



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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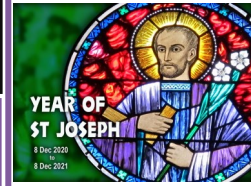
Third Sunday of Lent 6/7 March 2021

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Israel believed that the temple was built over the navel of the universe, the *axis mundi*, that spot where the world above and the world below met the world of history, thus enabling the three worlds to communicate. When Jesus came as the new temple, to be the centre of the universe, the spot where three-way cosmic communication occurs, the presence of God in the midst of the community. When we accept him in faith, we are accepting these claims. We may profess this belief, but do our lives reflect it?

Although some consider the law a rigid set of precepts, it is really more a collection of directives that have grown out of the experience of life. To say that Jesus is the wisdom of God means that God's wisdom is made known in him and that he is the way that points to God. While laws often embody distinctive cultural values or customs, as wisdom of God, Jesus crosses cultural boundaries and breaks down cultural distinctions. As the wisdom of God, Jesus fulfils the expectations of any and all codes of law.

Both the law and the temple witness to the power of God in the lives of believers. However, both institutions pale in the light of Jesus who is identified as the power of God. This divine power is not revealed in lofty precepts or in magnificent stones, but rather in the broken and pierced body of Jesus Christ. How willing are we to accept him?



St. Joseph,
Pray for
us...

You were chosen by God to be the foster father of Jesus, the most pure spouse of Mary, and the head of the Holy Family.

We ask your intercession...

Protect our Pope and all who labour for souls amid the trials and tribulations of this life, and grant that all peoples of the world may follow Christ.

Protect us from the disease present in our world.

Remove all fear from our hearts.

Fill us with confidence.

Dear St. Joseph, accept the offering I make to you. Be my father, protector, and guide in the way of salvation. Amen.

Children's Mass and morning tea next Sunday, 14 March 9am

A NEW WAY TO PARISH GIVING

In order to assist parishioners with their Parish Giving, the Archdiocese has developed a Parish Giving App. It is available here <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au> You can make a donation via our Parish Giving online payment system or download and use the Parish Giving mobile applications. You will need to create an account the first time you log in. After you are logged in, you will need to select the Clayfield Parish from the group and fill out the prompts. Please click on one of the buttons or QR Code below to make an online payment to the Parish. You will need to create an account the first time you log in. For your convenience, the App is also available in both the Apple App Store and Android Google Play. Please click on one of the buttons below or use the QR Code.



Please scan this QR Code with your mobile phone.



If you require assistance getting started with the App, please click <https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/slides/> for detailed instructions (including pictures) >>

You can continue using planned giving envelopes, Direct Debit or credit card, or if you wish to make a direct payment into our bank account, then please refer to the details below.

Donate directly into the parish account, stating your name as a reference.

Account Name: St Agatha's Parish Clayfield BSB: 064:786 A/C No. 100006157

Children's Mass and morning tea next Sunday 14 March 9am

All children in Grade Prep to Year 6 and above are invited to participate in the Children's Mass at 9am on the 14th of March 2021. At the Mass, children are asked to read, bring the gifts to the Altar, take up collections, Altar serve and welcome people as they arrive. If your child/children would like to participate in any of these voluntary activities please email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au or phone the Parish office on 3262 2859 by 9 March 2021. We look forward to seeing you there.

We will **not be having** children's liturgy on Sunday the 14th of March because we are having a special Children's Mass. The Lenten program will resume on Sunday the 21st of March. All children are most welcome to attend and if they wish, participate in some way at the Children's Mass. If your child would like a role to play, please contact the Parish office by Tuesday the 9th of March.

This weekend's catechists are: Katrina Murphy, Mel Ryan and Kate Wick

Please join us for Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be prayed on next Friday, at 9.30 am, after the Holy Mass (there will be no adoration during Lent).

Choir group for Vigil Mass

We are looking for musicians or choir group for the Vigil Mass on Saturday at 5.00pm and Sunday morning Mass at 7.00am. If anybody would like to help the community voluntarily, you are most welcome, please contact the office.

Aveo Prayer Session

There will be a prayer session at Aveo (469 Sandgate Road, Albion) on March 10th at 10.30am.

Easter Raffle

Tickets are on sale for our Easter Raffle. Tickets are \$2.00 each of 3 for \$5.00. Try your luck to win one of our great prizes.

Reconciliation for Easter

1st Rite of Reconciliation:

Monday 29 March 9.30am

2nd Rite of Reconciliation:

Tuesday 23 March 6.00pm

The observance of Lent is so important in our spiritual life... The purpose of Lent is the renewal of life and preparation through prayer, repentance of sins, almsgiving etc.

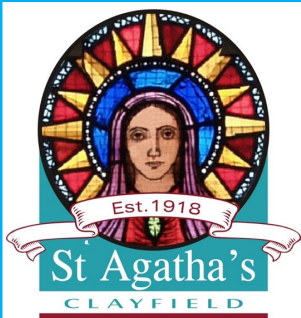
In Lent, we commit to fasting or giving up certain types of luxuries as a form of penance. It is a time for spiritual discipline, such as reading the Bible and spiritual books to draw ourselves near to God. We meditate on the Stations of the Cross privately or together in a community.

Lent gives us an opportunity to deliberately focus on meditating on the cross and sufferings of Jesus. Lent humbles us. Lent awakens a hunger in us for more of Jesus. Lent helps us draw closer to the Father. Lent breathes life into Easter celebrations!

The Catholic Leader

The Catholic Leader March 2021 newspaper is now available for \$4. This month's issue explores the theme of evangelisation, and includes:

- Editorial: How journalists evangelise
- Evangelisation in the Archdiocese of Brisbane
- Archbishop Mark Coleridge's monthly column
- Family and friends honour young woman who died at 19
- Meet Matt Hayden's evangelisation coach
- Senior Living Advertising Feature



Clayfield Catholic Parish

Our faith sustains us through challenging times. Now, your support is needed to help our parishes to continue their valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability.

To assist you to support our Parish you can now give via



<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

Remember to select Clayfield Catholic Parish as your favourite parish when giving with this app.

We thank you for your kind support.

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

John Tully, Ron Fingleton, Fr Patrick Dowd,
Louisa Murphy, Ronald Wedmaier, Rosalind Gundelich

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Pamela Ross, Guido Mattiazzi

And those who are unwell:

Garry Dennien, Joseph Meese, John Hohn, Celso Limas, Lorraine Mary Lamond, Sr Maureen Martin FCJ, Delphine Schulz, Shelley Winter, Margot Gooding, Duncan Pegg, Charlie Richards, Noreen Martin, Kateri Byrnes, Patrick (Paddy) Ryan, Nick Newton, 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.

Prayer for the sick

Almighty and Everlasting God,
the eternal salvation of those who
believe in You,
hear us on behalf of Your servants
who are sick,
for whom we humbly beg the help of
your mercy,
so that, being restored to health,
they may render thanks to
you in your Church.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen



Palm Sunday

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 7.00am, 9.00am and 5.30pm

Holy Thursday 1 April

6.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 2 April

10.00am Stations of the Cross

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

EASTER

Saturday 3 April

6.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 4 April

7.00am and 9.00am Mass

Please Note: NO 5.30pm Mass

You will be required to book online

<https://www.trybooking.com/BKFQD>

for each of the Masses during Holy Week that you wish to attend.

Singers/Musicians

If you love to sing or can play an instrument, why not join our Choir. We are always looking for new members. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office (3262 2859 or email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au) and we can get you started.

Rehearsals are held before the Easter and Christmas Masses and any other major Church event. Please come along... we would like to see you.

PROJECT COMPASSION

This Lent we are encouraged once again to make our observance of alms-giving in the form of donations to Caritas. Your donations to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion give expression to the Gospel imperative to pursue justice and help those who are the most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

St Agatha's Facebook Page; please join, like and follow



St Agatha's Catholic Parish Clayfield



Volunteers

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted"

All parish communities rely on the generous support of volunteers.

We are very fortunate here at St Agatha's to have a large number of parishioners who contribute their time to assist with various ministries.

If you are able to offer your time to assist with any of the following ministries, please tick the appropriate box and return this form to the Parish Office. If you need any further information on any of the ministries, please contact Rosemary or Jane.

Readers (Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7am, 9am and 5.30pm)

Church Communion Ministers

Children's Liturgy

Hospitality

Welcome ministry

Bankers

PowerPoint Clickers

My contact details are:

Name:

Phone:

Email:



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.

Preparing for the next Sunday's Readings - Fourth Sunday of Lent, 14 March 2021
1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10; Gospel: John 3:14-21

Weekend roster for Ministers of the Word: February/March 2021

Readers

DATE	5.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
6/7 Mar	Julie-Anne Gibson	Chris Maher	Dan Butler	Amelia Marino-Cebulski
	Graham Gibson	Kirsty Stevens	Hannah Dalisay	Bernadette O'Connor
13/14 Mar	Annette Riba	Andrew Douglas	Children's Mass	Giselle Hossinger
	Nik Kure	Karen Birtles		Tony Charlesworth
20/21 Mar	Ann Goves	Paul Marshal	Erin Bledsoe	Max Van Balen
	Jack Williamson	Jeanine Bygott	Hannah Dalisay	Jo Hayes
27/28 Mar	Edward Foley	Kirsty Stevens	Phill Ryan	Amelia Marino-Cebulski
	Jenny Close	Chris Maher	Luke Sutton	

Leaders/ Marshals

DATE	5.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
6/7 Mar		M. Maher/ K. Court	D. MacGinley	J. Perkins
13/14 Mar	K. McEwan	L. Crowe/ K. Court		J. Perkins
20/21 Mar	K. McEwan/ K. Court	D. MacGinley	J. Perkins
27/28 Mar	K. McEwan	L. Crowe/ K. Court	D. MacGinley	J. Perkins

You are invited to celebrate...

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.00pm
Reconciliation 4.15pm
Sunday 7.00am
9.00am
5.30pm

As of March, you will no longer need to book for any weekend Masses. When you arrive, just write your name and phone number in the folder provided (marshals will be there to assist you).

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8th 9.00am
Tuesday 9th 9.00am
Rosary 9.30am
Wednesday 10th 9.00am
Friday 12th 9.00am
Stations of the Cross 9.30am
No Adoration during Lent
Saturday 13th 9.00am

THANK YOU...

Thank you so much for your generous contributions to the church.

The offerings from weekend 27/28 February 2021

1st Collection \$956.00

2nd Collection \$364.00

If you are not part of the Planned Giving Program and would like to contribute via online internet banking, details are as follows: **PLEASE NOTE NEW BANK DETAILS**

Account name: St Agatha's Parish Clayfield

BSB number: 064 786 Account number: 100006157

Have you entered your details in the parish Register...?

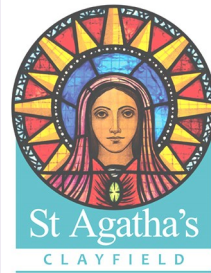
If you are not registered your name in the parish registry, you are encouraged to complete the census form, which is included in the New Parishioner Pack, located at the entrance of the Church. Once completed please submit it to the parish office, so that we can enter your details in the parish register.

If you have any queries regarding volunteering in the church please contact the office. The Parish secretary prepares the rosters for all the ministries.

Have a cuppa with the Parish Priest

Let us have a cuppa together at your home or in the coffee shop or in the presbytery.

Fr Biju



*A warm,
open and
welcoming
Church*

Parish Administration

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Family and Sacramental Ministry:
Mrs Jane Cameron

Finance Council Chair: Jodi Sutton

Community and Mission Council Chair: Manus Maher

Aggies Youth: Ewan McPherson

Local Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative:
Georgia Allan (0456 441 717)

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

6 Hunter Lane Clayfield Qld 4011.
Phone: 3326 9222

School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw

APRE: Mr Jake Knowles

Outside School Hours Care Coordinator: Roxanne Grogan