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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 10 September 2023

Hi all,



We also have a wedding of parishioners **Ashwind and Joveena** at OLHC this Sat. Congrats in advance.

I went on retreat this week at The Abbey with the Benedictine Sisters at Jamberoo. There were 19 of us priests who are 10 years or less ordained plus Fr Frank and Fr Dan. Here's a group photo at the Jamberoo pub.

We had a lovely wedding last weekend.



That's probably the largest wedding entourage I've ever had at a wedding. Congrats to Torie and Matt!!



Our theme was loneliness and contemplation. We were blessed to have abbess Sr Hilda Scott give us some input on contemplation. Contemplation is not some esoteric idea or thing that takes ages to master. Guess what, everyone is doing contemplation! God is continually contemplating us and we from time to time contemplate him. God is looking and loving us into existence. Without God's love nothing would exist. God's sole job is to love us. He's not there only to fix wars, feed people that are starving or solving the worlds or our problems. Our job is to love as much as we can in return. So whether you talk and listen to God in nature, ironing clothes, in the car commuting, with the kids in tow or saying a last minute prayer, these are all forms of contemplative prayer. So next time you're praying, make an extra cuppa for God and see what God wants to say to you and know he wants to hear our needs. Sr Hilda's mum used to do this as her way of contemplating. Remember friends, just as there are a million and one ways to be loved by God there are the same and more ways to pray!!

Blessings Fr Nev

Children's Liturgy for Prep to Year 4 this Sunday 10 September at the 8am Mass. We invite children to come along to learn more about Jesus and the gospel through child-friendly, engaging activities.





Safeguarding Sunday 10 September This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change

that will help the Church be a place that builds and supports safe communities for all people. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: https://www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 12th September. The staff will be attending an Archdiocesan Finance training session.



Also known as <u>Reconciliation in the 1st Rite</u> or <u>Confession</u>

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

Retreat Day - Saturday 7th October (sponsored by the Knights of the Southern Cross) Nolan Hall, Leslie St Nundah, adjacent to Corpus Christi Church. Unfortunately this Retreat Day has been cancelled.

New date possibly in early November

ALPHA Come and try an Alpha Session

Our Holy Spirit Retreat afternoon is on this Sunday 10th September 11.30am at ACU Banyo, 1100 Nudgee Road, Banvo. All who have joined in the majority of the 1st 6 Episodes either with this or other Alphas would be most welcome to join us on this afternoon.

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

The remaining sessions of the new Australian version of the Alpha film and discussion series is running on Sundays 17th September and 1st October from 11am at the Mother of Mercy Parish Centre, 9 Bowman Street Hendra.

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

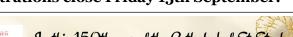
Items for inclusion in this newsletter, please email to: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au or call 3262 2859. Cut off deadline - 5.00pm Tuesday.

Safeguarding Safeguarding is everyone's responthe sibility. All those who minister within 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/

National Conference

28-30 September 2023, Brisbane MYSTERY THE ART OF &MISSION CELEBRATION https://mysteryandmission.com.au For all enquiries contact liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au The Conference venue is the Hilton Brisbane, 190 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane. **Registrations close Friday 15th September.**





To register to attend the Mass and for catering purposes please RSVP by Friday 22nd September 2023 cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au 3324 3030



	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	
	Joel Perkins 0438 241 524	
	Bill Nott 0418 183 400	
GUEST SPEAKER: Robert Falzon		
	"Dare to Dive Deeper and Discover"	

Women of the Way Retreat 13-15th October Ladies would you like to take time out to Reflect and Recharge? Treat yourself to some quality time with God. **BOOK NOW** for The Women of the Way Retreat. Theme: Open the eyes of My Heart, Lord Where: Watson Park Convention Centre, 337 Old Gympie Rd, Dakabin. Weekend includes Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, Praise and Worship, inspirational teachings, prayer ministry and time for fellowship. For brochure or info phone Rosa Montegrande 0400 755 516 or email wowqld@gmail.com

St Agatha's Senior Students visit



On Monday St Agatha's Clayfield Senior Students visited Ronald McDonald House at South Brisbane. As part of

the morning, students presented a cheque (\$10,000) to Ronald McDonald House to cover the costs of a room for 12 months. This is the second year in a row St Agatha's have sponsored a room for a family in need. The fundraising efforts have come as part of the annual St Agatha's Long Lunch.



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.gld.edu.au/enrolments



Ignite Conference 23 "Wonder" 21-24 September

St Laurence's College, South Brisbane Ignite Conference is a gathering of Catholics for

four days of real-world formation, renewal of faith, great people and powerful worship. Join over 2000 high schoolers, young adults, leaders, teachers, priests and religious taking part in a life changing encounter with God and His Church.

To register: <u>https://app.tickets.org.au/iy/IC23BNE</u> For full details: <u>www.igniteconference.com.au</u>



Ageing Wisely

The Archdiocese of Brisbane's free Ageing Wisely seminar provides advice and information on a range of pertinent matters, as a service to older parishioners.

The seminar will feature professional guest speakers and a range of information sessions on estate planning and legal advice, retirement planning and financial advice, charitable gifts in Wills and perpetual endowments, funeral planning and in-home community support services.

Date: Tuesday 26 September Time: 9.30am-1.30pm Venue: Sandgate Brighton Parish Hall, 108 Brighton Road, Sandgate

More information on the Agenda for the seminar can be found on flyers available at the back of the Church.

Sunday 10 September

During this Season of Creation, let us dwell on those heartbeats: our own and those of our mothers and grandmothers, the heartbeat of creation and the heartbeat of God. Today they do not beat in harmony; they are not

harmonized in justice and peace. Too many of our brothers and sisters are prevented from drinking from that mighty river. Let us heed our call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, and to put an end to the senseless war against creation.

DATE CLAIMERS St Agatha Patron Saint of Breast Cancer October 2023 Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Join our parish in raising awareness, supporting and praying for those who have experienced breast cancer, and their families.

Sunday 8th October St Agatha's Longest Morning Pink/Tea

Sunday 15th October Pregnancy Loss and Miscarriage Memorial

Sunday 22nd October St Agatha's Parish Community <u>THINK PINK</u> Celebration

All details to follow in the coming weeks...

DONATIONS NEEDED

For the month of October our parish is raising awareness around breast cancer. It will be a month of **'Thinking Pink.'** As a community there will be many opportunities to come together as a parish outside Mass. We would love to include as many parishioners as possible.

Please email the Parish Office

<u>clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au</u> if you are able to assist in anyway.

Donations would be appreciated for:

Morning teas Raffle prizes Sausage sizzle Best dressed prize

Thank you.

PARISH GIVING APP – QR CODE (Collection Plate): The Parish Giving App is part of the

Archdiocese of Brisbane and has been set up

specifically for parishioners to electronically



connect via their mobile phone to donate to their own parish. Please scan the QR code attached to the church collection baskets to your mobile telephone and follow the prompts to complete your giving donation. You can also access the Parish Giving App by scanning the QR code above. Your generous financial support of the parish is greatly appreciated.



Roster for September 2023			
	8am	5.30pm	
10 September	Annette Riba	Karen Birtles	
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Nik Kure	Liz O'Connor	
Eucharistic Minister 10 September			
PowerPoint Clicker 10 September	Bell family	Tom & Jess Luxford	
17 September	Amanda Bell	Alison Hall	
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Joseph O'Brien	Max Van Balen	

In our prayers we remember

Those who have died recently:

Dale Ryan, Ailsa Metcalfe, Chaille Lansell (nee McKenzie) Those we remember at this time:

George and Mona Leutenegger, William Mahon, Frank Maguire, Jim Cuming, Kevin McVeigh, Kathleen McVeigh, Robert Maguire, Jim Duncan Those who are unwell: Simon Grisales

Multicultural Mass 2023

Share your cultural faith expression and celebrate the diversity of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Brisbane at the annual Multicultural Mass.



The Mass will be held on Sunday 24th September in recognition of World Day of Migrant and Refugees, highlighting this year's theme "Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay". Mass will be presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. Cultural performances and

refreshments in the cathedral grounds will follow. When: 2:30pm, Sunday 24th September 2023 Where: Cathedral of St Stephen RSVP: https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM23 All are invited and all are welcome!



Parish Administration

Parish Administrator: Fr. Neville Yun Email: <u>clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au</u> Parish Deacon: Rev. Dr. Peter Pellicaan Email: <u>pellicaanp@bne.catholic.net.au</u> Parish Secretary: Mrs Rosemary Greer Email: clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au Children and Families Pastoral Associate: Sandra Cantarutti Email: cantaruttis@bne.catholic.net.au Phone: 3262 2859 Finance Council Chair: **Community and Mission Council** Chair: Matthew Crossley Aggies Youth: Ewan McPherson Local Safeguarding Representative: Catriona McPherson (0456 441 717) lsr.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School 6 Hunter Lane Clavfield Old 4011. Phone: 3326 9222

School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw APRE: Mr Jake Knowles

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.

Congratulations and blessings Chinonso Njoku will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation during the 8am Mass next Sunday 17th September. Please join Chinonso and his family on this wonderful occasion.

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

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Sunday



8.00am

5.30pm

Readings for 17 September 2023

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) Sirach 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35

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



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

Mass Times

St Agatha's, Claufield

Our Lady Help of

Weekday Masses St Agatha's, Claufield Thursday 9am St John's, Northgate Friday 9am

Account name: Clayfield Parish BSB number: 064 786 Account number: 100006157