



# ST. AGATHA'S PARISH

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## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 14 July 2024 (YEAR B)

I often find within myself an attitude which presumes that love or favour needs to be earned. This attitude is more or less active, depending on my state of mind. In this, I am not unique; indeed, it is a message received from the culture around me. We live in a transactional culture, wherein we judge the worth of another by their usefulness. If I relate to others in this way, then I find myself favouring someone and making space for them only to the extent that they can facilitate my own self-realisation. This same attitude (in reverse) can make it difficult for me to accept acts of gracious kindness from another, as I suspect some kind of catch.



Like many, I too can find myself struggling with a similar perception when it comes to God's love. I intuit that God's love needs to be earned. When I find myself in a time of struggle or difficulty, I can feel that I have somehow lost God's favour.

St Paul, writing to the Church in Ephesus, bids each of us recognise the sheer and utter grace which is God's love. Grace cannot be earned, and it cannot be deserved. It was love, pure and simple, which motivated the Father to call us to himself, sending His Son that we might find life. We struggle to accept that God really loves us, and so we have to come back to this mystery and contemplate it, again and again.

In my prayer, I contemplate the cross of Christ. Not so much the suffering of Christ, though that is present, but the love of Christ. Before ever I was born, God loved me. Before ever I could respond, He poured out His grace upon me. In contemplating this truth, I can increasingly learn to love the other, for their own sake, simply as an act of grace.

Blessings  
Fr. Michael.

### CHANGES TO MASS TIMES IN THE PARISH

Commencing the weekend of 31st August/1st September,  
the weekend Mass schedule for our two parishes will be as follows:

**Saturday:** 4:30 pm - Vigil Mass, St Cecilia's, Hamilton

**Sunday:**

8:00 am - St Agatha's, Clayfield

9:30 am - Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra

5:30 pm - St Agatha's, Clayfield

**Weekday:**

8:45 am Wednesday - Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra

9:00 am Thursday Mass - St Agatha's, Clayfield

9:00 am Friday Mass - St John's, Northgate



**NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS SUNDAY 14 July**

Please join us for the 8am Family Mass.

## What's on at St Agatha's

**14 July 8.00am Family Mass**  
Morning tea following Mass  
Hosted by CMC Team  
Sarah Fraser  
Brooke Gordon



**5.30pm Mass**

**21 July 8.00am Mass**  
Morning tea following Mass  
Hosted by Gloria Lee  
Mel Lillierap  
Anna Chetcuti

**5.30pm Mass**  
**PIZZA NIGHT** following Mass  
Hosted by CMC



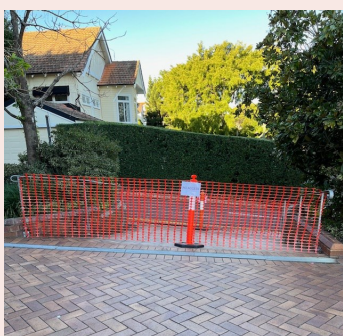
**28 July 8.00am Mass**  
Morning tea following Mass  
Hosted by Linett and Grevin  
Biju and Dani  
Mary and Josy

**5.30pm Mass**

### No Access to Church via driveway

It has been recommended by the Archdiocesan Workplace Safety department that the driveway leading to the Church be barricaded off.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



## The Sacrament of EUCHARIST

(Also known as 'First Holy Communion')

- Session 3: Liturgy of God's Mercy and Rehearsal - Tuesday 13th/Friday 16th August
- First Holy Communion Masses –  
**Sunday 18th August 9:30am at Hendra,**  
**5:30pm at Clayfield**

and **Sunday 25th August**  
**8am and 5:30pm at Clayfield**

For any enquiries, please email Alex Atkins,  
Parish Families Administration Assistant on  
[sacramental.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacramental.clayfield@bne.catholic.net.au)



### News from our Parish School

Term 3 has started brilliantly at St Agatha's Clayfield with students focused and ready for learning. We welcome three new teachers this term: Ashlee Doyle, Year 4, Tina Storey, Year 1 and Giorgia Gagliardo, Year 2. We wish Isabelle Duffy (Yr 1) and Mikaela Rotolone (Yr 4) every blessing on their maternity leave and wish Rebecca Lachmund (Yr 2) a safe relocation to Hong Kong.

This term we look forward to celebrating Grandparent's Day as part of Catholic Education Week and Book Week in Week 9.

*Anne-Marie Maw (Principal)*

### A Concert-Reflection with Peter Kearney

Signs of Hope – People of Faith

Hosted by Banyo Nundah Catholic Parish

Saturday 20 July, 11.30am

Holy Trinity Church - 352 St. Vincent's Rd, Banyo

Gold coin donation | Children free |

Refreshments at interval

RSVP to [nundah@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:nundah@bne.catholic.net.au) for catering purposes .



Peter Kearney is an Australian Catholic songwriter/singer and guitarist. His hymns and songs, published in fifteen albums, include 'Fill My House', 'The Beatitudes' and 'Where is Your Song my Lord?'. His concert weaves songs, stories and reflections about people whose faithful lives have brought compassion and hope into our world. Mainly for adults though older students could also enjoy.

*Peter's CDs and music will be available.*

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF  
**MARY MACKILLOP**

**PILGRIMAGE**  
**15th – 26th**  
**October 2024**

JOIN US on the official Pilgrimage created & led by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart for the last 28 years. An all inclusive 12 day organised pilgrimage to sacred sites in VIC, SA & NSW.

FIND OUT PHONE: (02) 8912 4818  
OR EMAIL: [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au)  
OR [www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au)

Australian National Pilgrimage  
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**SCAM ALERT!**

#### PLEASE NOTE - SCAM ALERT

Scams via email are still prolific and we would caution all parishioners to not respond to any email from anyone claiming to be a representative of our parish asking for money, gift cards or verification of financial details. Our Clergy would never seek to contact you in this way or require that you provide them with cash or store cards to get them out of a bind.

**Please delete any such requests, as well as requests to return emails to unknown clergy.**

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

### 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.



Monthly *It's the Mass- made for children!*  
The second Sunday of the month,  
during school terms

**Family Mass and Morning Tea**  
14th July, 2024

**Sea Sunday, 14 July 2024**  
Sea Sunday is an opportunity for us to remember and say prayers for all the brave men and women who work at sea to make sure we have all that we need.

**Parents/Guardians please note:**  
For safety reasons, children **are not permitted** up in the Choir Loft unless accompanied by an adult.

**MULTICULTURAL MASS** "God walks with His People" Pope Francis

**Celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge**

**Votive Candles** The votive candle stand is **located in the Mary MacKillop Chapel**. The small candles are located under the stand and are intended to be lit as an offering of prayer. **Parents PLEASE assist and supervise your children** as these candles are only to be used for this purpose. A small donation towards the lighting of the candles, would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**Sunday 25 August 2024**  
2pm, Queen of Vietnamese Martyrs Catholic Church  
54 Flint Street, Inala.  
For more information contact Lilian Ortiz at [ortizl@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:ortizl@bne.catholic.net.au)

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**ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE**

**Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA**  
God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.  
Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

**ALL GOD'S CHILDREN: The Why and How of Ecumenical and Interfaith Dialogue**  
Saturday 13 July | 9.30am - 12pm  
Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre,  
196 Charlotte Street, Brisbane  
*Hosted by Archdiocese of Brisbane*  
*Livestream options available*

VISIT [WWW.TINYURL.COM/AGC-JULY24](http://WWW.TINYURL.COM/AGC-JULY24) OR SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

**DATE CLAIMER**  
IGNITE CONFERENCE 2024:  
**RISE UP!**  
19—22 September 2024, St Laurence's College, South Brisbane

**MODULE FOUR: A PEOPLE ON MISSION**

**Module 4 – A People on Mission**, which doesn't require any prerequisites, will commence on **Monday 22 July 2024**. Sessions will be held on 9 consecutive Monday nights, 22 July - 16 September from **7:00pm – 9:00pm** at **Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary** and will be livestreamed to regional hubs\*. **RSVP Thursday 19 July**  
To download the module 4 prospectus or to learn more about the Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation, visit: <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/accf/>  
**Organiser: Evangelisation Brisbane**  
[eb@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:eb@bne.catholic.net.au) | 3324 3440

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY**  
In accordance with the Archdiocese of Brisbane, children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded.

**National Vocation Awareness Week 4th - 11th August**

Scan the QR code to find out more, or call 1300 133 544  
[www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com)  
Follow us on socials @vocationbrisbane

## Readers Roster for July 2024

	8am	5.30pm
14 July	Elina Fernandes	Giselle Hossinger
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Karen Birtles
21 July	Jane Arkininstall	Declan Harte
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Amanda Bell	Joel Perkins

### In our prayers we remember



#### Those who have died recently:

Lynn Ure, Joseph Dizon, Mary Oliver, Diana Cattanaach, Denese McLune, Fr Arun de Souza, Angela Giammichele

#### Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Antonio Bruzzese, Claire & John Collins, Gloria & Mick Statham, Jean and Frank York, Dale Orola, Meriel Healy

**Those who are unwell:** Stuart Carlton-Smith, Ken Gordon

#### Reflection for Young People – by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Jesus tells the Twelve to go out in pairs, so friendship must be important.

Jesus doesn't want us to go it alone.

Who are your closest friends?

What do you like about your friends? What do they like about you?

Jesus tells the Twelve to stay where they are welcome,

and to leave when they are not.

Where do you feel welcome? Where is a place you feel safe and secure?

Why is that?

When have you not felt welcome? When have you had to move on because things were not working out the way you had hoped.

Jesus tells the Twelve not to take any money or extra clothes.

They have no plan and no map. They just have to take the risk, trust in their faith, and see what happens.

How is that like your life? How is that unlike your life?

Jesus does tell them to take a walking stick – to support them as they journey.

What gives you support? Do you have a hobby or an activity that gives your life structure and helps you to find meaning?

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Saturday at OLHC from 6.00am to 4.30pm. The entrance to the Church is via the side door in Bowman St.

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 1:00-2:15pm.

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.



**ALPHA** resumes next Sunday 21 July at the MOM Parish Centre.

#### Parish Administration

**Parish Administrator:** Fr Michael Grace

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**Parish Secretary:** Mrs Rosemary Greer

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#### Children and Families

**Pastoral Associate:** Sandra Cantarutti

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#### Parish Families Administration

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#### Community and Mission Council

Chair: Matthew Crossley

#### Local Safeguarding Representative:

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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 21 July 2024 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (YEAR B)

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34

#### 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

mobile telephone and follow the prompts to complete your giving donation.

\* 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

**Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra**

Wednesday 8.45am

**St Agatha's, Clayfield**

Thursday 9am

**St John's, Northgate**

Friday 9am