



# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 13/14 November 2021



*A new sun is rising. Life is waking up in the warm sunlight & your spirit feels ready to make a fresh start. This time of year your spirits are bright & coming alive with new ideas; hopefully you're feeling inspired & excited to try new things*  
(From L'Ermitage d'Akchour)

Our church has regained a rejuvenating feeling over the last few weekends. After the easing of the covid 19 restrictions, I can see more and more new faces in the church, joining with us to pray and thank our Lord. Our community is so welcoming and we would like to see all parishioners joining in our celebrations and partaking in different activities of the community as in one body and one spirit.

The most joyful thing that I have noticed at all the Masses is the lovely voices of children, means more and more young families are joining the community in the Eucharist celebration. Let the voices of the children be part of our prayers. I once said that the distractions and noise of the children are also part of real life. Church should be the one place on this earth where God's people can be real with one another. God wants us to be real with him in prayer.

### Beautifully decorated children's liturgy room

Our beautiful children's liturgy room is decorated and arranged for children to learn the love of Jesus. And also it is a special room, that can be used as a parent and child retreat...

This is a calm and quiet space set aside for parent and child to retreat to if your child is feeling a little tired during Mass. All are most welcome to have a look at this space before or after any Masses.



### The joy of children's liturgy

The extension of time for children's liturgy helps the catechists to spend more time to make the liturgy more creative and beneficial for the children. Children are also so happy, and at the same time parents can fully join the celebration of Holy Mass without any worry. For children's liturgy we follow the two adult rule, in line with the Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding policy, which can be viewed at the following link <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/>

### Fr Tim Norton SVD, named new Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane

Pope Francis has named Divine Word Missionaries Father Tim Norton as a new Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane. Born in Sydney in 1958, Father Tim entered the Divine Word Missionaries in 1984 and was ordained priest in 1991. Fr Norton will provide support to Archbishop Coleridge and Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar-General Ken Howell.

## More altar servers are welcome

We can see there are Altar Servers in every grace filled Churches. We thank the children who assist at the altar and their parents for encouraging the them to be Altar servers. Anyone (children, young and adult) who has received first holy communion can be altar servers.

Your child/children are most welcome to Altar serve at any Mass even if they are not rostered on. Please allow time by arriving 10 minutes early in order to vest and be ready for the procession to the Altar. A certificate of voluntary service will be awarded to those who Altar serve ten times throughout the year.

If your children become Altar servers, help them to feel proud of what they do, and pray for them. Help them to learn little by little to turn their actions into prayers and to grow in their faith journey.

**Louis at the sanctuary, assisting at the altar**



## Let our children learn the Lord's Prayer...

The Lord's Prayer is so important to Christians because it is what Jesus gave to his disciples as a form of prayer when they asked him to teach them how to pray. This prayer is a perfect model of how we should pray and what things we should pray for, and in what order.

The Catechism of Catholic Church teaches us that "The Lord's Prayer is truly the summary of the whole gospel," the "most perfect of prayers." It is at the centre of the Scriptures. 2774<sup>2</sup> It is called "the Lord's Prayer" because it comes to us from the Lord Jesus, the master and model of our prayer. 2775



Jesus gave us the great prayer "the Lord's Prayer or the Our Father." We know that it is the most important prayer... when we are alone, when we have anxiety, when we are troubled, when we are afraid, when we are sick and all other times, remember to pray the Our Father, which will give you grace and strength.

These days many of our young generation do not know how to make the sign of the cross or say the Our Father. During special liturgies, such as baptisms, weddings and funerals it would be so lovely to hear everybody praying the Our Father and other traditional prayers. Let us help our children to learn these most important basic prayers.

## Christmas Raffle


Be in the running to win one of our amazing Christmas raffle prizes. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Many thanks to parishioners who have donated items for the raffles. Raffle will be drawn Sunday 19 December.

## Finance committee meeting


There will be a Finance council meeting at 6.30 pm on 16 November, reviewing the finance matters of the parish, preparing the parish budget etc...

## Community and Mission Council (CMC) meeting

A Community and Mission Council meeting was held last Tuesday, 9 November, discussing various matters of the community. CMC will be organising a get together for all volunteers on 26 November.



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## **Wounded by Loss. Uplifted by Love. Celebrating and Remembering the dead**

All of us carry the memories of loved ones who've died. Somewhere in the back of our minds, there's the fear they'll be forever forgotten and for that matter so will we. Humans have the unique gift of memory and sometimes the curse of memory.

Let us not forget our dearly loved parishioners who left for eternal life, they had been part of our parish family. Let us commemorate them all on 28 November at 9am Mass; where our late parishioners will be honoured and remembered as they should be. During the month of November, it is our custom to remember all those who have died.

“It was one of those rare times when remembering the dead was more important than tending to the needs of the living.” — Dean Koontz —

### **Remembrance Book**

Throughout November you are invited to inscribe the names of those who you want to remember in the Book of Remembrance, which helps us focus our prayers as we pray for our deceased sisters and brothers.

The names of your deceased will be written in a Remembrance Book that will be on the altar for all Masses during the month of November. The action of writing their names is an important one as it ensures we are all active in how we remember others; we write their name in the book, we offer a prayer, or we ask for Mass to be offered. For more information please contact Fr Biju

**On 28 November at 9am Mass  
we will remember all the  
parishioners who have left  
for eternal life.**

## **Let us pray for our departed loved ones**

Father of all, we pray to you for all the faithful departed and for all those whom we love but see no longer.

Fr: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Fr. May they rest in peace.

R. Amen.

Fr. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.



## **Why do we venerate at the Altar?**

When we enter the Church we venerate the blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle. We make a low bow or a genuflection. The tabernacle is considered the holy of holies, Jesus Christ is present there in a true manner – soul and divinity, body and blood, although in the appearance of bread and wine.

At the same time, the priest and ministers make the proper reverence—that is, a low bow before the altar too.

The altar symbolizes the heart of the Church. It is the Lord's table and the centre of the Eucharistic action. It has always been considered a symbol of Christ. That is why we cover the altar with a cloth, out of reverence for the celebration of the memorial of the Lord's sacrifice. There also has to be a cross, adorned with the image of Christ crucified, either on the altar or near it, which calls to mind the saving Passion of the Lord.

Moreover, the altar of the New Covenant is the cross of the Lord (cf. Heb 13:10), from which the sacraments of the paschal mystery flow.

The altar signifies Christ Jesus, the living stone.

## Roster for October

Date	5pm	7am	9am	5.30pm
13/14 November	Annette Riba	Jeanine Bygott	Sienna Steggall	Julia Dixon
	Nik Kure	Chris Maher	Rosie O'Rourke-Jackson	Giselle Hossinger
20/21 November	Julie-Anne Gibson	Dianne Eden	Jane Arkininstall	Max Van Balen
	Graham Gibson	Nick Eden	Phill Ryan	Amelia Cebulski-Marino
Communion Minister 13/14 November	Edward Foley	Marie Deuble	Anne-Marie Maw	
PowerPoint Clicker		Paul Marshall	Bell Family	Tom and Jess Luxford
Collectors				

### In our prayers we remember

#### Those who have died recently:

Beryl Coates, Barry Sullivan, Kath Ethridge

#### Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Andrew McVeigh, Nikolaj Kure Snr,  
Joe Majerle, Elizabeth Majerle, Caleb Brataly

#### Those who are unwell:

Merlene Lisha, Jack Williamson

### Holy Masses: Christmas

Friday 24 Dec. 5.30pm Carols  
6.00pm Christmas Vigil Mass  
11.30pm Carols, Midnight Mass

Saturday 25 December 7.00am & 9.00am

**Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**  
Saturday 25 December Vigil Mass 5pm  
Sunday 26 December 7am, 9am, 5.30pm

### End of Year Mass

Friday 31 December 9am

### Tap and Go facilities and it's feedback from the community

The feedback for the tap and go facilities are very positive. It helps the people who may wish to offer money and help the parish, but find that they don't have ready access to cash when they arrive at Church. We have the other option of donating via direct debit. Many of our parishioners have moved out of the area which has adversely affected the financial position of the parish, so your support will help sustain the future of our Parish.

### The Catholic Leader November Issue:

The November issue is now available at the front of the Church. Please buy a copy to promote the Catholic Leader.

**Children's Mass**  
**this Sunday**  
**14 November 9am**  
**followed by morning tea**

### Children's Liturgy Sunday 21 November, 9am

Catechists: Katrina Murphy and Lucy Crowe

#### Preparing for next Sunday's readings

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
**21 November 2021**

Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33-37

### WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday** 5.00pm

**Sunday** 7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

### WEEKDAY MASSES

**Tuesday:** 9.00am

**Wednesday:** 9.00am

**Thursday:** 9.00am

**Friday:** 9.00am

Adoration 9.30am

Reconciliation 9.30am

Reconciliation before Mass every weekday and Saturday before the 5pm Mass or any time by appointment.

### 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 or 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



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**Finance Council Chair:** Jodi Sutton

**Community and Mission Council**

**Chair:** Manus Maher

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