



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) - 16 February 2020

Readings

1st Reading: Sirach 15:15-20; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

WEEKDAY MASSES

No 6.30am Mass on Monday
 No 9am Mass on Wednesday
 until further notice

Thursday 20 February 9am
 Friday 21 February 9am

WEEKEND MASSES

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

Parish Calendar

FEBRUARY

Sunday 16

Plenary Council - listening
 and discernment session
 St Agatha's School APAC
 10.00am

Monday 17

SVDP Meeting 5pm
 Parish Office

Saturday 22/Sunday 23

"Caritas" Project Compassion
 commences. Project
 Compassion boxes and sets of
 envelopes will be available
 next weekend.

This weekend
 we welcome
 Fr Biju Thomas
 to St Agatha's.
 Please make him
 feel welcome.



REFLECTION

Jesus continues to instruct the disciples in the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. The readings for today focus our attention on the nature of true wisdom. It is this true wisdom which prompts us to choose the right course of action. It is true wisdom that

directs us in our interpretation of the law.

The longer we live, the more we realise that life experiences open up for us a series of choices. With these choices we chart the path that we will take. Circumstances might be thrust on us, but we can still make choices about how we will deal with them. Obedient people do what they are told; wise people choose what good they will do. True wisdom calls us to choose life and whatever enhances life. If we are truly wise, we will come to realise that what was acceptable and life-enhancing in one situation may not be appropriate in another. Life is fluid, and our thinking and acting must be flexible enough to adapt when necessary.

True wisdom, which comes to us through the Spirit, will enrich us with insight into life in ways we never thought possible. We will realise where and how we fit into the vast and interrelated ecosystems of the universe, and we will be overawed with the majesty and intricacy of its workings. We will understand once and for all that the value of anything is determined by its capacity to enrich life, and we will commit ourselves to and cherish every manifestation of that life...© Dianne Bergant CSA

Clayfield Conversations

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Historical Context – But I now say to you...

There is a distinct pattern to the teaching examples Jesus provides: 'You have heard it said ...'; 'but I now say to you...'. This was a common method of teaching in Jesus' day and is often used as an example to suggest that Jesus was regarded as a Rabbi in his day. It is a typical rabbinical method of interpreting scripture. The rabbi quotes the teaching (you have heard it said...) and then offers an interpretation or reinterpretation of that teaching (but I now say to you). While it is an unfamiliar teaching style for us today, it would have been common in Jesus' time.

Living the Gospel – Interpretation

Jesus demonstrates the crucial nature of interpretation. It is easy for us today to look at something like the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes and dismiss them as irrelevant. Taken literally, they have fairly limited application to our modern lives. However, interpreted in a broader context and within the context of our own lives, such ancient codes of behaviour can take on new significance. Jesus points us towards the importance of looking beyond the surface and searching out the truth of such statements. Interpretation of scripture for our modern lives and modern world is vital to living life to the fullest....*Liturgy Help*.

THANK YOU

A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped in any way to make the St Agatha's Feast Day a wonderful celebration. Thank you to St Agatha's School for the use of the Presentation Centre, all the committees, stall workers, cooks, bakers and to the tremendous amount of parishioners who attended to make the day so special.

A total of \$635.00 was raised for the Vinnies Bush Fire Appeal which is an awesome effort. Thank you everyone for your support.



St Agatha's
Parish School, Clayfield

OPEN DAY

Friday 6th March, 2020 • 8.45am - 10.30am

6 Hunter Lane, Clayfield Q 4011 | P 3326 9222 | www.stagathascayfield.qld.edu.au
R.S.V.P. by Friday 28th February pcayfield@bne.catholic.edu.au

 School tours are available	 Assembly will be held at 8.45am in the Presentation Centre	 Visit classrooms from Prep to Year 6
 Meet the Principal Ms Anne-Marie Maw	 Light refreshments will be served during the Open Day	 School choir will perform

St Agatha's School Clayfield PREP 2021

If you have a child born between 1/7/15 – 30/6/16, they are eligible to commence Prep in 2021.

All enrolment applications are now submitted online via our school website

www.stagathascayfield.qld.edu.au

Please note only completed applications will be considered for a place in Prep 2021.

Non Sibling applications close for Prep 2021 on 13 March 2020 and interviews will take place for Non Siblings in April 2020.

Sibling applications for Prep 2021 have now closed. Interviews for Siblings will be held in May.

BAPTISMS

With great joy we welcome
Hamish Campbell and Frank Fiumara
who will be baptised this weekend.

DATE CLAIMER

Caritas Kitchen Sunday 29 March 2020
following the 5.30pm Mass

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Wednesday 26 February
6.30am and 9.00am
*Please note years 4, 5 and 6
will be attending the 9am Mass*

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/>



March 2020

Pray for Zimbabwe



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER | St Mark's Anglican Church
Cnr Bonney Avenue and Bellevue Terrace Clayfield
Friday 6 March 2020 10.00am. Everyone welcome

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent
starting Friday 28 February at 8.15am

In our prayers we remember

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Les Brumptom, Brian Kelleher, Sarina Caruso

Those who are sick:

Chris Stevens, Duncan Pegg, Charlie Richards, Noreen Martin, Kateri Byrnes, Virendra 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, 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.



LITTLE BLACK BOOKS

*Six-minute meditations on the
Sunday Gospels of Lent (Cycle A)*
are available for sale at the Piety Stall
for \$4.00 each.

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>

Please join us for refreshments on this Sunday 16 February

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL BRISBANE

invites you to "TOGETHER FOR THE GLORY OF GOD", our Opening Event for 2020 on Saturday 22 Feb from 10am – 5pm at the CCR Brisbane Centre, 688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate.

Join us to fast and pray for Revival and Transformation to Australia; to discern and pray for God's desire for CCR Brisbane.

Mass celebrated by Fr Leonard Uzuegbu.

ALL welcome.

It will be a day of fasting so please
BYO appropriate lunch.

Enquiries: Miriam (3103 2400) or email:
secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.au for more details.

PLENARY COUNCIL

This Sunday 16 February at 10.00am
a listening and discernment session will be
held at St Agatha's School APAC Centre.
All welcome!

For more information about Plenary 2020
and the National Themes for Discernment go to
<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.*

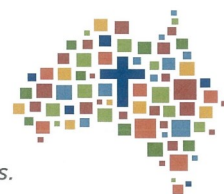
*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.*

Amen.

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



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



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

5.00pm

7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

READERS:

15/16 Feb	Jack Williamson Ann Goves	Annaliese Beckmann Jeanine Bygott	Chanelle Simpson	Life Teen Mass
22/23 Feb	Ann Goves Katrina Murphy	Annette Riba Anne O'Connor	Jane Arkinstall Ryan Smethurst	Life Teen Mass

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

15/16 Feb				Life Teen Mass
22/23 Feb	Edward Foley	Paulette Archer	Amrita Moss	Life Teen Mass

"HOME" COMMUNION MINISTERS:

16 Feb	Tom & Jeannine Treston
23 Feb	Lisa Carter

ORGANISTS:

15/16 Feb				Life Teen Mass
22/23 Feb			Robyn Cuming	Life Teen Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

15/16 Feb	Billy Crutcher Dash Crutcher			Bart Marino Amelia Marino
22/23 Feb				Alex Oliveri

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

16 Feb	Ewan McPherson and Lisa Sos
23 Feb	Katrina Murphy and Jane Cameron



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 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 17 February 2020

SVDP CLOTHING BIN located behind the Church with easy access.



Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month during school term, a small team of us conduct Children's Liturgy during the 9am Mass. We are seeking more volunteers to

assist with this very rewarding ministry particularly if you have small children of your own. You would take on role as assistant only and move to leader only if you feel confident to do so. Please contact the Parish Office for any further details.

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.



Volunteers needed for the following ministries:

Altar Servers (must be Confirmed)
Children's Liturgy
Eucharist Ministers
Hospitality
Readers (7am Mass in particular)
Welcomers (Mass)

All relevant paperwork and training will be provided. New rosters will commence beginning of February. Please contact the parish office if you can assist in any way.

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LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS (26 February - 8 April)

"Be Opened: A Journey to New Life" is the title of this year's Lenten program.

The Lenten reflection group will commence on Wednesday 26 February 7pm Parish Office

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."
(Matthew 5:20)

Readings - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) - 23 February 2020

1st Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48