

# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## First Sunday of Lent 6 March 2022

Hi all,

Welcome to Lent. Well done for a solid turn-out for Ash Wednesday masses and liturgies.

As COVID restrictions drop this weekend we encourage you to invite people back who you know haven't been to church for a while. If you know people who came to Mass before Covid, you might let them know Mass is on and we'd love to see them again. Friends, we are beginning to become more intentional about providing an engaging experience of Mass. Our desire is that Mass is a life-giving experience



and an encounter with God and our faith communities. Most of our leadership teams have begun to hear the bigger vision that Deacon Peter and myself have for the two parishes.

For each of our communities (St Agatha's, OLHC, St. John's and St Cecilia's), much has been achieved in the past and to this present day. For these members deceased and living there is a lot to be proud of and there is strong sense of belonging in the schools, parishes and wider community. We thank God for each of these communities and how these parishioners kept the faith and grew the church. The church, as you aware, both here and across the Archdiocese has been seeing decline. This is an opportunity for the church in this area to pave a new path and we would love all of you to be part of this journey. We want to work together to build a community that is alive and thriving. We hope to co-create a welcoming community where all can encounter and be transformed by Christ, to realise their call to discipleship, be empowered to serve and to attract new disciples.

If we want to grow we need to change the way we think about church. Is it the building, or a Mass time or a living community of believers? We need to continually outreach to all parishioners: existing, visiting and new. We need to have open hearts that are willing to move beyond our comfort zones to get to know new people and make them feel welcome. The Hendra Hamilton Northgate Pastoral Council met this week and one alarming fact was that we have so few people keeping our communities running. We need volunteers who can support all aspects of ministry, including readers, communion ministers, musicians, altar servers, those who can setup for Mass, and others who can help with hospitality after Mass just to name a few.

In the coming weeks, the Parish Council at Hendra Hamilton Northgate and the CMC at Clayfield will meet to consider how we can best work towards the mission of the Church across all our communities. In due course we will look to meet with each Mass community and share our thoughts and our vision and acquire your feedback. Keep your eye out for these meetings.

### Blessings Fr Nev

### **Archbishop Coleridge Lenten Message 2022**

Copies of the Archbishop's Lenten Message are available at the rear of the Church or on our website: http://clayfieldparish.org.au/cpt news/archbishop-coleridge-lenten-message-2022/

#### This weekend we welcome

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy 5pm Mass

Fr James O'Donoghue 7am Mass

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy 9am Mass

Fr Nev Yun and Deacon Peter Pellicaan 5.30pm Mass



### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday during Lent at 8.30am

# First Sunday of Lent 5/6 March



Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports.

Now, Anatercia can easily access clean drinking water, community members are able to grow healthy crops all year round, and there is enough nutritious food to eat. Anatercia feels better supported

by her community, has more time to study and do her homework, and hopes to fulfil her dream of becoming a nurse.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Anatercia.

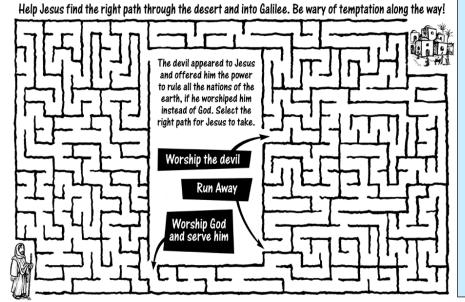


Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting

lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

## Something for the kids...



# WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU ABOUT MASS TIMES

Dear Clayfield Parishioners, one of the strategies to lead us toward a more engaged and vibrant experience of Mass as well as making life a little simpler for Fr Nev, Deacon Peter and our supply priests, is to reduce the number of Masses in order to enable more volunteer support and the promotion of ministries such as children's liturgy and hospitality after Mass. To this end, consideration is being given to Mass times into the future. In order to make informed and consultative decisions, the CMC with Fr Nev and Deacon Peter, invite you to fill out the following short survey which can be accessed here -

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SHLNKSF or through the following QR code.



There will also be hard copies available for those that don't have smart phones.

We look forward to receiving your feedback.

### **Reconciliation Program 2022**

**Book Review** 

Saturday 26 March 2pm-3pm **OR**4pm – 5pm.
Parent and child must attend. **First Rite of Reconciliation**Tuesday 29 March 5pm

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### St Vincent de Paul Conference

In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations of power, esteem and wealth. If like Jesus, you would like to stand in solidarity with those living in poverty, we invite you to join our St Vincent de Paul Conference.

The gift of your time and compassion can help make a big difference to someone's life. Contact James McKeon 0412 045 193 or email <a href="mailto:membership.bris@svdpqld.org.au">membership.bris@svdpqld.org.au</a> to talk to someone about how you can help.



### St Agatha's Catholic Primary School





St Agatha's Catholic Parish Primary School, Clayfield is a community that values: Excellence, Diligence and Creativity

Open Day - Friday 25th March, 2022

School Tours: 8.45am - 10.15am (Applications Close: 21/04/22)

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## Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. All those who minister within the Archdiocese must adhere to the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards which serves to protect all children and vulnerable adults. For comprehensive information:

http://www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/

### **Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSA

Lent is a time when we are reminded that there is nothing we can do to win our salvation. It is a pure gift from God. Like Jesus in the wilderness, we are to allow God's plan to unfold in and through us. Lent is a time for us to enter actively into the mysteries of the death and resurrection of Jesus, and there to marvel at what God has done for us.

The temptations of Jesus are the same temptations that we face when we are inclined to think that somehow we are in control. While the goals of the temptations may be admirable - feed the hungry, bring the world under the control of good, trust in God's power to protect us - we often choose to accomplish them in ways that are less than admirable. We try to perform the extraordinary so that what we do reflects favourably on us. We use brute force in order to achieve control. We put God to the test rather than live peacefully with God's plan as it unfolds within and around us. We seek to become the super-hero, the super-minister, the super-Christian on our own. In his responses to the tempter, we see Jesus constantly deferring to the power of God: It is not by bread alone . . . worship only God . . . do not put God to the test. In a real sense, these temptations are a reminder that the fundamental temptation is to deny our human limitations and refuse to let God be God for us.

# 40DAYS FOR LIFE.

How to join our 40 Days for Life prayer vigil

Ready to end abortion through prayer? Then join us in our 40

day, 24 hour prayer vigil - if you can spare an hour or more through Lent, then simply follow the steps below.

- 1. <u>Sign the Statement of Peace</u> (http://40dfl.net/statement-of-peace/) skip this step if done in a previous year. We'll send you a unique vigil calendar login, or you'll have it from a previous year.
- **2.** Work out when you can pray at 20 Abbotsford Road Bowen Hills. This is 200m from "Dr Marie Stopes" abortion clinic at 8 Campbell St Bowen Hills. You can visit the read-only Vigil Calendar here. (http://40dfl.net/vigil-calendar/)

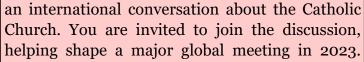
We are praying from midnight 2 March 2022 [Ash Wednesday] to the end of 10 April 2022 [Palm Sunday].

3. Update the Vigil Calendar yourself using calendar login (see Step 1.). Each vigil participant enters in their own time slots with their unique logon with their initials only. You can create recurring events if you can come at the same time each week (eg. Tuesday nights from 8pm to 9pm).

<u>Send us an e-mail</u> (40daysbrisbane@gmail.com) if you have any issues with the 3-step process above.

### **Synod on Synodality**

As part of the International Synod on Synodality, people all over the world have been participating in



With the deadline extended, you now have until **March 13** to make a submission for the international Synod, calling the People of God to walk together in our mission as Christians.

Your voice matters, and it could be as simple as getting together with family, friends or fellow parishioners and having a "Coffee Conversation". This short video offers encouragement on how easy it can be to have your say:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YrgZ-N79Kfo

You can make your submission here: <a href="https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch">https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</a>

A Vocation View: The world tempts us to grab all we can. Even food becomes more when it is given than when it is taken. Follow Jesus: be a giver.



### **Roster for March**

Date	5pm	7am	9am	5.30pm
5/6 March	Annette Riba	Dianne Eden	Amanda Bell	Jo Hayes
First Sunday of Lent	Graham Gibson	Nick Eden	Hannah Arkinstall	Matthew Crossley
Eucharistic Minister 5/6 March	Marilyn Rea	Marie Deuble	Geraldine Swindells	
PowerPoint Clicker 5/6 March	Nicole Conlon	Paul Marshall	Bell family	Ewa Marino Cebulski
Collectors 5/6 March	L Douglas/P Gimpel	Kevin Court	MacGinley family	Peter Moran
12/13 March	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Second Sunday of Lent	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed

## In our prayers we remember

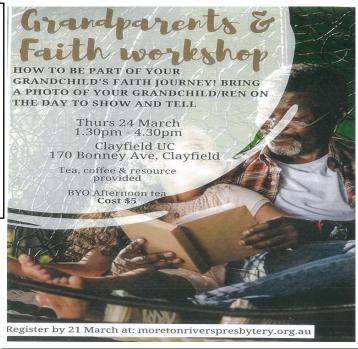
### Those who have died recently:

Herbert Butler, Peter Smethurst, Betty McKenzie

Those whose anniversaries occur about now: Silvio D'Astuto, Sr Mary Foster

We pray for our parishioners and members of our community who have lost their homes during the recent floods. We pray that God will comfort and support them in this time of need.





### Preparing for next Sunday's readings

Second Sunday of Lent 13 March 2022 Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28-36

### TO THE WORLD YOU ARE SOMEONE... TO SOMEONE YOU ARE THE WORLD.

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 5.00pm Sunday 7.00am

9.00am

5.30pm

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9am Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy

Thursday 9am Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy

> Friday 9am Fr Nev Yun

(Priests: subject to change)



### Support St. Agatha's Parish

Your financial support of St Agatha's Parish Administrator: Fr. Neville Yun 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 or

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

### Parish Administration

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Finance Council Chair: Jodi Sutton **Community and Mission Council** 

Chair: Manus Maher

Aggies Youth: Ewan McPherson Local Safeguarding Representative: Catriona McPherson (0456 441 717)

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