



# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## *Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time* *28 June 2020*

The scripture reading for this thirteenth Sunday of ordinary time, is a call to be totally committed to Christ.

In the New Testament, over and over, we find that we must remain with the Lord because He remains with us. We are called to walk with Him and to listen to Him and to allow His teaching and His words to form the way we think, the way we feel and the way we act. Following the Lord Jesus means allowing Him to change every aspect of our lives so that we more clearly reflect His way of living, of thinking and of being...

### *A Hearty Welcome* *to our new Parish Finance Council Members...*

Five of our parishioners have joined the Parish Finance Council as new members. Presently, we have Lauren as the Finance chair and Jodi as the Finance secretary.

After my arrival we were looking for more of our parishioners to join our finance council. Because of Covid 19, I could not contact many people during this time. But later, after consulting many parishioners, we could form the updated Finance Council.

The Finance Council helps the Parish Priest for the parish administration, financial management, financial reporting, legal matters, general administration, oversight of the parish school, oversight of other parish operations etc...

**Present Finance Council Chair: Lauren Mitchell**

**Finance Secretary: Jodi Sutton**

#### **New Members**

**Brian Rada**

**Bernard Power**

**Dan Butler**

**Joseph O'Brien**

**Karen Birtles**

We are so blessed to have these experienced and efficient council members. Let us welcome them, congratulate and thank them for taking this great responsibility for our parish.

Remain Blessed

Fr Biju Thomas

**Weekend Mass booking link: <https://www.trybooking.com/BKFQD>.**

## Increase of Mass attendance numbers

From weekend 11/12 July, Mass attendance numbers will increase and we will be returning to our normal **four** Masses, Saturday (Vigil) 5pm, Sunday 7am, 9am and 5.30pm. Due to the complexities and restrictions in place, a booking system has been set up. The "Trybooking" link is: <https://www.trybooking.com/BKFQD>. Please note that the online bookings will close on Friday at 10.00am, prior to each weekend. It is **important** that you book for any Masses that you wish to attend, as we will not be in a position to allow anyone in, who just "turns-up". If you would like any help with the online booking or do not have access to email, please contact the Parish Office.

If you are booking for other members of your family (different residential address) or friends you **must** book individual tickets for them, not all under your name and address.

Please take note that singing is only restricted to a Cantor without congregational participation.

## Help needed for weekend and weekday Masses

**We require marshals (below the age of 70) and volunteers for assisting with the daily cleaning of the Church and other ministries. Without marshals and volunteers we will not be able to continue having our regular Masses. Marshal duties will be explained.**

If you would like to help, please contact the Parish Office on 3262 2859.

## 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.

## 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 suggestions 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](mailto: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:**

Lex Muirhead

## **Those whose anniversaries occur about now:**

Paul McGuire, Anne Seymour

## **And those who are unwell:**

Anthony Menezes, Margot Gooding, 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.*

## *Feast of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles*

On 29 June, the Church celebrates the feast day of Sts Peter & Paul. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there.

Peter, who was named Simon, was a fisherman of Galilee and was introduced to the Lord Jesus by his brother Andrew, also a fisherman. Jesus gave him the name Cephas (*Petrus* in Latin), which means 'Rock,' because he was to become the rock upon which Christ would build His Church.

The Acts of the Apostles illustrates his role as head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith.

Peter spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and eventually being martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

St Paul was the Apostle of the Gentiles. From his letters we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church. Before receiving the name Paul, he was Saul, a Jewish pharisee who zealously persecuted Christians in Jerusalem. Saul's conversion took place as he was on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christian community there. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world.

Paul was imprisoned and taken to Rome, where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls.

In a sermon in the year 395, St Augustine of Hippo said of Sts Peter and Paul: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one... we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith."

## **Two minute homily**

Fr Biju has recorded a two minute homily for this Sunday - 13th Sunday in Ordinary time. Please go to the following you tube link <https://youtu.be/Nib8fFK1fto>.

## **Special prayer...**

We pray for the children whose reception of the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist has been delayed, that they will look forward all the more to these occasions of grace.

## Children's Corner

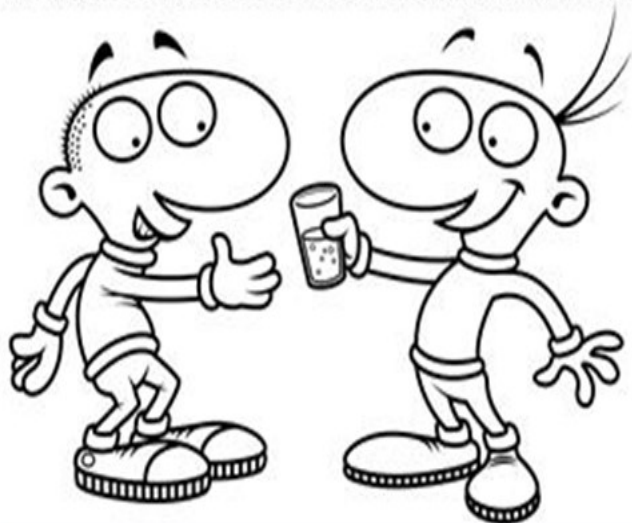
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Jesus says that by welcoming others, we will be rewarded. Draw a picture of yourself making someone feel welcome.



Anyone who gives a disciple of Jesus even a cup of cold water, will not lose their reward.



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

Registrations are still open for the Sacrament of Confirmation. So that we can keep you up-to-date with the preparation program, we ask that you please register your child via email [clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au).

#### Confirmation Ceremony dates:

Monday 7 September - 6pm

Tuesday 8 September - 6pm

Wednesday 9 September - 6pm

Thursday 10 September - 6pm

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](mailto:pclayfield@bne.catholic.edu.au)

### Parish Administration

**Parish Administrator:** Fr. Biju Thomas (0470212502)  
**Parish Secretary:** Mrs Rosemary Greer  
**Family and Sacramental Ministry:** Mrs Jane Cameron  
**Finance Council Chair:** Lauren Mitchell  
**Community & Mission Council Chair:** Mrs Mary-Caroline van Paassen

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

**Facebook:** facebook.com/St. Agatha's Catholic Parish Clayfield  
**Aggies Youth:** facebook.com/aggiesyouth

**Local Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative:** Georgia Allan (0456 441 717) [lsl.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:lsl.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au)

### St. Agatha's Catholic Primary School

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**School Principal:** Ms Anne-Marie Maw  
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**Outside School Hours Care Coordinator:** Roxanne Grogan