



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Third Sunday of Lent 20 March 2022

Hi everyone,

I have been in discussions with the coordinators of the Northside Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration group. So this weekend I was going to give an explanation of the practice and the spiritual nourishment of Perpetual Adoration. **Adoration or Eucharistic Adoration** is the simple practice of adoring Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament that is normally exposed in a monstrance. The monstrance is a sacramental vessel that often resembles the sun. Here are some examples:



When Adoration begins, we bring out the Blessed Sacrament from the tabernacle and place the Eucharist in the monstrance. Adoration can last from 20 minutes to 24 hours or longer. When the duration is significantly longer we call this Perpetual Adoration. Usually when Adoration concludes, we repose the Blessed Sacrament back in the tabernacle. The priest or Deacon normally performs Benediction that ritualises this reposition. When Benediction doesn't take place, a lay person can repose Jesus back to the tabernacle. Adoration is also known as Holy Hour. St John Paul II reminded us that, "The spiritual lives of our families are strengthened through our Holy Hour". Here are some testimonies of the experience of adoration:

"Regular Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament over the past 12 years has radically transformed my life. Jesus has cared for me, spoken to me, and healed me. In Adoration, my heart rests".

"Adoration gives God a chance to hold me still and whisper in my ear".

"Adoration is an encounter with God. It is where I meet God and He meets me. For me, the main fruit of adoring Christ in the Blessed Sacrament is faith - faith in God and faith in His Church."

At all the masses on the 26th /27th March and the 2/3rd of April we will have speakers continuing to share their personal experiences of being adorers and how it has changed their life. We are hoping to start Perpetual Adoration at OLHC Church, Hendra after Easter Sunday.

Pax Christi Fr Nev

Children's Liturgy - Prep to Year 4

Children's Liturgy will be held at the 9am Mass on the following Sundays:
Sunday 20th March, Sunday 27th March and Sunday 3rd April.

We invite children to come along to learn more about Jesus and the gospel through child-friendly, engaging activities.



Masks are no longer required but still recommended whenever you cannot socially distance.

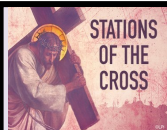
This weekend 19/20 March

5pm Fr Nev Yun

7am Fr James O'Donoghue

9am Fr Nev Yun & Deacon Peter Pellicaan

5.30pm Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy & Deacon Peter Pellicaan



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 8.30am

Third Sunday of Lent 19/20 March



Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, living in a remote community in the Northern Territory. As elders grow older and pass away, she knows she must share her knowledge with the younger generation. However, the community faces multiple challenges, including a lack of jobs, limited educational opportunities, and socio-economic which can lead to young people becoming disconnected from culture.

With your help, Caritas Australia supports Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive.

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.

St Vincent de Paul Conference

In today's Gospel Jesus is quite direct in his message: "bear fruit." This Lent we are called to cultivate and nourish our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Almsgiving is not only the call to share the fruit of your labour (financial aid), but to share the gift of your time and compassion.

If you find yourself wondering how you can give this lent, our parish St Vincent de Paul Conference invites you to considering joining us. Contact James McKeon on 0412 045 193 or email membership.bris@svdpqld.org.au to talk to someone about how you can help.

Position Vacant – Children and Families Minister and Sacramental Coordinator

Applications are open for a position at the Clayfield Catholic Parish. Clayfield Parish is requiring a person who is able lead and manage ministry to children and families in the Parish. This is a casual position for approximately 15 hours per week.

<https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/453371/children-and-families-minister-and-sacramental-coordinator-clayfield-parish>

Application close: 27 March 2022

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

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 -

LAST CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR SAY

Our survey on Mass times will close this weekend, so if you haven't yet filled out the survey, please make it a priority this weekend. You can click the following link or fill out a hard copy at a Mass on the weekend. We look forward to hearing from you!

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



Hard copies available at the rear of the Church.

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Australian Catholic
Bishops Conference

Baptismal Joy!!



This weekend we welcome with great joy one
new member of Christ's faithful people:

William Girardi, son of Owen and Anna Girardi. May
the Girardi family always know God's love and the
support of this Christian Community.

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

Wednesday 30 March 5pm

Vinnies Qld Flood Appeal 2022

Please donate and help Queenslanders
that have been affected by the floods.
Make your donation via the following link:

<https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-qld/vinnies-disaster-appeal-qld-2022>

Choir Practice for Easter - Please note change of date

Choir practice for our Easter Triduum liturgies
will be begin on **Thursday 24th March**. New mem-
bers are always welcome. If you would like to be a
part of the choir, please contact Robyn Cuming on
0414 861 988.

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/>

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on
Wednesday 23 March.

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. Raffle will be drawn at the 9am Mass
on Sunday 10 April.

Annual Chrism Mass

The Annual Chrism Mass will be celebrated
in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Thursday
7th April at 7.00pm. All are welcome.



Open Day

Friday March 25, 2022

8.45 - 10.15am

- Co-Educational Catholic School from Prep - 6
- Assembly 8.45am in Presentation Centre
- School tours led by Year 6 student leaders available on the day
- Visit classrooms from Prep to Year 6
- School choir will perform
- Light refreshments will be served
- Meet the Principal Ms Anne-Marie Maw

Growth Friendship Faith

6 Hunter Lane, Clayfield Q 4011 | www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au

Visit us on our Open Day
for a personal tour!

Applications Close 21st April, 2022

Contact: 07 3326 9222

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

One major theme emerges from today's readings:
incomprehensibility of God. We see it in the mysterious
divine name, which distinguishes the God of Israel from
all others and yet leaves us in the dark as to its meaning.
We see it as God communicates with us through inani-
mate objects and the people in our lives. Finally, we see
that God both pardons iniquities and decides to root out
unfruitful branches, and we are confused by such incon-
sistency.

In the midst of this ambiguity we have one sure
source of stability – Christ. It is Christ who reveals the
nature and meaning of the divine name; it is Christ who
intercedes for us before God. Christ, the one who set his
face toward Jerusalem, there to suffer and die, is the
great messenger through whom God is revealed. He is the
one who reveals majesty through the simplicity of a bush;
he is the one who judges with the patience of a gardener.
However, the limits of the experience and mercy of God
in our lives are defined by our own openness. Despite the
blessings that we receive in the wildernesses of our lives,
it could happen that God is not pleased with us. We must
not take God's goodness for granted.

These readings close on a note of caution. Take
care! We might be able to rest secure in the knowledge of
the love and mercy of God, but these readings tell us that
we should not dare to rest passively or complacently.

Roster for March

Date	5pm	7am	9am	5.30pm
19/20 March	Terry Manso	Sr Cecily Foster	Jane Arkinstall	Alison Hall
<i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	Tomos Walters	Kirsty Stevens	Amanda Bell	Amelia Cebulski-Marino
Eucharistic Minister 19/20 March	Manus Maher	Karen Birtles	Geraldine Swindells	Joel Perkins
PowerPoint Clicker 19/20 March	Brian Rada	Georgia Allan	Bell family	Ewa Marino Cebulski
Collectors 19/20 March	L Douglas/P Gimpel	Kevin Court	MacGinley family	Peter Moran
26/27 March	Judy Bartels	<i>Volunteer</i>	Eileen Duncan	Giselle Hossinger
<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	Paul Bartels	Karen Birtles	Joseph O'Brien	Max Van Balen

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Denis Fernandes, Mark Smith, Bill Wright

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

William Guiney

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.

Planned Giving Envelope Users

Planned Giving Envelopes are ready for collection at the entrance of the Church. **These envelopes begin on Sunday 3 April.** Please collect your packet today. If you are giving to the Parish by other means (direct debit, credit card or Parish Giving App) and no longer wish to receive these envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

As of Sunday 3 April please discard of any 2021 planned giving envelopes as a new number may have been allocated to you.

EASTER TRIDUUM CEREMONIES



Holy Thursday 14 April

6.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 15 April

10.00am Stations of the Cross
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday 16 April

6.00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 17 April

7.00am and 9.00am Mass

Please Note: NO 5.30pm Mass

NO BOOKINGS NECESSARY

A Vocation View:

Each Lent should bring us closer to our God. There is no failure, except that of no longer trying. You can still follow Jesus more closely.



Preparing for next Sunday's readings

Fourth Sunday of Lent 27 March 2022

Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21;
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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 James O'Donoghue

(Priests: subject to change)



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 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:

BANK DETAILS

Account name: St Agatha's Parish Clayfield

BSB number: 064 786

Account number: 100006157



Parish Administration

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Community and Mission Council

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Aggies Youth: Ewan McPherson

Local Safeguarding Representative:

Catrina McPherson (0456 441 717)

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

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School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw

APRE: Mr Jake Knowles