



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Palm Sunday 27/28 March 2021

Holy Week

Holy Week is most definitely a very sacred time of the year, for it is now that we will commemorate and remember the last week of Jesus' life on this earth.

Holy week begins with Palm Sunday, which marks Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The central feature of the service proper to this day, as it was in the earliest times, is the blessing of the palm branches which are then borne in procession to the church.

The important days for us are the Easter Triduum. These are the three days just before Easter. On Holy Thursday, we re-enact the Lord's Last Supper, which He shared with His apostles on the night He was betrayed and arrested. This is one of the most beautiful liturgies of the entire liturgical year. At the Mass, the priest will wash the feet of twelve men, just as Jesus did. Also on this night, priests all over the world will renew their sacred vows. This is because, at the Last Supper, Jesus not only instituted the Mass (Eucharist) but also the ministerial priesthood.

On Good Friday, the day of the crucifixion and death of our Lord, we have the veneration of the Cross. A service is held at three o'clock in the afternoon (the hour Jesus is believed to have died). We go forward and kiss the Cross in order to show honour and respect for Christ's sacrifice for our sake. There is no consecration of the Eucharist on this day, and the Communion we receive will be from the night before, which has been reserved in the tabernacle.

Holy Saturday is a vigil. We keep watch for the expectant rising of Our Saviour. The blessing of the Easter fire begins this celebration. From that fire, the Paschal Candle is lit.

After the readings, the liturgy of Baptism begins. While the new members of the community are baptized, the whole community joins in renewing their promises. The whole community is then sprinkled with water as a remembrance of our baptism.

"All of this is done by our Lord for forgiveness of our sins, and for life everlasting with Him".

Year of St Joseph

8 December 2020
To
8 December 2021



Change the Life of our Parish ...

Jesus changes the lives of our parish through each one of you ...

Please be a volunteer or special minister to be the instrument of Jesus to make the parish alive —

Join voluntarily

Join with full heart and spirit ...

And make our community a joyful community.

1. Ministers of the word

2. Extra ordinary communion ministers

3. Children's Liturgy

4. Hospitality

5. Welcome Ministry

6. Bankers

7. Powerpoint operators

For more details please contact
Fr Biju or the office

Remember the date of Sacrament of Penance before Holy Triduum.

1st Rite of Reconciliation:

Monday 29 March 9.30am

2nd Rite of Reconciliation:

Tuesday 30 March 6.00pm

Children's Liturgy on Palm Sunday

This Palm Sunday, there is a special liturgy for children, and it is the last day of children's Lenten liturgy. The catechists are: Jane Cameron, Ewan McPherson and Renee Maunder.

Easter Vigil with children

At the Easter Vigil this year, we will not have the blessing of the fire outside the church, but we will bless the fire inside the church in a different way and also the children will be lighting the lamps proclaiming the victory of light. We are looking for children for the Easter Vigil Mass.

St Agatha's School

St Agatha's Primary School families had a wonderful time on Saturday 20th March at the Welcome Soiree. Many parents attended the event at Ruggers, Albion and enjoyed the opportunity to make new friends and catch up with old ones.

The Year 5 'Eco-Warriors' this week presented some encouragement awards to students they had seen looking after the environment. The students were delighted with the surprises the Year 5 students had created.

On Friday the 'Step Up for Project Compassion' campaign took place at St Agatha's with students walking the stairs of St Agatha's as a fundraiser for Caritas Australia.

Thank you to everyone involved and to the Year 6 leaders who hosted social justice information stations along the way.

Did you collect your Planned Giving Envelopes...?

They are ready for collection at the entrance of the Church.

Last day for Easter Raffle

Tickets are on sale for one more weekend. Raffle will be drawn at the 5.30pm Mass this Sunday.

Holy Week

Mon: Holy Mass 9.00am

1st Rite of sacrament of penance: 9.30am

Tues: Holy Mass 9.00am

2nd Rite of sacrament of penance: 6.00pm

Wed: Holy Mass 9.00am

SACRED PASCAL TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday

April 1: THE LORD'S SUPPER 6.30pm

Good Friday

April 2: STATIONS OF THE CROSS 10.00AM

PASSION OF THE LORD: 3.00PM

Easter Vigil

April 3: HOLY MASS: 6.00PM

Easter Sunday

April 4: HOLY MASS: 7.00AM

HOLY MASS: 9.00AM

NO HOLY MASS AT 5.30PM

Booking for Easter Mass essential.

Although restrictions have eased and the national roll out of vaccinations begun, the larger crowds expected at Easter time still requires parishes to be vigilant and follow COVID safe practices. For churches in the Archdiocese of Brisbane this means everyone must pre-register and book to attend Masses.

For our parish, please visit and book for yourself or the family online at:

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

Parish Office

The Parish Office will close at 12pm next Thursday 1 April and will reopen on Tuesday 6 April, 8.30am.

Baptismal Joy!!

This weekend we welcome with great joy three new members of Christ's faithful people: Asher Cooper, son of Jason and Samantha Cooper; Harriet Scanlan, daughter of Tim and Hannah Scanlan; and James Sartor, son of John and Raquel Sartor. May they always know God's love and the support of this Christian Community.

May the spirit of God always live in their life.



In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Brock Miller, William Guiney, Maria Viena, Jean Williamson

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Silvio D'Astuto, Reg Shun Wah (Snr), Dave Schonrock, Maria Hele, Gene Bartels, Lou Bartels, William White, Fr John McBride, Mary McBride, Sr Marcella Claffey

And those who are unwell:

Trevor Simpson, Garry Dennien, Joseph Meese, John Hohl, 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.

Support St. Agatha's Parish

Your financial support of St Agatha's Church is always appreciated. Ways to financially support your parish:

- ⇒ Direct debit
- ⇒ Place your offerings in the collection plates during the Mass
- ⇒ Planned giving envelopes
- ⇒ The Parish Giving App. Hover the camera on your smart phone over the QR code and tap on the link to the Parish Giving facility.



Holy Land (Good Friday) Collection April 2nd 2021

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, April 2nd.

This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection.

It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, due to the global pandemic, it was an extremely difficult time for the Church and people of the Holy Land with very little income due to the lack of pilgrims and the closure of churches around the world. Despite this, Australian Catholics did manage to donate \$406,000 (compared to the \$1.3 million in 2019).

Biblical shrines 74, Schools 22 (7000+ students), Parishes 29, 'Casa Nova' Guest Houses 4, Other religious centres 19, Orphanages and refuges 6, Charitable programs: Home rental assistance, educational scholarships, medical centres. Institutions: Franciscan Biblical Centre, Seminary, Christian Information Centre, Franciscan Printing Press, Centre for Oriental Christian Studies.

Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers.

Thank you.

Outside School Hours Care

Did You Know that

EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Are coming soon keep an eye out for the Vacation care program coming your way.

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

Catholic Early EdCare
WATCH THEM GROW

Roster for Holy Week

Holy Thursday 6.30pm	Stations of the Cross 10am	Passion of our Lord 3pm	Easter Vigil 6pm	7.00am Mass	9.00am Mass
Organist Jenny McKeon	Organist Jenny McKeon	Organist Robyn Cuming	Organist Daniel Allen	Music	Organist Robyn Cuming
First Reading Amanda Bell	Reader Hannah Dalisay	First Reading Jack Williamson	First Reading Jenny Close	First Reading Katrina Murphy	First Reading Tomos Walters
Second Reading Joseph Tan	Reader Sean Finn	Second Reading Nick Eden	Second Reading Joel Perkins	Second Reading Paul Marshall	Second Reading Michael Crutcher
PowerPoint Clicker Andrew Bell	PowerPoint Clicker	Passion Reader Narrator Andrew Douglas	Third Reading Amanda Bell	PowerPoint Clicker	PowerPoint Clicker Bell Family
Oil Announcer Geraldine Swindells		Passion Reader Crowd Choir	Epistle Reading Annette Riba	Communion Minister Deborah Hall	Communion Minister Geraldine Swindells
Oil Carriers Gloria Lee Alexa Velasquez Anne O'Connor		Passion Reader Other Dianne Eden	Prayer of the Faithful Ann Goves		
Communion Minister Jenny Close		Solemn Intercessions Alison Hall	Communion Minister Manus Maher		

Three days with the Community.

Immediately after the Easter celebrations and the 9 am Holy Mass, Fr Biju will be joining with his religious community in Brisbane and will return on Friday. Therefore there will not be Holy Mass for the following four days:

Monday 5 April, Tuesday 6 April, Wednesday 7 April and Thursday 8 April.

Friday 9 April, Holy Mass at 9am. There will be no adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this day.

Preparing for the next Sunday's Readings

Divine Mercy Sunday

11 April 2021

Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

THANK YOU...

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

Total Income, February: including Sunday offerings, liturgy offerings and fundraising: \$19,288.88

Total Expense, February: \$16,827.37

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 at the presbytery.

Fr Biju

Parish Administration

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