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Fourth Sunday of Easter 8 May 2022

Hi everyone,

Hope you're continuing to share the Good News of God's love through his Son with the world in this season of Easter!! Talking about God's love, I like to wish our mothers, grandmothers and perhaps great grandmas a wonderful **Mother's Day** this Sunday. Thank you for everything that they have done and given to each of us. We also pray for those mums who are no longer with us, grant them eternal peace and ease the sorrow in our hearts as we remember their presence and memories. We also thank and pray to Our Mother Mary who is the exemplar of motherly love. What a life she had: giving birth to Jesus, raising and loving him, enduring the heartache of his passion, being a witness to his resurrection and encouraging us all to listen to her son, and 'do whatever he tells you'. Mary, pray for all mother's that they might receive God's love in their life. Pray that God might continually fill them up with faith from the well of God's love!!



From this week onwards, the Weekdays Masses for both parishes are:

Thursday 9am, St Agatha's Church, Clayfield

Friday 9am, St John's Church, Northgate.

1st Friday there is Adoration after Mass

2nd Friday is a Healing Mass

We apologise that the dates for the Pathway for the Future meetings in mid-May have had to be **postponed**. Due to circumstances we have needed to postpone these dates to early June. We look forward to sharing with you an exciting vision for our future.

Some weeks ago we advertised about starting **Perpetual Adoration** and we've decided to **start on Sat 14th May at OLHC, Hendra**. We are going with daylight hours at the moment from **6am Sat – 6pm Sat** (concluding with the 6pm Mass). The side door of the church (on Bowman St) will be open for anyone to come in and pray. Those who took Adoration forms at Mass and haven't returned them please bring them back for collection. If you pop them on the collection plate or hand them to a priest that would be appreciated. This is an opportunity for every person and family to make a commitment to give Jesus one hour of your time to be enlivened by Christ!! Please keep praying for more **dedicated adorers** to fill the remaining hours!! Any questions call **Julie Anne Standfield | 0418 193 235 or Pat Shine | 0411 597 781**.

MAY MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Worldwide Marriage Encounter: A weekend experience for married couples, priests and religious, away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset and revitalise your Sacrament. This is a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh your relationship. It gives you the opportunity to grow in your relationship with your spouse or your community. The next COVID-SAFE live-in weekend will be held from **Friday evening 13 May to Sunday afternoon 15 May** (including Mass) at **Santa Teresa, Ormiston**. For bookings/details contact Maria and David Murphy: 0481 307 821 qldbookings@wwme.org.au Watch Archbishop Mark Coleridge's support video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=40_Wp6qGB44
Information website: www.wwme.org.au.

Blessings Fr Nev and Deacon Peter

*Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful mothers in our Parish.
Many blessings today and always!*



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

This weekend 7/8 May

4.30pm (this Saturday only)

Fr Nev Yun & Deacon Peter Pellicaan

9am Fr John Grace and Deacon Peter Pellicaan

5.30pm Fr John Gillen and Deacon Peter Pellicaan



And God Created Mothers...

When the Good Lord was creating mothers, He was into His sixth day of overtime when the angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

The Lord said, "Have you the specifications on this order?" She has to be completely washable, but not plastic... have 180 moveable parts...all replaceable... run on black coffee and leftovers... have a lap that disappears when she stands up... a kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair... and six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands.... no way."

"It's not the hands that are causing me problems," said the Lord, "it's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel. The Lord nodded.

"One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What's going on in there?', but already knows. Another on the back of her head, that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the one in front that can look at a child when he gets in trouble, and say 'I understand and I love you' without so much as uttering a word."

"Lord" said the angel touching His sleeve gently, "Go to bed. Tomorrow is another day".

"I can't," said the Lord. "I'm so close now. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick...can feed a family of six on one pound of mince, and can get a nine-year-old to have a bath".

The angel circled the model of the mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. "You can imagine what this mother can endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Lord.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran her fingers across the cheek.

"There's a leak," said the angel.

"It's a tear," said the Lord. "It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride."

"You're a genius," said the angel.

"No" said the Lord, "I didn't put it there".

Clayfield Parish Sacrament of First Communion 2022 Timetable

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

Book Review

Child + one parent to attend
(completed workbooks to be handed in)
Saturday 21 May 4.00pm in APAC
followed by 5.00pm Mass

OR

Sunday 22 May 10.00am following the 9am Mass

Liturgy of God's Mercy and Practice

Child + one parent to attend
Thursday 26 May 3.30pm
for the Saturday 28 May 5.00pm candidates

Thursday 26 May 4.30pm
for the Sunday 29 May 9am candidates

First Communion Dates

Saturday 28 May 5.00pm Mass
Sunday 29 May 9.00am Mass

Liturgy of God's Mercy and Practice

Child + one parent to attend
Thursday 2 June 3.30pm
for the Saturday 4 June 5.00pm candidates

Thursday 2 June 4.30pm
for the Sunday 5 June 9.00am candidates

First Communion Dates

Saturday 4 June 5.00pm Mass
Sunday 5 June 9.00am Mass

Retreat Day and Prayers for Healing

Sunday 22nd May 2022

Retreat Day and Prayers for Healing with Fr Ken Barker Missionaries of God's Love, commencing with Mass at 11am, followed by a book launch by Bishop Brian Finnigan of Fr Ken's most recent book "The Our Father". Day finishing 4pm.

Experience the dynamic words and spiritual wisdom of Order founder and author.

St Thomas' Catholic Church Camp Hill, car park entrance Stephen St. BYO lunch, drinks provided. All welcome, enquiries 0479 047 972.

Two-minute Homilies and Reflections

Weekly Homilies or reflections of around two minutes in length by clergy, religious and lay people from throughout the archdiocese.

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minute-homilies-and-reflections/>

Boom gate times

Saturday: boom gate goes up at 4.30pm, down at 5.15pm
Sunday: boom gate goes up at 6.30am, down at 9.00am and then up at 4.30pm, down at 5.45pm.

Please note that when you are ready to leave the boom gate will **automatically** come up as you approach it.

DATE CLAIMER

PATHWAY TO THE FUTURE

An assembly of all parishioners of the parish to hear what is proposed for a future parish pathway. These meetings will outline key timelines, essential aspects of the plan, and provide a feedback loop. **A new date will be confirmed for mid-June at each Mass Centre.** We apologise for the unforeseen delay.

Changes to weekday Masses at St Agatha's and Mother of Mercy Parishes (as of Monday 9 May)

St Agatha's - Thursday 9am

St John's Northgate - Friday 9am
688 Nudgee Road, Northgate

7am Mass

As of last weekend 30 April / 1 May the 7am Mass has been discontinued. For all those that usually attended the 7am Mass we deeply desire to keep you connected in the life of the Parish. We would love you to join us at one of the other three Masses: 5pm Saturday; 9am / 5.30pm Sunday.

Cathedral Seminars

If you are interested in learning about some of the more intricate aspects of our Catholic faith, you might be interested in attending The Cathedral Seminars. This event features Shane Dwyer and a variety of guests throughout the year and focuses on some of the more complicated and academic aspects of our Catholic faith. Each event is held on a Thursday night and includes some refreshments and a comfortable atmosphere. Join us on June 30th with special guest Deacon Peter Pellicaan for a special Cathedral Seminar titled: The People of Spirit and Eucharist.

Details: Time: 7-8:30pm

Location: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral Precinct (196 Charlotte St)

Cost: \$10pp (in person or online)

Register now at:

<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/CathedralSeminar-June>

Pope Francis' prayer intention for May.

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest. May they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

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

Walking in the Spirit

The People of God are invited to make a prayerful journey towards the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council through the Walking in the Spirit prayer campaign.



Walking in the Spirit began on Easter Sunday, April 17, and runs until the Second Assembly, which opens on Sunday, July 3. Resources have been created for use by individuals, families, schools, parishes and other Catholic communities. Find out more at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

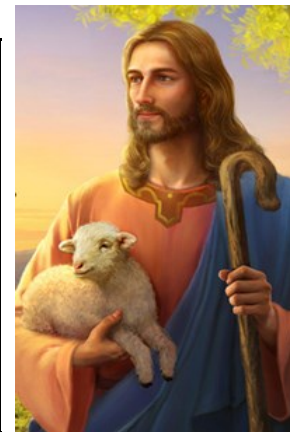
This Sunday is traditionally referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. However, the readings for today focus more on the flock than on the shepherd. The overarching theme appears to be unity in diversity. Placing this theme within the context of the Easter season, we might refocus it slightly and suggest that today we celebrate the presence of the Risen Lord in communities of difference.

Unity in diversity is first found in the divine union of the Trinity. All other models of unity flow from it. Both the first and the second readings depict communities made up of people from every nation, race, people and tongue, Jews and Gentile alike. This is precisely the makeup of most communities today. Parishes and religious groups that were born with a particular cultural identity have changed in complexion and composition. Despite the obvious differences, all are children of the one God, all are joined in their common confession of faith.

Not everyone is happy with diversity. Some within the early community resented the success of Paul and Barnabas and they tried to turn the people against them. This sounds strangely familiar to us. Religious groups born out of struggle and hard work, that were lovingly nurtured and that grew strong, often resist what they perceived to be the invasion of foreigners. If these people could only take as their model the company of the blessed revealed in John's vision, they would see that those who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb come from every nation and race and people and tongue. © Dianne Bergant

Roster for May

Date	5pm	9am	5.30pm
7/8 May	Dianne Eden	Joseph Tan	Julia Dixon
<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	Nick Eden	Luke Sutton	Max Van Balen
Eucharistic Minister 7/8 May		George Arkinstall	
PowerPoint Clicker 7/8 May		Bell Family	Ewa Marino-Cebulski
Collectors 7/8 May	P Gimpel/L Douglas	MacGinley Family	Peter Moran
14/15 May	Tomos Walters	Eileen Duncan	Liz O'Connor
<i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	Nik Kure	Joseph O'Brien	Giselle Hossinger



In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Jane Colwell, Neil Haine, Patrick Heenan

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Ross McKenzie

PERPETUAL ADORATION If you can spare an hour (see roster below) please contact Julie Anne on 0418 193 235.

Mother of Mercy Adoration

Saturday 7.30am to Sunday 8.30 am

7.30 am	Filled		8.30 pm	
8.30 am	Filled	Filled	9.30 pm	
9.30 am	Filled	Filled	10.30 pm	
10.30 am			11.30 pm	
11.30 am	Filled		12.30 am	
12.30 pm			1.30 am	
1.30 pm			2.30 am	
2.30 pm	Filled		3.30 am	
3.30 pm	Filled		4.30 am	Filled
4.30 pm	Filled	Filled	5.30 am	Filled
6.00 pm	Mass	Mass	6.30 am	Filled Filled
7.30 pm	Filled	Filled	7.30 am	Filled

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Mother of Mercy Parish may be blessed with Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every Saturday from 7.30 am to Sunday 8.45 am. The parish requires 50 dedicated Adorers, people committed to at least one hour each Saturday. Currently, we are well short of dedicated Adorers.

Please consider if Jesus is calling you to a special hour of worship with Him in the Sweet Sacrament of Peace, where your restless yearnings will cease and your sorrows all depart. If you can spare an hour please refer to the roster and contact Julie Anne 0418 193 235.

A Vocation View:

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, pray for yourself. Pray to know if God is calling YOU to be a Priest, Sister or Brother. Pray!



Preparing for

Fifth Sunday of Easter Readings

15 May 2022

Acts 14:21-27; Revelation 21:1-5; John 13:31-35

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 9.00am

5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

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St Agatha's
Thursday 9am

St John's Northgate
Friday 9am
688 Nudgee Road
Northgate

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

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BSB number: 064 786

Account number: 100006157



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Aggies Youth: Ewan McPherson

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