



Newsletter

CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18 AUGUST 2024

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Our Lady Help of Christians Primary School

23 Bowman St, Hendra **Phone:** 3268 3070

School Principal: Mr Adam Bennie

APRE: Kym Waters

Welcome to our new combined newsletter for St Agatha's and Mother of Mercy parishes. In many ways, this newsletter is 'business as usual', containing all the messages and notices you are used to. A special thanks to the parish office staff who have put a great deal of work into the format of the newsletter - I think it looks great.



That being said, I believe the newsletter also represents an important step in the relationship between the two parishes as we enter more deeply into a sense of shared mission. It captures the reality of distinct communities, each with their own identity, and yet united in the goal of proclaiming the Gospel and reaching out to the community with the offer of pastoral care.

Next weekend, we will be celebrating the final 5pm Saturday evening Mass at Hendra and the final 7:30am Sunday morning Mass at St John's. Again, I wish to extend my sincerest invitation to each of you, who worship at either of those Masses, to join one of the other Mass communities in our parishes. I am sure I speak on behalf of our whole community in saying that you will be most welcome wherever you choose to attend. We value your presence in our community. You will be in our prayers over these next couple of weeks.

Finally, let me extend my congratulations to the children who are making their First Communion this weekend. I pray that this sacrament will allow you to experience God's love for you, as He nourishes you with the Bread of Life. A special thanks to all who have accompanied you on your journey of formation, especially your parents and guardians. I hope you will continue to be part of our community as we worship God and share in Word and Sacrament.

**Blessings,
Fr Michael.**



2024 ANNUAL

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 2024 - THIS SUNDAY 18 AUGUST

Your gift is a blessing to your local community. Donation envelopes are available on the pews this Sunday 18 August. Alternatively, you can donate via the following links for each parish:

<https://bit.ly/3y5r4FJ>

(Mother of Mercy Parish)
or via the QR Code



<https://bit.ly/3OJTzyJ>

(St Agatha's Parish)
or via the QR Code



St Agatha's Church
52 Oriel Road, Clayfield



Our Lady Help of Christians Church
9 Bowman Street, Hendra



St Cecilia's Church
30 College Street, Hamilton



St John's Church
688 Nudgee Road, Northgate

The Sacrament of EUCHARIST

Please pray for children and their families as they receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist this Sunday 18 August.

9.30am OLHC, Hendra
5.30pm St Agatha's, Clayfield

Please note that the front section of both churches will be reserved for the children and their families.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2024

NEXT SUNDAY 25 August


As part of celebrating World Day of Migrants and Refugees, and the diversity and vibrancy of Catholic faith traditions, all attending the morning Masses next Sunday 25 August are invited to wear their cultural dress.



What's on at St Agatha's

- 18 August 8.00am Mass Morning tea following Mass
Hosted by Gloria Lee, Mel Lillicrap, Anna Chetcuti
- 9.30am and 10.30am Baptisms
- 5.30pm First Holy Communion Mass
- 5.30pm (NO PIZZA NIGHT - due to First Holy Communion celebration)

St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- ♦ **Children's Liturgy for Prep to Year 4** this Sunday 18 August at the 8am Mass. We invite children to come along to learn more about Jesus and the gospel through child-friendly, engaging activities. 
- ♦ **St Agatha's Parish Census:** The St Agatha's Community & Mission Council will be undertaking a Parish Census throughout August. A Parish Census serves as a vital tool for understanding the makeup of our Church community. It also ensures St Agatha's has current contact information for our Parishioners. As it has been several years since our last Parish Census, everyone is encouraged to participate even if they do not regularly attend Mass. Paper census forms are available at the entrance of the Church at both Masses throughout August. The census can also be completed online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/7M7BZ8Q. Thank you to everyone who has completed the Parish Census either paper form or via the link. If you haven't, please do so before the end of August. **Thank you...**
- ♦ **Thursday 22 August - 9.00am Mass:** On Thursday 22 August, St Agatha's School Year 4's will be leading the 9.00am Mass with music and readings. All welcome.

Baptismal Joy!!

This Sunday at St Agatha's we welcome with great joy six new members of Christ's faithful people:

Digby Hugh Rollinson, son of Scott and Caitlyn; *Henry and Sophia Reumann*, children of Andreas and Laura; *William McLeod*, son of Alexander and Prudence; *Pia Thompson*, daughter of Joel and Elizabeth; *Camilla Roff*, daughter of Timothy and Sophie.

In our prayers we remember. . .

Those who have died recently:

Hugh Stewart, Peter Gimpel

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

May McKenzie, Inacio Pais, Esther Lobo

Those who are unwell: Stuart Carlton-Smith



What's happening in MOM Parish this week

Sun 18 9.30am First Holy Communion Mass (OLHC)

Baptism of Charlie Townson

MOM Parish Messages....

- ♦ **CALLING ALL BUDDING BARISTA'S:** We are offering a free training session for all those interested in learning how to use a commercial coffee machine. If you would like to learn the skills of making a great cup of coffee, why not come along and give it a go! We are happy to teach adults and children over the age of 14.

12 noon—Wednesday 21 August
Parish Centre, 9 Bowman St Hendra

Just bring yourself and a smile and we'll do the rest!



- ♦ **PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK:** The Parish would like to update the "We Pray For" listing contained in the newsletter each week. We ask that parishioners advise the Parish Office of any names they wish to keep on the current list and the parish will continue noting those to be prayed for. We intend to keep names on this list for 1 month and then remove if no further advice, hoping God's healing has happened. **Please note that our Prayer Engine will continue to hold all those who are unwell in their prayers each Tuesday at 1.00pm in OLHC Church.** (Prayer intentions can be placed in the boxes at the doors of the churches).

BAPTISM: We warmly welcome Charlie Townson who receives the Sacrament of Baptism at Mother of Mercy Parish this weekend. We ask God's blessings for Charlie, his parents, Ben and Chewe, Godparents, family and friends.



Lectio Divina

Read, study and share about the Bible

Continues this Sunday 18 August
11-11.45am Parish Centre, Hendra



IN MEMORIAM—JOHN GEBBETT

John Gebbett, who was a valued and longstanding member of our St Cecilia's community, passed into God's care on 30 July this year. **The 4.30pm Vigil Mass at St Cecilia's on Saturday 31 August will be a Memorial Mass for John** and all are most welcome to attend.

John's funeral will be held at 10.30am on Monday 19 August. Whilst all are welcome to attend the funeral, the family advise

that it can be viewed via the following livestream link:

<https://kmsmith.com.au/live-streaming/client/?nid=433c12a5-953f-4a48-9f41-559ffd20f665&t=service-details> **May John rest in peace.**

Parish Birthdays

Have you entered your birthday in our Parish Birthday Book?

Each last Sunday of the month, we celebrate the birthdays of our Parish family members with a Birthday cake after the 9.30am Mass at Hendra.

The next celebration is **Sunday 25 August**, so please come along and join us! The Birthday Book is at the Coffee Spot in the Parish Centre Courtyard—please add your name!



WE PRAY FOR....

The Recently Deceased: John Gebbett, William and Susanne Wilkie

Anniversaries: Eufemia and Silvio D'Astuto, Fr Leo Horsfall SVD, Vincent Hayes, Maria Guerreri, Neville James Rashford, Maurice Joseph Conquest, Kenneth Lee, Caterina Curcuruto

The Sick: Anita Kelley, Ailbhe Cunningham, Wayne O'Toole, Kath Shaw, Brad Ryan, Lorraine Neville, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward, Emilio Delgado, Salustia Zavaletta



Activities in our Parishes

Morning Tea: Celebrated as a community each Sunday after morning Masses at St Agatha's, Clayfield (8am) and OLHC, Hendra (9.30am). All welcome.

Evening Supper: Held on the Third Sunday of every month after 5:30pm Mass at St Agatha's, Clayfield.

Piety Stall: Open before and after Mass at St Agatha's Clayfield. **Cash or card accepted.** Various items for sale: Rosary beads, St Christopher medals and keyrings, Biography cards of various saints.

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: 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. The Prayer Engine will meet at OLHC Church, Hendra every Tuesday, from 1:00-2:15pm. All are welcome to join in prayer!

Saturday Adoration: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Saturday, 6am—4:00pm at OLHC Hendra for personal prayer. For any enquiries, contact Julie Anne 0418 193 235 or Pat 0411 597 781.

Parish Spirituality Group: The group meet at 9:30am on the first Tuesday of the month in the Parish Centre at Hendra to discuss the gospel reading for the next Sunday.

Portofino Mass: Fourth Wednesday of the month at 11am. Due to safety and security reasons, only residents of Portofino attend. Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion distribute Holy Communion to residents every Sunday.

Parish Playgroup: Currently operating each week (in school terms). Held every Friday 9:00am-11:30am (babies to Prep) in the OLHC Primary School OSHC, 23 Bowman St, Hendra. For enquiries, call Parish Office 3268 3040.

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School

This week we have celebrated Science Week with a whole school incursion from Street Science.



We wish all our Sacramental candidates every blessing for their First Holy Communion on Sunday. May their faith continue to be strengthened and formed as they continue on their journey. Have a great week everyone.

Kym Waters APRE (OLHC School Hendra)

We must teach more by example than by word. St Mary MacKillop

The **OLHC School Long Lunch** is taking place later this month on **Saturday August 24 at the school**. This is a great afternoon for our parent and school community and a wonderful social event right in your backyard and open to all members of the local community to come along. If anyone in the Parish would like to join us, the event details and tickets are all on the link:

<https://events.humanitix.com/olhc-long-lunch-bje8drj5>

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

This week at St Agatha's, we celebrated Science Week. On Thursday we held a Science Showcase showing a range of learning across the year groups reflecting the theme 'Species Survival'. Year 3 enjoyed a field trip to the Planetarium and Year 5/6 presented their STEM MAD projects to students and families. Thank you to STEM Key Teachers Bronte Hutchinson and Sarah Bermingham for leading Science Week with creativity and enthusiasm.



Anne-Marie Maw Principal (St Agatha's School Clayfield)
Growth, Friendship, Faith.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

25 AUGUST 2024

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Josh 24:1-2,15-18

Second Reading: Eph 5:21-32

Gospel: Jn 6:60-69



MULTICULTURAL MASS

"God walks with His People" Pope Francis



2.00pm, 25 August 2024, Queen of Vietnamese Martyrs Catholic Church, 54 Flint St, Inala

FIND OUT MORE



Women of The Way Retreat

Holy Spirit Set my Heart on Fire!
1 Peter 1:10

11th—13th Oct 2024

337 Old Gympie Rd
Dakibin Q 4503

Contact: Rosa Montegrando 0400 755 516
Women of The Way: wowqld@gmail.com

INVITATION TO A HEALING MASS

Are you in need of healing prayer for you or your family? An invitation is extended to the people of the Archdiocese to attend a **Healing Mass at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 6th Sept, 2024 at 7.30pm**. Fr. Tomi Alexander Vattukulathil of Jubilee Parish, will be the celebrant. The Sacrament of Healing will be administered during Mass together with a personal prayer. Prayer ministry will also be offered after Mass for anyone who would like further prayer. Supper will be provided. For more information, contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or by email to lenpatairey@gmail.com

Commemoration of Saints August 2024

- Mon 19 St John Eudes, *priest*
- Tues 20 Saint Bernard, *abbot, doctor* **MEMORIAL**
- Wed 21 St Pius X, *pope* **MEMORIAL**
- Thurs 22 Queenship of The Blessed Virgin Mary **MEMORIAL**
- Fri 23 St Rose of Lima, *virgin*
- Sat 24 St Bartholomew, *apostle* **MEMORIAL**



Pray for us...

A VOCATION VIEW: God has given us living bread from heaven so we may live in Him forever. How may we give of ourselves so others may experience this gift of Christ?



To talk to someone about your vocation, Contact Vocation Brisbane. P: (07) 3336 9392
E: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au
W: www.catholicpriesthood.com



Votive Candles at St Agatha's Church, Clayfield (accessible on Sundays before and after Masses only)

The votive candle stand is located in the Mary MacKillop Chapel at St Agatha's Church. 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.



Items for inclusion in this Newsletter—Cut Off 1:00pm Tuesday.

Please email or write out to: hendra@bne.catholic.net.au OR clayfld@bne.catholic.net.au

REGISTER NOW!!!

IGNITE CONFERENCE 2023: RISE UP!

19—22 Sept 2024, St Laurence's College, South Brisbane

"In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth,
RISE UP and WALK." Acts 3:6-7.

Please register your interest via the link <https://forms.gle/CyLEZF5ontdsG7dh9> or by using the QR code.



Sunday Mass Rosters

Date	Reader Clayfield 8am Mass	Reader Clayfield 5:30pm Mass	Reader OLHC 9:30am Mass	Eucharistic Minister OLHC 9:30am Mass
18 Aug	Annette Riba Luke Sutton	Volunteer Louis Currie	Serena Varendorff Bill Nott	Pat Shine Louise Nott
25 Aug	Eileen Duncan Phill Ryan	Andre Marino Amelia Marino-Cebulski	Andrew Devereux Kathryn Bourke	Barbara Nelson Lorelei Gozzard

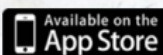
SUPPORT MOTHER of MERCY PARISH

We very much appreciate your continued financial assistance and donations to the Parish are most warmly welcomed. This can be best achieved by direct debit to the following account:

Mother of Mercy Parish Account BSB 064 786 Acc—100007977

Please note "Donation" and your name as a reference. Please send your receipt to: finance.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au after your payment has been made.

<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>



Another way to donate easily is via the **PARISH GIVING APP**: Scan the QR code above, or the code attached to the church collection plates, to your mobile telephone and follow the prompts to complete your giving donation.

Do you have a Family Trust? Did you know that making your weekly gift to the Parish through dividend income from your trust reduces your tax obligations? Additionally, these gifts are not counted against your family tax benefit payments. Contact your financial advisor for details on how you can save taxes and help build our Parish community at the same time.

SUPPORT ST AGATHA'S PARISH

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

Ways to financially support your parish

- Direct Debit (please contact Parish Office)
- Place your offerings in the collection plate at Mass
- Planned Giving Envelopes
- The Parish Giving App (scan the QR code—attached to the collection plate or shown below— to your mobile telephone and follow the prompts to complete your giving donation).

You can also contribute via internet banking direct to the Parish -

Account name: Clayfield Parish

BSB number: 064 786

Account number: 100006157

Reference: PGDonation + your surname



MASS TIMES

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30pm	St Cecilia's, Hamilton
Saturday 5:00pm Vigil:	Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra
Sunday 7:30am	St John's, Northgate
Sunday 8:00am Mass:	St Agatha's, Clayfield (Families Mass)
Sunday 9:30am Mass:	Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra (Families Mass)
Sunday 5:30pm Mass:	St Agatha's, Clayfield (Youth Mass)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 8.45am	Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra
Thursday 9:00am	St Agatha's, Clayfield
Friday 9:00am	St John's, Northgate

CHANGES TO MASS TIMES FROM WEEKEND OF 31ST AUGUST / 1ST SEPTEMBER:

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday:	4:30 pm - Vigil Mass, St Cecilia's, Hamilton
Sunday:	8:00 am - St Agatha's, Clayfield
	9:30 am - OLHC, Hendra
	5:30 pm - St Agatha's, Clayfield

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:45 am	Wednesday - OLHC, Hendra
9:00 am	Thursday - St Agatha's, Clayfield
9.00 am	Friday - St John's, Northgate



We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that 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.

For information: <http://www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/>