



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 5 February 2023

Hi all,

Happy St Agatha's Feast Day this Sunday!!



We received this via Facebook from Italy for the Feast of St Agatha this Sunday! 🌹

[Santuario Sant'Agata al Carcere](#)

"As the anticipation and joy grow as we approach the days of Agatha, as it is now our tradition, we want to join spiritually with all the communities in the world who worship Saint Agatha as their patron saint. Kicking off this year in Australia with our friends from St Agatha's Catholic Parish Clayfield.

A prayer from the Martyr's Prison for all of you." 🌹



Catania, Sicily- The Sanctuary of the prison where St Agatha was martyred.



For the St Agatha people nominations for the CMC can be accessed here: QR Code or online survey
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CvSOzMBloD4wRHX8LZr_s9WR_Jxtv3Nn4ScWtljSRDI/edit



The **St Agatha's Finance Council** met this week and some of our councillors are stepping down. In particular we are looking for anyone with an accounting or finance background or works in these areas. Not having the above background does not preclude you from joining. We meet every second month and it's an hour and half meeting. If you know someone else that is interested or is suitable (perhaps from the school) please send their details my way or to any of the current team and we're happy to have a chat with them.

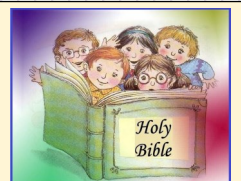


Blessings Fr Nev

Children's Liturgy - Prep to Year 4

Children's Liturgy this **Sunday 5th February at the 8am Mass.**

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.



St Agatha's Feast Day
Sunday 5th February
 Join us for morning tea after the
 8am Mass.
 Everyone is welcome

Confession

Fr Nev is available for confession half an hour before the 5pm Vigil Mass at Hendra and 5.30pm Mass on Sunday at St Agatha's. Fr Nev is also happy to meet by appointment at other times during the week as might be more suitable. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to make a time for Confession/Reconciliation.

Nominations for Community and Mission Council

This week we begin a process to refresh our Community and Mission Council (CMC), which is the leadership body of this parish. We are looking to bring some new faces to this council and looking for 5-7 new members for the council.

In forming our council, we will bring together a team of people to help me in leading the parish. The role of the council is to:

- * plan for the future of our parish
- * identify new ways in which we can become more **mission-oriented**
- * contribute to building a thriving community life across the parish
- * support our various ministry volunteers

We've now opened nominations for the council and would like to invite all parishioners to consider who they might put forward as someone who you see as a leader in our community. There is no limit on how many people an individual can nominate and parishioners are welcome to nominate themselves should they wish. When you nominate someone, you will be asked their name and the strengths you see they would bring to the council.

Nominations will close on **Sunday 19th February**. Following this, all nominated parishioners will be contacted and invited to attend an information session on **Tuesday 28th February** about the role of being on the council before they indicate whether they are willing to accept their nomination. Following the information session, depending on the number of parishioners who accept nomination further steps will be initiated to decide the council.

To put forward a nomination click this link and fill in the form https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CvSOzMBloD4wRHX8LZr_s9WR_Jxtv3Nn4ScWtljSRDI/edit



Hard copy nomination forms will also be available at the Church this weekend.

St Agatha - Our Parish Heavenly Patroness

St. Agatha is a virgin-martyr of the early Church. From her very early years, the notably beautiful Agatha dedicated her life to God. She became a consecrated virgin, a state in life where young women choose to remain celibate and give themselves wholly to Jesus and the Church in a life of prayer and service.



She endured horrific suffering during her life and made many sacrifices for her faith. For all her suffering she is known as the patron saint of Sicily, bell founders, breast cancer patients, Palermo, rape victims and wet nurses. She is also considered to be a powerful intercessor when people suffer from fires.

Family Mass Sunday 12th February 8am

Would your child like to have a role/reading? Roles are open to all children! Please email Sandy: cantaruttis@bne.catholic.net.au or scan the QR Code below.
 Morning tea to follow. Please bring a plate to share. Everyone is welcome!! Come along!!

Ash Wednesday Masses - 22nd February

Our Lady Help of Christians Church
 8.45am - OLHC School and Parish Mass
St Agatha's Church
 6.00pm

Stations of the Cross - St Agatha's Church
 Every Thursday at 8.30am during Lent.

Mass Times

Saturday 5.00pm Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra
Sunday 8.00am St Agatha's Clayfield
Sunday 9.30am Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra
Sunday 5.30pm St Agatha's Clayfield

Reconciliation/Confession: by appointment

No change to the weekday Mass at St Agatha's
 Thursday 9am

No change to the weekday Mass at
St John's, Northgate
 Friday 9am

Fr James O'Donoghue has been asked to say the following Masses for the time being at:

St Cecilia's, Hamilton: Saturday 4.30pm
St John's, Northgate: Sunday 7.30am

First Holy Communion - St Agatha's Parish

First Weekend of Term 2- Sunday 23rd April 8:00am or 5:30pm or
Second Weekend of Term 2- Sunday 30th April 8:00am or 5:30pm

PREPARATION SESSIONS:

Session 1: Wednesday 1st March, Welcome to the Lord's Table/Enrolling your child in Eucharist

Child+ Parents to attend. 1 hr.

3:15pm (3:30 start) or 6:00pm

Please view information video before this day. <https://fb.watch/ifaXVG9Xp4/>

\$75 enrolment fee upon entry (arrive 15-20 mins early to allow for processing time.

Eftpos available but ...exact cash is quicker!)

Will receive workbook and enrolment form.

Registration is required by clicking links below. You will be added to the mailing list for future communication.

3:15pm <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/315HolyCommunionEnrolment2023>

6:00pm <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/600HolyCommunionEnrolment2023>

Session 2: Sunday 5th March

Rite of Enrolment Mass+ 20 minute debrief from Sandy after Mass

Child + Parent/s

Bring workbook and **completed enrolment form (important)**

Choose 8:00am or 5:30pm

No registration required

Session 3: Sunday 12th March

Compulsory Mass + 20 minute debrief from Sandy after Mass

Bring workbook

Choose 8:00am (Family Mass) or 5:30pm

No registration required

*Morning Mass on Sunday 19th March 8.00am

(optional- in case of absenteeism at previous Masses)

20 minute debrief from Sandy after Mass

Bring workbook

No registration required

Session 4: 'Being a Living Tabernacle (2nd Rite Reconciliation)'

Choose: Wed 15th March 3:15pm or 5:30pm or

Thurs 16th March 3:15pm or 6:00pm

Wednesday 22nd March may open in case of any absenteeism

Child + Parent/s (Godparent/sponsor attendance optional)

Bring Workbook. 1 hr.

Registration required (20 students cap per session)

You are warmly encouraged to come along to Mass every Sunday (Mass times are 8:00am and 5:30pm).

You may also like to attend Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians at Hendra (Saturday 5:00pm and Sunday 9:30am Mass).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

(Registration is required)

First Weekend of Term 2- Sunday 23rd April 8:00am or 5:30pm or

Second Weekend of Term 2- Sunday 30th April 8:00am or 5:30pm

It is traditional to wear white, however this is not a requirement.



Check your emails regularly for any emails or videos Sandy may send you to help you complete your workbook activities at home with your child.

For more info contact Sandy Cantarutti,
Children and Families Pastoral
Associate, Clayfield
cantaruttis@bne.catholic.net.au
or call parish office 3262 2859

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore life faith and meaning.

Alpha is for those who are ready to ask questions and explore life, faith and meaning.

It is a short, free interactive course which is usually run via 11 weekly 2hr sessions based on the excellent film series episodes and one retreat day/weekend after the 6th/7th session.

Survey results are in, and our next Alpha will be run on Thursday nights from late April.

Please pray about who you might invite.



MEN'S BBQ/ GET TOGETHER

When: Saturday 25/2/23 6pm

Where: OLHC Parish Centre,
9 Bowman St Hendra.

Cost: \$10 to cover food

RSVP: Wednesday 22/2/23

Bill Nott 0418 183 400

Joel Perkins 0438 241 524



Guest Speaker: Deacon Peter Pellican

Topic:

Experiencing God: Becoming alive to God's presence
and discerning God's voice.

Roster for January/February 2023

	8am	5.30pm
5 February	Terry Manso	Giselle Hossinger
<i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Nik Kure	Matthew Crossley
Eucharistic Minister 5 February		
PowerPoint Clicker 5 February	Bell Family	Tom & Jess Luxford
12 February	<i>Family Mass</i>	Karen Birtles
<i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		Max Van Balen

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Margaret Brown, Susan Whelan

Those whose anniversaries occur about now:

nil

Those who are unwell:

Merlene Lisha, Pam Hayes



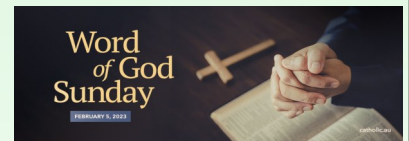
We acknowledge the Turrbal and Jagera people, the traditional custodians of the Land on which St Agatha's is built. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Saturday Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Saturday, including holiday times, from 6am-5pm at OLHC Hendra for personal prayer. Entry to the Church is via the Bowman St side door. Please sign in and out. For enquiries, please contact Julie Anne on 0418 193 235 or Pat on 0411 597 781.

Word of God Sunday

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word



of God on the first Sunday in February – February 5 in 2023 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodssunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

Mother of Mercy Parish

Prayer Engine of the Parish resumes Tuesday 7 February.

This prayer group prays for the intentions of the parish and the personal intentions of parishioners.

Prayer intentions can be placed in the special baskets at each of the churches and Parish Office (Hendra).

The Prayer Engine will meet at OLHC Church, Hendra every Tuesday, from 1:00-2:30pm. All are welcome to join in prayer!

Parish Office

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 7th February.



A Vocation View:

Jesus speaks on Vocations: "You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world. Your light must shine before people so that they may see your goodness in your acts, giving praise to your heavenly Father."



Next week's reading 12 February 2023

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37



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Phone: 3326 9222

School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw

APRE: Mr Jake Knowles

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: Clayfield Parish

BSB number: 064 786

Account number: 100006157



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 5.30pm

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