



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Fifth Sunday of Lent 3 April 2022

Hi everyone,

This week the leaders and the Parish Councilors of both Mother of Mercy and St Agatha's communities caught up to have further discussions on the future of the two parishes. We want to share in writing an announcement regarding where we are at.

Dear Parishioners,

In recent weeks Fr Nev has indicated that change is afoot. His appointment as both Parish Priest of Hendra/Hamilton/Northgate as well as Administrator of Clayfield, along with the appointment of Deacon Peter Pellicaan to Clayfield, signal a new structure going forward.

At the moment, the Parish Pastoral Councils of both Parishes are considering the best way forward for the mission of the Church in our region. That is to say, how can we not simply maintain what is, but how can we grow and engage many more people with the joy of the gospel? How can we develop a thriving Church for the generations to come?

Once the Parish Councils (in collaboration with Fr Nev, Dcn Peter and key Archdiocesan advisors) have developed a proposal, we will then look to meet with each of the Church communities (Hendra, Hamilton, Northgate and Clayfield), to share with you what might be possible and to seek your input and feedback.

We expect to be able to coordinate meetings with each community on a weekend not long after Easter. Please be assured that decisions will not be made without due consultation and an opportunity for feedback.

Let's keep praying in these coming months that the God who desires to encounter every person will inspire us with the initiatives and strategies that enable us to reach many more people with his love, grace and mercy.

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There will be speakers at the Masses which were missed last weekend to share their experience of **Perpetual Adoration** with you. We invite you all to take this as an opportunity to begin or continue to deepen your prayer and faith life!!

Remember **Second Rite of Reconciliation** on **Wednesday 6th April 7pm at St Agatha's Church**. Just a heads-up Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be taking place whilst people are having individual confession. I encourage you all to go to the First Rite of Reconciliation sometime during Lent. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available **on Saturdays at 4:15-4:45pm at St Agatha's and 4pm at St Cecilia's, Hamilton** or by appointment with any of the priests.

May the Lord free you from your burdens and anxieties again.

That's all for another week... ***Pax Christi Fr Nev***



Children's Liturgy - Prep to Year 4

Children's Liturgy will be held at the 9am Mass this **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 2/3 April

5pm Fr Orm Rush

7am Fr Nev Yun

9am Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy & Deacon Peter Pellican

5.30pm Fr James O'Donoghue & Deacon Peter Pellican



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 8.30am

Fifth Sunday of Lent 2/3 April



Shaniella 23, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates. After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food.



With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities For All Future Generations.

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 the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental.

When we help to those living in poverty, God indeed pours his love, peace, and mercy into our hearts and through us, into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.

If you would like to be an instrument of God's love and mercy, easing the suffering of others, why not join our St Vincent de Paul group?

Call James McKeon on 0412 045 193 or email membership.bris@svdpqld.org.au to talk to someone about how you can help.

DATE CLAIMER

Clayfield Parish

Sacrament of First Communion 2022

*For children who have been baptised and Confirmed
Grade 4 or above*

Parent Information Session

Wednesday 27 April, 2022

10.00am **OR** 6.00pm in the Church

Parent to receive workbook, enrolment form
and pay \$60.00 contribution fee.

Rite of Enrolment weekend

Saturday 30th April/Sunday 1st May
(at any of the Masses)

Children to hand in enrolment form.

For more information please email
clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

Easter Roster

We are looking for volunteers for our Easter liturgies. If you can help out in any way with reading, Communion Minister, PowerPoint clicking, Oil Bearers, Oil Announcer please email clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au with your preferred liturgy date. An email will be sent out next week as a reminder. Thank you.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites you to the annual
CHRISM MASS
Thursday 7 April 2022
@ 7:00pm
The Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane
A celebration for the entire Archdiocese
All Welcome
car parking available from 6:00pm

**If you are interested in attending the Chrism Mass,
please contact the Parish Office.**

The Cursillo Movement

Interested, Curious, Searching, to enrich and strengthen your faith in these times? The Cursillo Movement is holding a 3 day live-in encounter - with self, with Christ, with others - from 23-25 April at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston.

Cursillo, - translated as a 'short course' - is a world -wide lay led movement of the Church to help each person live out the Good News on their Christian journey.

For more information you can call Rosemary on 0431 464 211 or Peter 0407 588 014.



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

Second Rite of Reconciliation

The Second Rite of Reconciliation will be held on Wednesday 6 April, at 7pm. This is a spiritual time for prayer of thanksgiving and blessings.

St Agatha's Feast Day Celebrations

Saturday 7 May, 2022

Mass at 4.30pm

Followed by a Disco and BBQ

5.30pm - 8.00pm

Bookings will open soon.



St Agatha's Catholic Parish Primary School, Clayfield

is a community that values:

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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/>

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 Raffle

Tickets are on sale for our Easter Raffle. Tickets are \$2.00 each of 3 for \$5.00. Tickets are on sale for one more weekend. Raffle will be drawn at the 9am Mass next Sunday 10 April.



Choir Practice for Easter

Choir practice for our Easter Triduum liturgies has begun. New members are always welcome. If you would like to be a part of the choir, please contact Robyn Cuming on 0414 861 988.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Lent ends on a note of wonder. In the face of all the mighty works that God has already performed for the people, God promises something even more magnificent.

Throughout this season we have reflected on the marvels that God accomplished in the lives of the people, cutting a covenant with Abraham, leading the people out of bondage, revealing God's own personal name, bring them into a land that is bursting with life. Now God says: You haven't seen anything yet.

The first reading proclaims that something new is about to appear. In the gospel, this new thing unfolds before our eyes. Here we see Jesus neither rejecting the law nor changing it. Instead, he shows that the law, as good as it might be, serves something higher. He shows that the mercy and compassion of God exceed the authority of the law. Once again we see that the readings of Lent are less concerned with mortification and penance than they are with divine graciousness and our response of joy and thanksgiving.

Paul is not satisfied with the blessings of the past. In fact, he considers them rubbish when compared with knowing and being united with Christ. Life with Christ transforms us from people who are caught in sin to women and men who have been forgiven. Life in Christ is the new thing that God has fashioned for us. God is the one who creates something new; we are the ones who are re-created.

Roster for April

Date	5pm	7am	9am	5.30pm
2/3 April	Annette Riba	Catie Kelly	Joseph Tan	Julia Dixon
<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	Nik Kure	<i>Volunteer</i>	Luke Sutton	Amelia Marino-Cebulski
Eucharistic Minister 2/3 April	Manus Maher	Marie Deuble	<i>Volunteer</i>	Matthew Crossley
PowerPoint Clicker 2/3 April	John Rea	Paul Marshall	Bell family	Ewa Marino-Cebulski
Collectors 2/3 April	L Douglas/P Gimpel	Kevin Court	MacGinley family	Peter Moran
9/10 April	Julie-Anne Gibson	<i>Volunteer</i>	Wilma O'Connell	<i>Volunteer</i>
<i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i>	Graham Gibson	Jeanine Bygott	Phill Ryan	Max Van Balen

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Michael O'Rourke, Gerard Janssen, Katherine Weaver, Patricia "Tim" Lynn, Nonie Stewart, Ann Doyle

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Judy Power, Reg Shun Wah (Snr)

Olive Branches

Olive branches or golden cane palms (small to large) are required for Palm Sunday. If you are able to supply any, please deliver to the back of the Church, outside the back door on Friday 8 April or contact the Parish office on 3262 2859. Thank you.

Perpetual Adoration - Speakers at Mass

A reminder that we will have a speaker at the 5pm and 7am Mass this weekend sharing their experience of **PERPETUAL ADORATION** with you.

We invite you all to take this as an opportunity to begin or continue to deepen your prayer and faith life!! More details will follow over the coming weeks.

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:

Lent is six weeks of being serious about forgiveness and knowing we are loved. Who will step forward to tell of God's great love for us?



Preparing for next Sunday's readings

Palm Sunday 10 April 2022

Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11;

Luke 22:14-23;56

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



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