



Newsletter

CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29 SEPTEMBER 2024

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APRE: Mr Jake Knowles

Our Lady Help of Christians Primary School

23 Bowman St, Hendra Phone: 3268 3070

School Principal: Mr Adam Bennie

APRE: Kym Waters

Where there is love, there is God

So today's readings are fundamentally saying two things. First, on the one hand, we have to learn to recognise that God can do his work through all kinds of people. St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) said:

Wherever there is a caring [agape]-love, there is God.

Christians clearly have no monopoly on loving others. And we can add that wherever there is true justice being practised, there is God; wherever there is true freedom being promoted or defended, there is God; wherever there is a person, perhaps a total stranger from another race or culture, who acts as a true brother or sister to me, there is God. And so it goes.

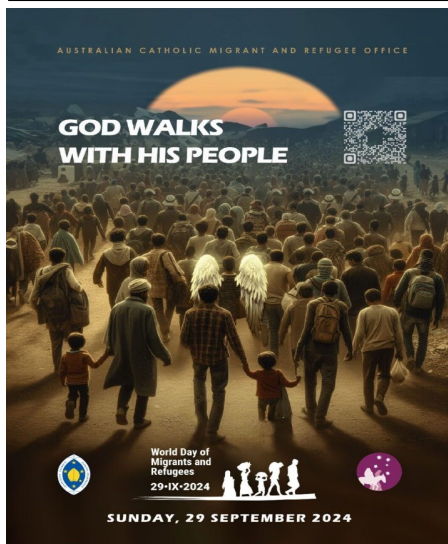
On the other hand, as a Christian, through my baptism, I have been called—it is my vocation—to be for others another Christ. Far from being jealous of the good that others do, we need to hear the words of Moses today:

Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!

We may get some indication of where we stand if we listen carefully to the scathing words of James in the Second Reading. What are our attitudes to wealth and poverty? To luxury side by side with indigence? To the glaring inequities between countries' standards of living?

I am called not only to be for myself a good person. I am called to reach out, to love, to be just to others, to be fully free with and for others, to be truly brother or sister. I am also called to be a prophet, to proclaim in words and actions that the Source of all love, justice, freedom and solidarity with others is a God who loves, who forgives and who wants all to share in a life that is enriched on every level.

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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

What's on at St Agatha's

29 September 8.00am Mass
 Morning tea following Mass
 Hosted by Jane Arkinstall, Jane Cameron, Soniya Seby
5.30pm Mass

What's happening in MOM Parish this week

Sun 29 Sept Morning tea following 9.30am Mass
 (Parish courtyard OLHC)
 11.00am *Lectio Divina* (Parish Centre)

St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- ◆ Children's Liturgy will resume Sunday 6 October, at the 8am Mass.
- ◆ Clayfield Parish office will be closed on Friday 27 September.
- ◆ If anyone has lost a "Spriggy" VISA card, please contact the Clayfield Parish office 3262 2859.



Monthly
It's the Mass- made for children!
 The second Sunday of the month,
 every month of the school term

Family
 @ Aggie's

Think Pink Family Mass
 Sunday October 13th 8:00am

Nominate your child for a role/reading.
 Email Sandy: cantaruttis@bne.catholic.net.au

Come wearing pink for Breast Cancer awareness!
 Bring a plate to share for after!

MOM Parish Messages....

- ◆ **MASS TIMES FOR NORTH-EAST DEANERY PARISHES:** At the most recent North-East Deanery meeting, it was recommended that parishes in the Deanery share Mass times. Please see information on the notice boards in the churches noting the Weekend and Weekday Mass times for other parishes in the Deanery.
- ◆ **Parish Birthdays:** The celebration of our October birthdays is **Sunday 26 October** after the 9.30am Mass at OLHC, so please come along and join us!



DATE CLAIMER

Parish Women's Catch-up—Sat 12 October 2024
 Would you like to get to know some more women from our parish?
 More details to follow shortly!
 Children and non-parishioners welcome.



Continues this Sunday
 29 September
 11-11.45am
 Parish Centre, Hendra
 All very welcome!!

In our prayers we remember. . . .

Those who have died recently:

Patrick "Paddy" Ryan, Ryan Batchelor

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Agnes Power, Gerard Power



WE PRAY FOR....

The Recently Deceased: Patrick ("Peter/Paddy") Ryan, Patricia Coates

Anniversaries: Dorothy May Williams, Dorothy Heather Antony, Douglas (Doug) Sydney Cowell, Marie Therese Postle, Father Francis Douglas, Monica Simpson

The Sick: Trevor Parminter, Rosaria Fazio, Elizabeth Cook, Wendy Tunin, Anita Kelley, Wayne O'Toole, Kath Shaw, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward, Emilio Delgado, Salustia Zavaletta



ST AGATHA'S PARISH AND MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



Our next **Alpha (18-35's)** starts
THIS Sunday
29 September at 6.30pm
St Agatha's Church, Clayfield

We will share some food @6.30pm, watch a video, discuss in small groups and finish by 8.30pm. Whilst weekly participation is the ideal we can work around absences.

We hope that you will invite some of the 18-35 year olds you know to join us. **Who will you invite?**

Info: [Have Open Conversations about the Christian Faith, Try Alpha](#)

Promo Video: [afs_australian_edition_trailer \(with_subtitles\) \(540p\) 61sec.mp4 - OneDrive](#)



Discover the Treasures of the Gospel of John!

Are you ready to embark on a transformative journey through one of the most profound books of the New Testament? Join us for an enlightening course on the **Gospel of John** and begin to unlock its mysteries, deepen your faith and transform your life.

Course Highlights:

- Dive into the themes, symbols, and narratives that make the Gospel of John unique.
- Understand the historical and cultural backdrop of John's writings.
- Explore this Gospel's profound spiritual messages and their relevance to our lives today.
- Engage in thought-provoking discussions with fellow learners.

◆ **Course runs over four sessions: October 9, October 16, October 23, October 30.**

Each session will run twice: at **9.30am – 11am**, and repeated at **7pm – 8.30pm**.

◆ **Location:** Mother of Mercy Parish centre, 9 Bowman St, Hendra.

◆ **Cost:** Your time and openness!

We look forward to journeying with you!

Women of The Way
 Retreat
 Holy Spirit
 Set my Heart on Fire!

11th—13th Oct 337 Old Gympie Rd
 Dakibin Q 4503

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

Men's Dinner: Saturday 12th October 2024

Mother of Mercy Parish Centre (9 Bowman St, Hendra)

Dinner from 6pm : Guest Speaker from 7pm—**Paul Nannes**, from **Real Talk**

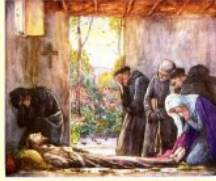
Cost: \$15 to cover chicken and salad (BYO limited alcohol provided)

RSVP: Monday 7 October

JOEL PERKINS: 0438 241 624
 BILL NOTT ON 0418 183 400



You are invited to the celebration of the Vigil Feast of The Transitus of St Francis with the Franciscan Family



Ceremony commences at 6.30 pm
Thursday 3rd October 2023
At St Therese and St Anthony Church
"The Little Flower"

80 Turner Road, Kedron
If you have any questions, please contact the
Parish Office on 32674825
or Email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

ANNUAL PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MARIAN VALLEY

Date: Saturday, 05 October 2024.

Place: The Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians
(Marian Valley, Canungra). GPS: 2541 Beechmont Rd, Witheren

Our annual parish pilgrimage to Marian Valley falls on the Feast Day of Saint Faustina. This year it is more significant and memorable with the blessing and opening of the newly built Divine Mercy Chapel. This event will help strengthen the Divine Mercy devotion that Holy Spirit Catholic Parish has been doing for more than 10 years. You are invited to this memorable occasion.

Celebrant & Homilist
Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE
Wilcannia-Forbes Diocese



10.00am Holy Hour, Exposition, Rosary, Confession
11.00am Solemn Mass at the Divine Mercy Chapel
for the blessing & opening of the Chapel
12.30pm Lunch (available at the Shrine)
1.30pm Eucharistic Procession to Fatima Grotto
for the 1st Saturday Devotions
3.00pm Divine Mercy Hour

If you have any questions or need further information, feel free to contact
Jan at 0438 721 447 or Maureen at 0413 136 544.
Cost \$30. RSVP 27 September

Blessing & Opening
DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

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.

Date Claimer: Invitation to attend.

Fr Mark Raper SJ Talk - 'The Escalating Crisis in Myanmar and the Role of the Church'

will be held on Thursday 10 October at 7.00pm in St Ignatius Church, Kensington Tce, Toowong. Entry is free, however donations will be collected for Jesuit Mission's work in Myanmar. All are welcome to join us or alternatively view online at St Ignatius Parish YouTube Channel - https://youtube.com/live/i8jXjQNLvgE?feature=share&fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMATAAR3xnCeQe4v8VJ_g8HxdmRYvhOyIQgL5AlkxSap2Tr3SB8K3ciKn3fADltc_aem_DKAwsHwwDSbEMAiqfgjxqQ

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN

We ask all parishioners to please make themselves familiar with the Emergency Evacuation Plans that are located at the Church doors. In the unlikely event of the need for an emergency evacuation of the Church, please immediately and calmly proceed to the nearest exit and gather at the meeting point as outlined in the plan.



DATE CLAIMERS

St Agatha—Patron Saint of Breast Cancer
October 2024

Breast Cancer Awareness Month



NEXT Sunday 6th October 8.00am Mass

Special Blessing in Mass & Longest Morning Pink Tea following Mass

Sunday 13th October 8.00am Mass—**Family Mass (wear pink)**

Sunday 20th October 8.00am Mass

Morning Tea following Mass at both of these 8am Masses

5.30pm Mass

Pink Delights and Pizza following Mass

Sunday 27th October 8.00am Mass

Morning Tea following Mass

ST VINCENT DE PAUL—ITEMS WANTED:

SVDP Hendra Conference is in need of good working **mobile phones and laptops** for needy clients. Donations would be gratefully appreciated. Please contact Mike on 0419 027 430.



NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School

Term 4 brings the culmination of lots of great work achieved by the students, staff, parents and community of OLHC this year. Next term, we look forward to continuing our transition program for our Prep 2025, opening our newly renovated building, celebrating World Teacher's Day, Grandparents Day, our Christmas Carols Concert and lots more.

We wish all families a great term break, full of rest and relaxation in preparation for another fruitful term.

Amanda Steer (Acting Principal) OLHC School Hendra

From Kym Waters APRE: I am going to be taking long service leave for weeks 1 and 2 of next term. I wish everyone a safe and life-giving break so you can bring all the good vibe energy back into our final term for 2024.

Kym Waters APRE (OLHC School Hendra)

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



St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

* There are limited vacancies in some year groups for 2025 at St Agatha's.

* **Open Day** will be held on Friday 1st November from 8:45am - 10:15am.

<https://www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx>

Growth, Friendship, Faith.

Sunday Mass Rosters

Date	Reader Clayfield 8am Mass	Reader Clayfield 5:30pm Mass	Reader OLHC 9:30am Mass	Eucharistic Minister OLHC 9:30am Mass
29 Sept	Annette Riba Paul Bartels	Andre Marino Amelia Marino-Cebulski	Serena Varendorff Bill Nott	Louise Nott Kate McLean
6 October	Eileen Duncan <i>Volunteer</i>	Joel Perkins Louis Currie	Angela Devereux Robyn Jeynes	Pat Shine Lorelei Gozzard

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

- **TAP N GO—DONATION tap point:** Our parish has installed a new donation terminal, located at the door of the church. Please follow the prompts to activate the device then select your donation and tap your card or mobile.
- Place your offerings in the collection plate at Mass
- Direct Debit (please contact Parish Office)
- 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



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.

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Another way to donate easily is via the **PARISH GIVING APP:** Scan the QR code (*shown here, or the code attached to the 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.

MASSSES IN THE PARISHES (FROM 1 SEPTEMBER 2024)

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

A VOCATION VIEW: Some people do not respond to God's call because they feel they are not worthy to do God's work. And they are not – nobody is! But still, God calls. There is enough ministry for many more. Answer God's Call.



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



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.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

6 OCTOBER 2024

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Gen 2:18-24

Second Reading: Heb 2:9-11

Gospel: Mk 10:2-16



Commemoration of Saints September—October 2024

Mon 30 St Jerome, *priest, doctor* MEMORIAL

October

Tues 1 St Therese of the Child Jesus, *virgin, doctor*

Wed 2 The Holy Guardian Angels MEMORIAL

Fri 4 St Francis of Assisi, *priest* MEMORIAL

Sat 5 St Faustina Kowalska, *virgin*

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Pray for us....



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/>

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

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