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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) 14 June 2020

We celebrate Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, to give thanks for being able to receive Jesus in a very special way in Holy Communion.

When we pray, Jesus is with us, however when we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, he is with us in a wholly different way, a way in which we can feel closer to him than ever.

At the Last Supper, Jesus said he would be in the bread and wine, and although we may not understand transubstantiation, we do understand nothing is impossible for Jesus.

When Our Lord said, "This is My body," the entire substance of the bread was changed into His body; and when He said, "This is My blood," the entire substance of the wine was changed into His blood.

Christ could not have used clearer, more explicit words than "This is My body." He did not say, "This is a sign of My body," or "This represents My body," but, "This is My body." We take Christ at His word because He is the omnipotent God. On His word, we know that the Holy Eucharist is



the body and blood of Christ.

He told us to share food and drink from the altar. He told us to do it this regularly.

The celebration of Corpus Christ, the Body and Blood of Christ, is the feast at the very centre and heart of our church, the centre and heart of our faith, and the centre and heart of our parish, the centre and heart of the lives of each of us: Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

May Jesus in the Eucharist always be the very centre of our life.

O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine, All praise and all thanksgiving Be every moment thine.

Everyday 20...

We can now have 20 people at Mass both weekdays and Sundays. If you would love to attend, please contact the Parish Office (Ph. 3262 2859, email: clayfield@bne catholic.net.au) or Fr Biju Thomas. Please book by FRIDAY 12PM for any weekend Masses.

Holv Mass on 14 June

5pm (Vigil Mass) Saturday Sunday 9am

The Holy Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-3.30pm, Friday: 8.30am-12.00pm

We thank them all...

It is a blessing to have lots of ministers to help us, and on this feast of the Holy Eucharist, let us thank all our ministers for helping us in different ways.

It is a true fact that all members of our parish family are involved in different ministries, for the perfect celebration of the Holy Eucharist; the parish priest, the readers of the Word, the Special Ministers of Holy Communion and the servers, the choir, the collectors, those who clean and decorate the church and surroundings, those who arrange the morning tea after Mass on Sunday, those who help the parish financially, all those who are visiting and helping the sick, and those who pray everyday for all our neighbours and others - all are involved in parish ministry. Let us all thank God for being part of this parish family and part of the Holy Eucharist.

In different ways we contribute ourselves to the parish which makes us a wonderful parish family. On this feast, let us pray for each other to grow more and more in Eucharistic communion.

Week days...

St Agatha's Clayfield, is alive and active during weekdays, as many of us come to celebrate the Holy Eucharist... but, let us look forward to more people coming to celebrate the Eucharist!

The everyday presence of some of our parishioners for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, helps ensure an ongoing priestly presence in Clayfield. This commitment is greatly appreciated.

Ministers for weekday Masses

You are most welcome to help during the Holy Mass on weekdays. We need your help for scripture reading, offertory procession or to be a marshal in the Church.

Looking for altar servers...

We thank Jane Cameron very much for coordinating the altar servers this year. Since we started to celebrate the Holy Eucharist again with 20 people every day, the altar servers are most welcome to continue to help at the altar.

Handling of Money

As restrictions start to lift we also need to look at the way we take up the collection in the 'post-COVID' environment. For the time being we will have collection boxes in the middle of our Church as people leave, to minimise the handling of money and passing around the collection plate. Your suggesions are most welcome...

"Thank you to everyone who contributes to our Parish financially. Your generosity is important and essential for our parish to carry out its mission."

CAN WE CONTACT YOU If you haven't been receiving our weekly email from the Parish please send an email to the office at: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au or phone the office with your details.

If you wish to attend a Mass please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Biju Thomas

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Bill Kirby

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Lorraine Douglas, George Leutenegger, Mona Leutenegger, William Mahon, Eileen Williamson, Joan Hinson, Lysle Killoran, Brendon Cross

And those who are unwell:

Edward Chan, Duncan Pegg, Charlie Richards, Noreen Martin, Kateri Byrnes, 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, El Purwo, Patrick Gallagher, Hellen Passente

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

We celebrate

On Friday 19th June, we celebrate the feast of the Sacred Heart. The Sacred Heart is one of the most popular images of Christ. It speaks of the love of Christ, a love which showed itself on the cross, above all. The pierced heart of Christ proclaims the "greater love" that Jesus speaks about in the gospel of John. "No one can have greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."



People who have the Sacred Heart image in their homes often feel that love of Christ in a very personal way, just as Paul did when he

said, "I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me."



On 20 June Saturday we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Honouring Mary's Immaculate Heart is really just another way of honouring Mary as the person who was chosen to be the Mother of God, recognising her extraordinary holiness and the immense love she bestowed on Jesus as his mother, the person who was called to share in and co-operate in his redemptive sufferings.

ST AGATHA'S SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020 REGISTRATION (All baptised children in Grade 3)

Registrations are now open for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Dates will be confirmed at a later stage. So that we can keep you up-to-date we would ask you to please register your child via email <u>clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au</u>.

INCREASE OF MASS ATTENDANCE NUMBERS

From the 10th July we will be in a position to increase Mass attendance numbers. Due

to the complexities and restrictions in place, a booking system will need to be set up.

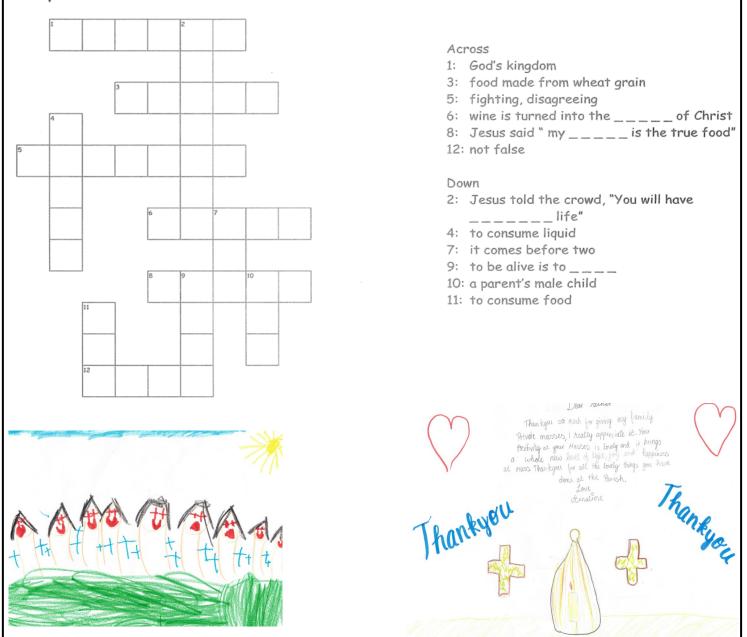
More details will follow in the coming weeks.

St Agatha's is now accepting enrolments for *boys and girls for Yr 5, 2021*.

Please contact the Enrolment Secretary on 3326 9222 or email: pclayfield@bne.catholic.edu.au

Children's Corner

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever



REFUGEE WEEK 14-20 JUNE 2020

Refugee Week is Australia's peak annual activity to inform the public about refugees and celebrate the positive contributions made by refugees to Australian society and so create a culture of welcome throughout the country. https://www.refugeeweek.org.au/about/overview/.

Parish Administration

Parish Administrator:Fr. Biju Thomas (0470212502)Parish Secretary:Mrs Rosemary GreerFamily and Sacramental Ministry:Mrs Jane CameronCommunity & Mission Council Chair:Mrs Mary-Caroline van Paassen

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Local Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative: Georgia Allan (0456 441 717) lsr.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

St. Agatha's Catholic Primary School

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