



ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-3.30pm, Friday: 8.30am-12.00pm

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 30 July 2023 (Year A)

Hi all,



A fortnight ago we had the first **Engaged Encounter** in a long time in Qld for two lovely couples at OLHC. Thanks to Angela and Andy Devereux (MOM parishioners) and Mel and Maria Noronha for being team facilitators for this important ministry. Keep Nathaniel, Catherine, Jess and John, (middle) in your prayers as they prepare for their wedding days and future married life. Anyone who is interested in supporting and mentoring younger couples particularly within the Parish please make yourself known to me or the Parish Office. If there are couples

who are interested in volunteering their time with facilitating the **FOCCUS Pre-marriage Course (Facilitate Open, Couple Communication, Understanding and Study)**. This course is run by Centacare in the Archdiocese of Brisbane for engaged couples. If you become a trained facilitator, you can lead the couples in conjunction with myself. I find facilitating these discussions is personally rewarding and it's a wonderful way to pass on your wisdom to couples. Anyone who is interested in being a team member for Engaged Encounter can contact me or the Parish. Their next weekend is the **4-5th Nov at the Parish Centre, OLHC**. It's another vital area in our Parish Community. Strong and well-formed marriages lead to resilient and evangelical families.



In this week's Gospel, Jesus uses vivid images to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He compares it to a hidden treasure that a man finds in a field and a valuable pearl that a merchant seeks and sells everything to obtain. Jesus also tells the parable of the fishing net that catches fish of all kinds, representing the gathering of people from all nations into the Kingdom. These parables emphasize the incomparable worth of the Kingdom of Heaven and the need to prioritize it above all worldly possessions. They call for a wholehearted commitment to seek and embrace the Kingdom's values in one's life.

Overall, the readings for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time offer messages of seeking God's wisdom and guidance, trusting in His providence, and recognizing the supreme value of the Kingdom of Heaven. They encourage believers to centre their lives on God's will and find joy in following His ways.

Blessings Fr Nev

Children's Liturgy for Prep to Year 4 this Sunday 30 July at the 8am Mass.



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



Precious Blood

If you are unwell or showing symptoms of flu or Covid, **PLEASE REFRAIN** from receiving the chalice.

The Extraordinary Minister of the chalice will be situated on the left hand side.

Also, **PLEASE REFRAIN** from dipping the host into the chalice.

Enrolments open for Year 5 and up!

The Sacrament of PENANCE

Also known as Reconciliation in the 1st Rite or Confession



1. Enrolment: Parent & Caregiver Info Session

1 hr, Thursday 7th September (1:30pm or 4:30)
or Monday 11th September (6:00pm)

Registration required at

<https://clayfieldparish.org.au/penance/>

Print and submit your enrolment form and \$25 fee.

2. Rite of Enrolment Masses

For child and parent/s.

Please attend at least one of these Masses.

Sundays 8th or 15th of October, 8:00am or 5:30pm.

No registration required.

3. Family Session and Liturgy

1.5 hrs, Thursday 12th October 3:30pm and 6:30pm

Parent/s + individual child to attend.

Registration required.

4. Individual Reconciliations with Fr Nev Yun

Thursday 19th October and Friday 20th October

Multiple 30-minute time slots from 3:30pm.

Registration email will be sent to enrolled candidates

Questions? Email Sandy Cantarutti,
Children and Families Pastoral Associate
cantaruttis@catholic.net.au

SCAM ALERT!

There are currently a large number of scam messages being sent by text to parishioners which use the names of Brisbane Clergy. Please be aware of these scams and do not respond to the texts. Do not purchase any gift cards. **Simply delete the messages.** Father Nev's name is being used in the scams, along with many of our Brisbane priests' names. Our Clergy would never seek to contact you in this way or require of you that you provide them with cash or gift cards. Please do not fall victim to this scam.

Receive a blessing...

Those who are not receiving Holy Communion are very welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. Please place your arms across your chest as you approach Father or the Extraordinary Minister.



Reclaim Plus A chill Saturday morning, in a classy café, good breakfast and coffee with live music and some inspiring formation. Sounds like a great morning, doesn't it? Did we mention there's a safe space for the kids to play too? Reclaim Plus is a new initiative for the millennials (25-40 years old according to Google) of the Catholic Church which aims to provide a space for young parents, professionals, and young adults to have community and a place to receive. We'll have trained child minders ready to supervise and run a couple of activities for them.

Time: 8-10am (arrive to order your coffee & check your children in, formalities start at 8:30am)

Date: 19th August 2023

Location: Jugar, 71 Jane St West End

Cost: \$20pp, \$45 per family (The ticket price covers food (for adults and children) and coffee. It's a pretty sweet deal!)

RSVP: Tuesday 15th August

To register:

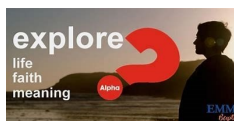
<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/Reclaimplus>



ALPHA The new Australian version of the Alpha film and discussion series is starting **NEXT** Sunday 6th August from 11am at the Mother of Mercy Parish Centre, 9 Bowman St, Hendra.

RSVP: hendra@bne.catholic.net.au
(or 3268 3040)

For more information please go to: www.alpha.org.au/try



Who will YOU invite?

- friends who are asking questions?
- fellow parishioners?
- yourself?

Alpha is for anyone, anywhere, to freely explore their unique questions about life, faith and God.

In September, Evangelisation Brisbane will be hosting a three-day **women's retreat**, *Abide, Remain, Stay*

Date: 6pm Friday 8 September to

1pm Sunday 10 September

Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre
(267 Wellington St, Ormiston)

Price: Live in attendees - \$425

(includes all meals and accommodation)

Live out attendees - \$230

(includes morning tea, lunch and dinners)

RSVP: 3 September 2023

<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/GuidedRetreatSept23>



Date Claimer

Multicultural Mass 2023

When: Sunday 24th September 2023, 2.30pm

Where: Cathedral of St Stephen

DATE CLAIMER

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION TUESDAY 15 AUGUST

**Please note change of venue
for the 5.30pm Mass.**

8.45am School and Parish Mass, OLHC, Hendra
5.30pm Mass at St Agatha's, Clayfield



St Agatha's School currently has spaces available in
Year 5 & 6 in 2024.

For details phone 3326 9222 or visit

<https://www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au/enrolments>

DATE CLAIMER: Learning about the Gospel of Saint Mark October 2023



Last year, we explored the Gospel of Matthew in some detail in preparation for this liturgical year. Next year, we will use the Gospel of Mark as the predominant source of our Sunday Gospel readings. With this in mind, we have prepared a short (four week) course on Mark's Gospel which will be offered during October 2023. The dates and session times are:

Wednesdays: October 4, 11, 18 and 25 (9.30am) at the Hendra parish centre.

The sessions will be repeated as below:

Wednesdays: October 4, 11, 18 and 25 (7.00pm) at the Hendra parish centre.

If there is any group who would like some other arrangement, please email or contact the Hendra parish office and they will endeavour to accommodate you. Come and increase your appreciation and knowledge of Mark's picture of Jesus' life and ministry. You might be surprised!
(Adult Formation Team)



The **Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation** has been launched in response to Plenary Council feedback in order to engage the baptised in a deeper experience of God as understood and experienced in the Catholic tradition. The **second** module, "**Understanding, Praying and Living the Scriptures**" will commence on **August 21st, 2023 from 7.00-9.00pm on Monday evenings** (21 Aug, 28 Aug, 4 Sept, 11 Sept, NB: **3 week break inc. King's Birthday**, 9 Oct, 16 Oct, 23 Oct, 30 Oct, 6 Nov and 13 Nov) at **Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo** and other hub/s. More information is available @ [Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation - Evangelisation Brisbane](https://www.archdiocesanformation.com.au) & www.catholicformation.au

If you are interested in joining a group booking which would attract a discount price, please contact the Parish Office.

Brisbane City Pops Orchestra Concert "Golden Memories"

Friday 18 August at 7:00pm
St Paschal's Catholic Church,
30 Warraba Ave, Wavell Heights

Tickets \$35.00 pp (includes a light supper)
Tickets purchased through the parish website:

www.olaparishchermshire.org.au
or contact the office on 0493 636 632.

The Sacrament of CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation
will be held on Tuesday 22 August
(5pm and 7pm)



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

The St Agatha's Saint Vincent de Paul Conference would like to sincerely thank everyone, for their generous support of the Vinnies Winter Appeal. The donations will enable the Conference to continue assisting people, whom call on the Conference for food, financial help, clothing, furniture and also assisting women and children escaping domestic violence situations. An amazing total of \$7,743.00 was raised.



Cathedral of St Stephen Guides and Welcomers

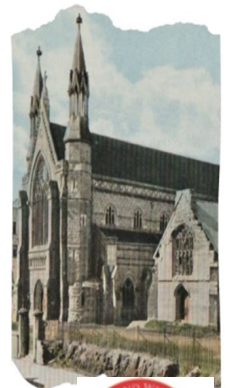
Celebrating 25 years on 27 August 2023

The Cathedral Guides and Welcomers will celebrate their 25th Anniversary on 27 August this year and all current and former Guides and Welcomers are invited to join the festivities.

We will mark the occasion on Sunday, 27 August with Mass in the Cathedral at 10am, followed by a function in The Hanly Room in the Francis Rush Centre.

If you would like to celebrate with us on 27 August, and rekindle old friendships and memories with former Guide and Welcomers, please let us know via email, by Monday 21 August to:

cathedralguidesandwelcomers@gmail.com



MENS BBQ

DETAILS

WHEN: 6PM, SATURDAY
16TH SEPTEMBER
BBQ from 6pm
Guest Speaker from 7pm

COST: \$10 Cash to cover
food and drink
[BYO alcohol]

WHERE: OLHC Parish Centre
(9 Bowman St Hendra)

RSVP: Wed 13th September
SMS to Joel or Bill

FUEL UP! (STEAK & SALAD)
FANTASTIC COMPANY!
FABULOUS SPEAKER!



DADS - BRING YOUR SONS!



DARE TO DIVE DEEPER AND DISCOVER

ROBERT FALZON IS A POWERFUL SPEAKER WITH A CREATIVE AND COGENT MESSAGE. HE COFOUNDED **MENALIVE** IN 2003. SINCE THEN, HIS MINISTRY HAS REACHED 35,000 MEN IN 26 DIOCESE. HE IS A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN, AUTHOR, HUSBAND AND FATHER. HIS PASSION IS FINDING POWERFUL WAYS TO BRING THE MESSAGE OF THE GOOD NEWS TO MEN EVERYWHERE.

JOEL PERKINS: 0438 241 524 | BILL NOTT: 0418 183 400

Roster for July 2023

	8am	5.30pm
30 July	Annette Riba	Joel Perkins
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Nik Kure	Karen Birtles
Eucharistic Minister 30 July		
PowerPoint Clicker 30 July	Bell Family	Tom & Jess Luxford
6 August	Terry Manso	Liz O'Connor
The Transfiguration of the Lord	Amanda Bell	Max Van Balen

In our prayers we remember



Those who have died recently:

Norma Bygott, Geoffrey Barns, Michael Onyeneke, Jane-Frances Nwanyanwu, Sr Brenda Brennan FMM, Laura Davies, Finn Davies

Those we remember at this time:

John & Claire Collins, Mick & Gloria Statham, Frank & Jean York, Jane Bertelsen, Tadeusz Lewandowski, Tony Dyson, Fr Gregory Jordan

Those who are unwell: Simon Grisales, Merlene Lisha

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Friday of the month after the 9:00am Mass at St John's, Northgate. All welcome.

Anointing and Healing Mass: Second Friday of the month at 9:00am at St John's, Northgate. All welcome

Mother of Mercy Parish - Prayer Engine of the Parish

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 (St Agatha's and Hendra) 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 Administration

Parish Administrator: Fr. Neville Yun

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Finance Council Chair:

Community and Mission Council

Chair: Matthew Crossley

Aggies Youth: Ewan McPherson

Local Safeguarding Representative: Catriona McPherson (0456 441 717)

Email: lsr.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

6 Hunter Lane Clayfield Qld 4011.

Phone: 3326 9222

School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw

APRE: Mr Jake Knowles

Readings for 6 August 2023

The Transfiguration of the Lord (Year A)
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9



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



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.

Mother of Mercy Parish 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.

Raffaele Pierno with Leanne Warne Lunch Concert

Sandgate Post Office,
1 Bowser Parade,
Sandgate
Wednesday 23 August
\$74.00 two course
lunch and show.



Pre-booking essential:
0421 113 974 Sandgate Post
Office or scan the QR Code.



National Conference

28-30 September 2023,
Brisbane



REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN:

<https://mysteryandmission.com.au>

For all enquiries contact

liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au

Items for inclusion in this newsletter,
please email to: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au or call
3262 2859. Cut off deadline - 5.00pm Tuesday.

Mass Times

St Agatha's, Clayfield
Sunday 8.00am

5.30pm

**Our Lady Help of
Christians, Hendra**

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 9.30am

St Cecilia's, Hamilton:

Saturday 4.30pm

St John's, Northgate:

Sunday 7.30am

**Reconciliation/
Confession:**

by appointment

Weekday Masses
St Agatha's, Clayfield

Thursday 9am

St John's, Northgate

Friday 9am