




ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 3 November 2019

Readings

1st Reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2 ; 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2; Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

WEEKDAY MASSES

NO 6.30am Mass on Monday
Wednesday 6 November 9am
Thursday 7 November 9am
Friday 8 November 9am

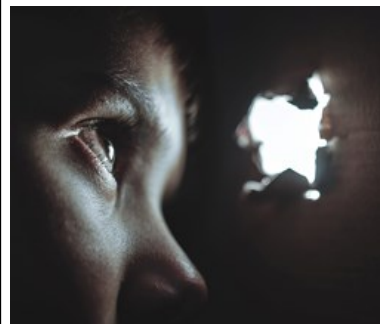
WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.00pm
(1st Rite of Reconciliation:
Saturday 4.30pm)
Sunday 7.00am
9.00am
5.30pm
Rosary before Mass.

Parish Calendar

NOVEMBER

Sunday 10
Children's Mass 9am
Monday 11
SVDP Meeting 5pm
Parish Office



The Catholic Church in Australia is dedicating the month of November 2019 as a time to pray for those affected by crippling drought conditions and to pray for the gift of rain. Parishes, schools, families and other Catholic communities across the country are being encouraged to participate in the National Prayer Campaign for Drought, which also invites people to provide assistance to those most in need. The month of prayer is an additional response to the local work being done in affected communities.

Many would be aware of the recent Synod on the Amazon that was held at the Vatican. Catholic Church leaders from the Amazon region, other Church leaders and the Pope gathered to discuss the life of the Catholic Church in this beautiful but troubled part of the world. The Agenda raised eyebrows even before the Synod commenced and the results of the gathering will no doubt do the same. Propositions regarding that the decision to ordain married men be done so on a regional basis (as opposed to a universal discipline), the reopening of discussions regarding women deacons and the importance of ecologically aware development were some of the extraordinary proposals.

If you would like to learn more about the Synod please go to:

<https://www.ncronline.org/news/environment/amazon-synod-calls-married-priests-pope-reopen-women-deacons-commission>

The great Feast of All Saints, November 1st and the Commemoration of All Souls, November 2nd, are beautiful reminders of our faith in eternal life. While Halloween seems to be growing more popular I do hope parents and teachers spend time informing minds open to the afterlife that our Catholic faith offers very personal, loving and hope filled teachings about death, and life together with God. I don't think we should avoid talking to children about the biggest treat of all - life with God forever.

The month of November is traditionally a time when we especially remember those who have died. We commend them to God's mercy and we turn again to the resurrection of Christ to strengthen our own hope in eternal life. There will be a remembrance book placed in St Agatha's Church during the month of November in which you can write the names of those who have died and who you wish remembered at Mass. The paschal candle will be placed beside the book and it will be lit at all Masses this Month.

The CMC met this week and discussed thoroughly many aspects of life in the parish and in the local church. Topics included the Plenary Council and parish participation, the new Archdiocesan Government Liaison Officer, safeguarding procedures, the need for a more complete Mass ministry roster, hand sanitizers for communion ministers and an Eftpos machine for use in the church.

God bless,
Fr Kevin.

Clayfield Conversations

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Historical Context – Tax Collectors

Tax collectors were hated by most Jews at the time of Jesus. Firstly, the taxes they collected were going to support Rome – a foreign, Gentile power that was an unwelcome occupying force in Palestine. The Jews' taxes were paying the wages of the army that occupied their country, so tax collectors were seen as collaborators with the enemy. Secondly, the system of tax collection lent itself to abuse and corruption. Tax collectors were required to collect a certain amount from their district; any excess they collected was theirs to keep – that was their income.

Scriptural context – True welcome

Today's passage begins chapter 19 of the gospel of Luke. Later in that same chapter is the account of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. In that incident, Jesus is welcomed into Jerusalem by cheering crowds who spread their cloaks on the ground for him to walk over. Those same crowds, just days later, were yelling for Jesus to be crucified. In today's passage, the crowds line the streets of Jericho to welcome Jesus with great fanfare but also quickly turn on him when he acts on the message of acceptance and forgiveness that he has been proclaiming throughout his ministry... *Liturgy Help*



2019 ANNUAL

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in Year 6 for 2020.

Please direct all enquiries to the
Enrolment Secretary:

wkwhite@bne.catholic.edu.au or phone: 3326 9222

CHILDREN'S MASS

Sunday 10 November

9am

This will be the "last" for the
year, with a special Christmas
morning tea afterwards.

All welcome.

See notice board at the back
of church for more details.



NOVEMBER MASS ENVELOPES are available from table in church foyer, Piety Stall or Parish Office. PLEASE PRINT the names of those who you wish to be remembered and place the envelope on the collection plate or hand into the Parish Office. The names of your deceased will be written in a Remembrance Book that will be on the altar for all Masses during the month of November.

NOVEMBER: A special time to pray for our loved ones who have died.

2020 COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS

Columban Calendars are now available and for
sale at the Piety Stall for \$9.00 each.

Ideal Christmas Gift

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Available for sale at the Piety Stall
Packet of 8 for \$5.00

ST AGATHA'S OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE CLAYFIELD

Before School Care 6.45am - 8.45am After School Care 2.45pm - 6.00pm

Vacation Care 7.00am - 6.00pm

Phone 07 3326 9208

Email clayfieldoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au



We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the blessings we have been given. This means everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but is called to give equal sacrifice. No amount is too small or insignificant! Open your heart, how is God calling you to be more generous with your financial re-sources and possessions?

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

John Kenafake, Barbara Bauert

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Bridget Brumpton, Eric Brumpton, Gerry McBride, Jack McBride, Kathleen Brennan, Jo Brennan, Tom Brennan, Hazel O'Hagan, Paul Luxton, Paula Whitman

Those who are sick:

Noreen Martin, Kateri Byrnes, Vireda Akhil, Dhirend Akhil, Patrick (Paddy) Ryan, Nick Newton, Eugene Gaynor, Lauren Carney, Patricia Beveridge, Janice Lewis, Michael Blanchard, Colleen Smythe, Flynn Crowley, Lyndell Sawyer, 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.



Reach out. Give life.



DO NOT FEAR for I am with you

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for reaching out to children and communities in need in Ghana and throughout the world.

Your generosity makes it possible for programs such as the Nazareth Home for God's Children to provide love and support for children rescued from life-threatening situations. Thank you also to so many parishioners who have become monthly giving partners through our Ghana Mission Partners Program.

For more information about the work of Catholic mission or the Extraordinary Missionary Month in October, please contact our friendly team at the free call number below, or at catholicmission.org.au/about-us/contact.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Ghana

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10.00am – 12.00pm

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.

On a lighter note...

A Sunday School teacher challenged her children to take some time on Sunday afternoon to write a letter to God. They were to bring their letter back the following Sunday. One little boy wrote, "Dear God, we had a good time at church today. Wish you could have been there." 😊

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



Prayerful and Eucharistic

God through their experiences of prayer, music and liturgy, and a desire for catechesis, training and formation for those in ministries related to these.

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. There was a call for stronger and more engaging preaching, with an emphasis on the Word of God and connection to daily life, some seeking a uniquely Australian expression of prayer and Eucharistic celebration, drawing from the wisdom and rituals of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and also bringing together the many migrant communities which make up the Church in Australia. There were many divergent expressions of ways in which people and communities encounter

Brisbane Chorale and Canticum Chamber Choir

present Handel's oratorio "Israel in Egypt", for its first performance in Brisbane in decades. Using texts taken from Exodus and the Psalms, Handel's work follows the dramatic departure of the Israelites from bondage in Egypt. The two choirs, with Camerata – Queensland's Chamber Orchestra, six soloists and organist Christopher Wrench will be led by acclaimed conductor Graham Abbott to present what promises to be a truly memorable concert

Sunday 17 November | 3.00pm | Brisbane City Hall

(pre-concert talk by Graham Abbott at 2.15pm)

Tickets through 4MBS Ticketing

(Phone 3847 1717, 9am to 5pm or online at 4mbs.com.au).
Balcony \$55/\$50, Stalls \$50/\$45, Under 18 (stalls only) \$15.

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

5.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS:

2/3 Nov	Jenny Close Edward Foley	Andrew Douglas Anne O'Connor	Luke Sutton Eileen Duncan	Life Teen Mass
9/10 Nov	Ann Goves Phil Zammit	Annette Riba Sr Cecily Foster	Chanelle Simpson Clare Smethurst	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

2/3 Nov	Deborah Hall	<i>Volunteer</i>	Amrita Moss	Life Teen Mass
9/10 Nov	Jan Zammit	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	Life Teen Mass

“HOME” COMMUNION MINISTERS:

3 Nov	Georgia Allan
10 Nov	Geraldine Swindells

ORGANISTS:

2/3 Nov	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	Life Teen Mass
9/10 Nov	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	Robyn Cuming and Paul Fiumara	Life Teen Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

2/3 Nov	<i>Volunteer/s</i>	<i>Volunteer/s</i>	Daniel Benjamin Thomas Benjamin	Alex Oliveri
9/10 Nov	<i>Volunteer/s</i>	<i>Volunteer/s</i>	Daniel Benjamin Thomas Benjamin	<i>Volunteer/s</i>

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

3 Nov	Erin Bledsoe and Mel Ryan
10 Nov	No Children's Liturgy - Children's Mass



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.

SVDP CLOTHING BIN

located behind the Church with easy access.

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 3 November.

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 11 November.

NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR DROUGHT

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

Parish Wine & Cheese Night

Friday 8th November 2019

6pm until 8pm (St.John's Hall-Burilda St Hendra)

Food, Drink, Music, Art, Craft & Raffle.

Only \$25 pp (Tickets at the door)



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/](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minutehomilies/)

Readings - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 10 November 2019

1st Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Gospel: Luke 20:27-38