

# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## Third Sunday of Lent 3 March 2024 (YEAR B)

Sin, repentance, mercy, and reconciliation are all significant themes during the season of Lent. We are called to renew our striving for a deep and genuine holiness of life. God calls each one of us to holiness because he loves us and wills our good.

During Lent we take up the disciplines which the church recommends to us. These are given to aid us in our quest for holiness. The three main disciplines of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving (charitable



giving). These disciplines allow us to bring our minds and wills more fully into union with the will of the Father, and to align our lives more closely with the life of Christ. Discipline is required, but it is not enough. We cannot attain holiness through strength of will alone.

Holiness is always the work of grace. God alone can work the deep healing that is needed in our hearts, minds, and souls; though not without our cooperation. The sacraments, especially the sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation (Confession) are truly necessary conduits of God's grace. They are powerful remedies for all that ails our souls.

Dear brothers and sisters, in the lead up to Easter, please avail yourselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation. God offers his mercy to us in this rich sacrament and pours out his grace upon those who approach him with humility. I know that many have fallen away from the practice of regular Confession and may feel awkward or embarrassed to return. Don't be, all that you will find there is love and mercy.

The following opportunities will be available for Reconciliation at MOM & St Agatha's parish in the lead up to Easter.

Sat 9th March 4:15-4:45 pm OLHC Church Sat 16th March 3:45-4:15pm St Cecilia's Sunday 24th March 7:15-7:45 am St Agatha's Church. Wed 27 March 6pm-7pm OLHC Church.

Blessings Fr. Michael.

# **Blessings Fr Michael**

Blessings to Fr Michael as he is installed as Parish Priest of Hendra Parish this Sunday 3 March, at the 9.30am Mass at OLHC.

#### Children's Liturgy for Prep to Year 4

this Sunday 3 March at the 8am Mass.
We invite children to come along to learn more about Jesus and the gospel through child-friendly, engaging activities.





# Stations of the Cross St Agatha's Church

Every Thursday 8.30am, during Lent. **OLHC Church** 

Every Tuesday 1.00pm, during Lent.





#### St Agatha's Church Easter 2024 Holy Week Liturgies

Holy Thursday 28 March
No 9am Mass
Thursday of the Lord's Supper 6.30pm

Good Friday 29 March Stations of the Cross 10.00am Passion of Our Lord 3.00pm

Holy Saturday 30 March Easter Vigil 6.30pm

<u>Easter Sunday 31 March</u> Easter Sunday Mass 8.00am

#### **Easter Rosters**

We are looking for volunteers for our Easter liturgies. If you can help out in any way with reading, Eucharistic Minister, PowerPoint clicking, Oil Bearers, Oil Announcer, please see the roster sheets at the back of the Church.

#### Choral Concert Monday 11 March 2024 - St Agatha's Church

St Rita's College Choirs performing their annual Choral Concert. Free Admission – donation to Caritas Australia's 'Project Compassion' upon entry. Concert commences at 6:30pm (usually concludes around 8:00pm) All are welcome!

Items for inclusion in this newsletter, please email to: <a href="mailto:clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au">clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au</a> or call 3262 2859. Cut off deadline – 5.00pm Tuesday.

# \*\*Last Chance to enrol for Confirmation 2024\*\*

(Open to all children Year 3 and up who have already received Baptism!)

## **Enrolments Close March 4th!**





#### 1.Parent Forum and Enrolment Session

Multiple sessions to be held at Hendra and Clayfield Monday March 4th and Tuesday March 5th Print and submit your enrolment form. Parents Only. Enrolment form and registration at

clayfieldparish.org.au/confirmation or

motherofmercyparish.org.au/confirmation.html or Scan QR codes above Enrolments close March 4th 2024

#### 2. Rite of Enrolment Masses

For child and parent/s. Please attend one. Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 8:00am or 5:30pm (St Agatha's, Clayfield)

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 5:00pm or Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 9:30am (Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra)
No registration required.

#### 3. Book Review and Rehearsal

Parent/s +individual child to attend. Sessions to be held:

Monday 13th May - Hendra

Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th May - Clayfield Registration required.

#### **Confirmations**

Friday 24th May (Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra) Tuesday 28th May (St Agatha's, Clayfield)

Registration required

Questions? Email Alexandria Atkins, Parish Families Administrative Assistant: sacramental.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au

MARIAN VALLEY BUS TRIP: Sandgate Brighton Catholic Parish are planning a bus trip to Marian Valley on Saturday, March 16. The cost will be \$35.00 per seat (includes morning tea). The bus will leave Sacred Heart Church at 7am. The program for the day will be Holy Mass, morning tea, Stations of the Cross, Lunch in grounds (BYO), departing at 1pm. Bookings can be made via the Parish Office 3869 1377 or email sandgatebrighton@bne.catholic.net.au.

Once minimum bookings are reached, payments will be requested. All welcome!



#### Third Sunday of Lent 2 & 3 March







Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

#### Please donate to Project Compassion.

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 caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



**ENVELOPES** ARE **AVAILABLE ON THE PEWS** 



**DISCOVER WHAT** ST AGATHA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL **CAN OFFER YOUR FAMILY** 

TO REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE AT OUR **UPCOMING OPEN DAY.** PLEASE CONTACT 07 3326 9222

#### **Piety Stall** Cash or card accepted.

Various items for sale: Rosary beads, St Christopher medals and keyrings Biography cards of various saints. If there is something that you would like but is not in stock, please let Liz know and we will endeavour to get it in for you. If you would like to assist Liz in any way, please contact Rosemary at the Parish Office.

#### **Queensland Symphony Orchestra**

As part of the celebrations for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Cathedral of St Stephen, on the weekend 10/11 May 2024, the Queensland Symphony Orconducted by Umberto Clerici will perchestra, by form *Mass* C minor Wolfgang **Amadeus Mozart** in the Cathedral. There are three different times and tickets are available from the QSO website <a href="https://qso.com.au/events/2024/">https://qso.com.au/events/2024/</a> special-events/special-event-mozart-mass

A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus cleaned out the temple of money changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He was authoritative. He was doing what He had to do, even though it involved risk, danger, insult, and wonder. Such is a vocation.



#### Choir practice for **Easter**

Thursday 7 March 6-7pm. New members are always welcome.

If you would like to be a part of the choir, please contact Robyn Cuming on 0414 861 988.

#### DAILY REFLECTION BOOKS FOR LENT 2024 "A Resurrected Life"



These booklets are produced by Evangelisation Brisbane.

The booklets are available at the back of the Church.

A \$5.00 donation would be LIFE welcomed and a donation box is provided nearby.

# International Women's Day Friday March 202





#### Chrism Mass 2024

Evangelisation Brisbane





Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites vou to the annual Chrism Mass to be held at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Thursday 21 March 2024 commencing at 7:00pm. This Mass is a celebration for the whole Archdiocese, and everyone is

welcome. The Cathedral car park will be available from 6:00pm.

A light supper will be served following the Mass.

#### **Roster for March 2024**

	8am	5.30pm
3 March	Terry Manso	Max Van Balen
Third Sunday of Lent	Scott Fitzpatrick	Karen Birtles
Eucharistic Minister 3 March		
PowerPoint Clicker 3 March	Bell Family	Tom and Jess Luxford
10 March	Family Mass	Giselle Hossinger
Fourth Sunday of Lent		Catie Kelly

## <u>In our prayers we remember</u>

#### Those who have died recently:

Michael O'Rourke, Brian Naughton

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Paul Taylor

**Those who are unwell:** Charlie Wheeler, King Charles III, Simon Grisales

#### **Lenten Discussion Sessions**

All are warmly invited to join Lenten Discussion Sessions. Sessions will be held:

**Sundays** during Lent from 11-11.45am in the Parish Centre at Hendra.

**Thursdays** during Lent from 4.00-5.30pm at AVEO Clayfield, 469 Sandgate Road, Albion.

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 Street side door. Please sign in and out. For enquiries, please contact Julie Anne on 0418 193 235 or Pat on 0411 597 781.

#### 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!

#### **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.

St Ursula's College, Yeppoon | Alumni Afternoon Tea: past students, parents, staff members and Presentation Sisters are invited to attend an Afternoon Tea celebrating St Ursula's College, Yeppoon.

Sunday 10 March 2024, 2.30pm-5.00pm, Ballygriffin Room, St Rita's College, Clayfield.

Complimentary glass of bubbly or wine on arrival; delicious catered afternoon tea; raffles and entertainment. Tickets \$50 per person and available online at <a href="https://events.humanitix.com/st-ursula-s-college-alumni-afternoon-tea">https://events.humanitix.com/st-ursula-s-college-alumni-afternoon-tea</a>. For more information email Rebecca Birchley (nee Gleeson) at <a href="mailto:r.birchley@hotmail.com">r.birchley@hotmail.com</a>

#### Parish Administration

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#### St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

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School Principal: Ms Anne-Marie Maw

APRE: Mr Jake Knowles



#### Readings for 10 March 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent (YEAR B)

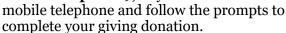
Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

#### Support St. Agatha's Parish

We very much appreciate your continued financial assistance and donations to the Parish are most warmly welcomed.

Ways to financially support your parish:

- \* Direct debit (please contact Parish Office)
- \* Place your offerings in the collection plates during the Mass
- \* Planned Giving Envelopes or
- \* The Parish Giving App: Scan the QR code (or the code attached to the church collection plates), to your



\* If you wish, you can also contribute via online internet banking, details are as follows:

#### **BANK DETAILS**

Account name: Clayfield Parish

BSB number: 064 786

Account number: 100006157

Reference: PGDonation and your surname

#### 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