



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Third Sunday of Easter 17/18 April 2021

Seventeen Blessed Years

This weekend I am celebrating my 17th anniversary of ordination and this weekend Holy Mass will be celebrated with joy and gratitude for my seventeen wonderful years of priestly life. The Holy ordination has a common meaning and a common sharing and I have been experiencing this concept of common sharing for 17 years of my priestly life.

It is so great that the good people, friends made my priestly life more celestial. Celebrating life, both in joy and sorrow, and worshipping the Lord together in community is the most beautiful thing in our Christian life.

The Catholic Church is blessed with so many priests and religious... According to the 2016 Pontifical Yearbook, we had 415,792 diocesan and religious priests, 44,566 permanent deacons, 54,559 professed religious brothers, 682,729 professed women religious, and more than 116,939 candidates for the diocesan and religious priesthood in 2014, and thousands of lay ministers and missionaries. It shows that every day many young hearts are inspired by the divine call.

The simple dreams of young seminarians and religious are so amazing! Primarily they may dream about their own spiritual relationship with God and the saints. Their heart may flow like a mystic; their mind may thirst for spiritual joy...

Most of the seminarians have a strong family background and their parents, brothers and sisters, relatives, along with good parish priests and neighbours all help them to become good priests. In fact, the family is the greatest ongoing support as well, the greatest strength for a seminarian. Those who live in the seminaries and presbyteries need to be supported so that their spiritual heart may shine with spirit.

Secondly, most of them dream about beautiful churches, praying with many people celebrating the Holy Eucharist together. They may dream of many more climbing the spiritual realm. When their

dreams fail to become reality, all their spiritual desires may be melted away.

I know, as a priest that only spiritual matters can give me ultimate satisfaction. Delicious food, good living facilities, plenty of meetings and work to do or a beautiful garden are secondary.

If a priest has spiritual satisfaction, he will be a successful priest. I pray that all our priests may be happy and that they may inspire everybody to search for and achieve spiritual satisfaction.



Holy Land Collection 2021: Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Good Friday Holy Land Collection. A total of \$1,284.00 was donated.

Anointing Mass: There will be an anointing Mass next Friday 23 April at 9.00am.

Children's Liturgy: Children's Liturgy resumes this Sunday 18 April. Our catechists this weekend are Erin Bledsoe and Sally Bledsoe.

Children's Mass: Our next Children's Mass is on Sunday May 9 at 9.00am.

Aggies Youth Mass, snacks and chats: Please join us for snacks and chats after the 5.30pm Mass this Sunday 18th April. Dates for May are Sunday 2nd May and Sunday 16th May. All are welcome.

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

Total Income, March: including Sunday offerings, liturgy offerings : \$22,066.31

Total Expense, February: \$22,283.23

Please note: On Monday 19th April there will be no Holy Mass, but there will be Holy Mass on Thursday 22nd at 9am and also at 6.30pm, there will be spiritual hour initiated by the Philippine community. Fr Biju will be celebrating Mass at Fortitude Valley every Friday.

Baptismal Joy!!

This weekend we welcome with great joy five new members of Christ's faithful people: Sophie Macdonald, Liam Macdonald and Emma Macdonald, children of Tyson and Melanie Macdonald; Felicity Dunn, daughter of Ashley and Phoebe Dunn and Hunter Tomasel, son of Jordan and Danielle Tomasel. May they always know God's love and the support of this Christian Community.



In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Noreen Butler, Lex Heinemann, Peter Garlick, Enid Moses

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Ross Caruso, Filomena Santillo, Giuseppe Zavaglia, Jane Tate, Jane Guant, Judy Power

And those who are unwell:

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.

Project Compassion envelopes: If you still have your Project Compassion envelopes at home, please return them next week, drop off to the Parish Office or visit www.caritas.org.au to make your donation online.

Planned Giving Envelopes: They are ready for collection at the entrance of the Church.

The Catholic Leader: The April edition of The Catholic Leader is now available in the Church.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021

First Holy Communion : May 29, 30 and June 5, 6.

Sacrament of Confirmation: September 10.

Baptisms: St Agatha's celebrate baptisms on the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month. For any further information, please contact the parish office, phone 3262 2859.

SVDP CLOTHING BIN located behind the Church with easy access.

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

Roster for April

DATE	5.00pm	7.00am	9.00am	5.30pm
17/18 Apr	Jenny Close	Sr Cecily Foster	Jane Arkinstall	Giselle Hossinger
	Edward Foley	Paul Marshall	Hannah Dalisay	Jo Hayes
24/25 Apr	Nik Kure	Jeanine Bygott	Eileen Duncan	Max Van Balen
	Annette Riba	Chris Maher	Joseph Tan	Joel Perkins

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 19 April: No Mass

Tuesday 20 April: 9.00am, Rosary: 9.30am

Wednesday 21 April: 9.00am

Thursday 22 April: 9.00am

Friday 23 April: 9.00am Anointing Mass
Adoration: 9.30am

You no longer need to

book for any Masses. Simply write your contact details (name and phone number) in the folder provided (marshals will be there to assist you).

Preparing for the next Sunday's Readings

Fourth Sunday of Easter 25 April 2021

Acts 4:8-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

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Outside School Hours Care Coordinator:
Roxanne Grogan

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.

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

