm and 7am Masses.

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. It identified the need for relationship and reconciliation among many within the Catholic community, and with the wider Australian society, particularly with Australia's First Peoples and with all of creation. A desire was expressed for stronger prayer and sacramental life and more effective outreach to those who seek healing, as a renewed openness to and sign of God's mercy. Read more about this theme at:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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

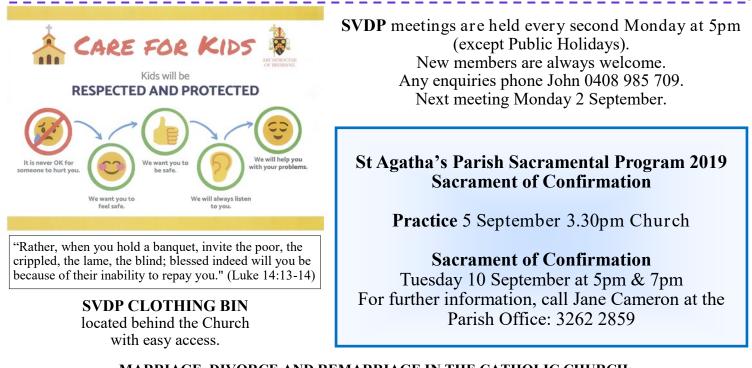






PA	RISH ROSTERS -	Please arrange a substitu	ite if you are unavailable oi	n your rostered day.
	5.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
READERS:				
31Aug/1 Sept	Katrina Murphy	Kirsty Stevens	Don MacPherson	Life Teen Mass
	Cate Barrett	Sr Cecily Foster	Joseph O'Brien	
7/8 Sept	Edward Foley	Nick Eden	Wilma O'Connell	Life Teen Mass
	Ann Goves	Dianne Eden	Lauren Mitchell	
COMMUNION	MINISTERS:			
31 Aug/1 Sept	Volunteer	Volunteer	Chanelle Simpson	Life Teen Mass
7/8 Spet	Christine Iannarella	Volunteer	Amrita Moss	Life Teen Mass
HOME" COM	MUNION MINISTERS:			
l Sept	Georgia Allan			
8 Sept	Geraldine Swindells			
ORGANISTS:				
1 Aug/1 Sept	Volunteer	Volunteer	Robyn Cuming	Life Teen Mass
/8 Sept	Volunteer	Volunteer	Robyn Cuming and Paul Fiumara	Life Teen Mass
ALTAR SERVE				
81Aug/1 Sept	Billy Crutcher Dash Crutcher	Lachlan Hindeberg	Chelsy Waller	Caitlin Marshall
7/8 Sept	Volunteer/s	Volunteer/s	Volunteer/s	Bart Marino
			Children's Mass	Amelia Marino
CHILDREN'S L	JTURGY:			
	Children's Liturgy			
8 Sept No	Children's Liturgy			

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.



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

Readings - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 8 September 2019 1st Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18; 2nd Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Gospel: Luke 14:25-33