



# Newsletter

## CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**13 OCTOBER 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

The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B readings focus on the wisdom of God and the challenge of following Jesus. The messages encourage believers to seek God's wisdom and prioritize spiritual wealth over material wealth.



- **Value of Wisdom:** The first reading shows how King Solomon prayed for wisdom and valued it above all riches. This teaches us to seek God's wisdom, which is more precious than any material wealth.
- **Living Word of God:** The second reading from Hebrews reminds us that God's word is alive and powerful. It can judge our thoughts and desires, urging us to live according to God's teachings.
- **Detachment from Riches:** In the Gospel, Jesus tells the rich young man to sell all he has and follow Him. This shows the challenge of letting go of earthly possessions to fully commit to Jesus.
- **Following Jesus:** Jesus' call to the rich young man is a reminder for all of us to follow Him without reservation. It emphasizes the importance of prioritizing our relationship with Jesus over anything else.
- **Eternal Life:** The rich young man asks Jesus how to inherit eternal life. Jesus' response teaches that eternal life is a gift from God that requires faith and dedication to His commandments.
- **God's Impossible Made Possible:** Jesus tells His disciples that it is hard for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God, but nothing is impossible with God. This reassures us that God can help us overcome any obstacles in our spiritual journey.

The readings for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B encourage us to seek God's wisdom and prioritize our spiritual journey. By following Jesus and trusting in God's power, we can overcome the challenges of earthly attachments and strive for eternal life.

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**CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL—THIS WEEKEND**



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/mongolia), or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.

To donate online, pls click here – [catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/mongolia)

SCAN ME



**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

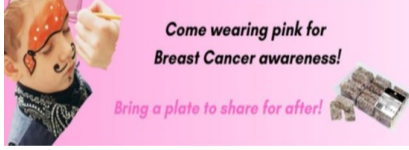
## What's on at St Agatha's

**13 October** **8.00am Mass**  
Morning Tea following Mass  
Hosted by the Community and Mission Council,  
Sarah Fraser and Brooke Gordon  
**5.30pm Mass**

### St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- ◆ No Children's Liturgy this Sunday 13 October.

**Please join us for the Family Mass at 8am wear something pink.**



### St Agatha's Primary School Centenary

On 27 January 1925, St Agatha's School opened with 120 students. The founding Principal was Mother Patrick Madden and her staff consisted of Sisters Ignatius Kelly and Bernadette Hayman, later being joined by Sister Rita Martin.

In 2025, we look forward to a significant and exciting milestone for our school, parish and local community as we celebrate 100 years of growth, friendship and faith by honouring the past, celebrating the present and embracing the future of St Agatha's.

A Centenary Committee has been established and planning is already underway. Stay tuned for updates on events, publications, displays, merchandise and more in the lead up to this historic year.

**Contact** Email: PCLAPnFCentenary@bne.catholic.edu.au  
Instagram: @stagathasschool Facebook: stagathasclayfield

## In our prayers we remember. . . .

### Those who have died recently:

Cornelia Rundle, Susie Burman

### Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Jean Hickey



## What's happening in MOM Parish this week

**Sun 13 Oct** Morning tea following 9.30am Mass (Parish courtyard OLHC)  
11.00am *Lectio Divina* (Parish Centre)  
**Mon 14 Oct** Funeral of Violet Conquest  
Funeral of Denise McEniery  
**Wed 16 Oct** **Course on the Gospel of John** (Parish Centre, Hendra)

### MOM Parish Messages....

- ◆ **WELCOME VISITING PRIESTS:** We warmly welcome Fr Tom Elich, Monsignor John Grace, Fr Frank O'Dea, Fr Neil Muir and Fr John Zhao who will be assisting with Masses in the Mother of Mercy and St Agatha's Parishes during Fr Michael's annual leave.

- ◆ **CHILDREN'S LITURGY EVERY SUNDAY IN TERM 4:** Children's Liturgy will be held every Sunday during the 9.30am Mass at OLHC, Hendra during the school term. All children welcome! Please bring along your children, grandchildren and Godchildren! We can't wait to see you there!



- ◆ **\*REMINDER\* MENS AND WOMENS'S EVENTS THIS SATURDAY:** There are two events being held this Saturday 12 October as follows:

- ◇ **Men's Dinner** with special guest speaker Paul Ninnes from Real Talk: 6pm—Parish Centre, Hendra
- ◇ **Parish Women's Catch Up**—5.30pm—Victoria Park Bistro (**RSVP Fri 11/10: [Women's 12th October catchup RSVPs and Lift info.docx](#)**)

**LECTIO DIVINA** Continues this Sunday 13 October  
**11-11.45am Parish Centre, Hendra** *All very welcome!!*

## WE PRAY FOR....



**The Recently Deceased:** Violet Margaret Conquest, Denise Dorothy McEniery, Fr Gerard O'Collins SJ, Fr Arthur Stidhill MSC

**Anniversaries:** Rocco Morfea, David Redgrave Lord, Marcel Conescu, Betty Ogilvie, Raymond (Ray) Joseph Milnes, Vanessa Colleen Bumstead, Bishop James O'Collins

**The Sick:** Rosaria Fazio, Elizabeth Cook, Wendy Tunin, Anita Kelley, Wayne O'Toole, Kath Shaw, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward

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

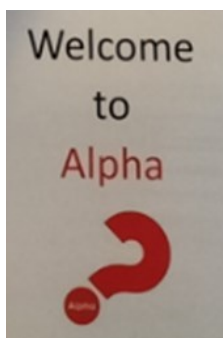


### Change of Venue for 18-35s Alpha

From this Sunday 13 October, Alpha will be held at the Mother of Mercy Parish Centre, 9 Bowman St, Hendra at the same time 6.30-8.30pm.

This Sunday's topic will be "Who is Jesus?" We will share a meal, watch a video and discuss it in small group/s of 18 to 35 year olds & we hope that you will join us even if you missed Week 1.

**NB: We will take a break on 20 October and resume on 27 October** due to many who are involved having clashing commitments.



### Pope's Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

*On Monday 7 October, the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, Pope Francis and the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem Cardinal Pizzaballa urged the whole Church to join in prayer for peace in the Middle East as follows:*

God of all peace,  
who turn swords into ploughshares,  
we hold up to you the bloodshed of the Middle East,  
asking that you put an end to violence,  
silence the weapons of war  
and bring justice for all,  
so that cries of lament  
may turn to praise of your mercy.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever. Amen.  
Mary Queen of Peace, pray for us



### Discover the Treasures of the Gospel of John!

**CONTINUES THIS COMING WEEK—WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER**

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!*

### Queensland Bishops Election Statement

The Catholic Bishops of Qld have collaborated on a statement urging those seeking election at this year's State election to speak the truth and those who will vote for them to use their ballot for the good of all. The statement in full, together with a video featuring most of Queensland's bishops, can be viewed on this page: <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/queensland-bishops-election-statement/>  
Hard copies are available at the church doors.



## DATE CLAIMERS

St Agatha—Patron Saint of Breast Cancer  
October 2024

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**THIS Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 8.00am Mass—Family Mass (wear pink)**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 8.00am Mass**

**Morning Tea following Mass at both of these 8am Masses**

**5.30pm Mass**

**Pink Delights and Pizza following Mass**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 8.00am Mass**

**Morning Tea following Mass**



## HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE MASS – CCR Bardon



People in the Archdiocese are invited to attend a **Healing of the Family Tree Mass** at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Bardon, on **Friday, 1st November 2024 at 7.30pm**. Fr. William Aupito Luliano, PP, St. Mary's, South Brisbane Parish, will be the celebrant. Come, offer the Mass and pray for the healing of your ancestors. Preparation information and a genogram can be downloaded from the CCR Bardon website: [ccrbardon.org.au](http://ccrbardon.org.au) under **Resources**. Information and genograms will also be made available on the night. It is important that you read the information. Genograms will be brought forward to the altar at the Offertory and destroyed after Mass. Anointing and a short personal prayer for each person will be administered by the priest after the homily. Healing prayer will also be made available after Mass. For more information contact Len Airey: Email [lenpatairey@gmail.com](mailto:lenpatairey@gmail.com) or 0421 977 849.

Brisbane Chorale  
Sunday 13 October 3pm  
Brisbane City Hall

# Into Paradise

Fauré Requiem • Durufle Requiem

The Requiems of Fauré and Durufle are two of the most beloved choral works in the French repertoire. These composers focused on a message of love and hope in their Requiems, in an aspiration for peace. Join us for uplifting and inspiring music showcasing the beautiful textures of choir, soloists, orchestra and the grand organ of Brisbane City Hall.

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## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

OUR AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS TEACH US THAT "ALL OF US MUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHANGING THE CULTURAL FACTORS IN OUR CHURCH AND SOCIETY THAT HAVE ALLOWED VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO FLOURISH."

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION  
AT ST FLANNAN'S PARISH CHURCH, ZILLMERE,  
AT 10AM ON SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER  
WHERE WE CAN PRAY FOR THE WISDOM AND COURAGE TO CHANGE  
AND TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.



## Inter-Church Council "Quiet (Reflection) Afternoon"

Theme: Compassion / Self Compassion | Presenter: Marlene Warnock

Venue: St Mark's Anglican Church, Cnr Bonney Avenue and Bellevue Terrace, Clayfield

Time: 2.00—3.30pm (approx.), Sunday, 20 October 2024

Enquiries: Paul Martin 3268 1571 *All are most welcome.*

## 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. Morning tea after Mass. 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

We are holding our school **Open Day on Wednesday 30th October**. It is a chance to meet with the school leadership team and to also tour our beautiful school.

We are running 2 sessions on this day **9-10am** and then again at **4-5pm**. You are more than welcome to attend either of these sessions.

**Amanda Steer Principal**  
(OLHC School Hendra)

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



### St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

◆ **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.*



**Limited vacancies in 2025**

**Prep – Year 6**

For details phone 3326 9222

or visit [www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au/enrolments](http://www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au/enrolments)

# Sunday Mass Rosters

Date	Reader Clayfield 8am Mass	Reader Clayfield 5:30pm Mass	Reader OLHC 9:30am Mass	Eucharistic Minister OLHC 9:30am Mass
13 October	<b>Family Mass</b>	Declan Harte Karen Birtles	Paul McLean Kathryn Bourke	Barbara Nelson Robyn Jeynes
20 October	Erin Bledsoe Scott Fitzpatrick	Giselle Hossinger Catie Kelly	Mary Nicholls Rosemary Woods	Kate McLean Dona Rotolone

## 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](mailto: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:** If we believe in something, it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that one dream. Jesus asks for total dedication, promising in return rewards that no one else can promise: "Go and sell everything you own ... then come; follow me."



To talk to someone about your vocation,  
Contact Vocation Brisbane. P: (07) 3336 9392

E: [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au) W: [catholicpriesthood.com](http://catholicpriesthood.com)



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

20 OCTOBER 2024

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Is 53:10-11

Second Reading: Heb 4:14-16

Gospel: Mk 10:35-45



## Commemoration of Saints October 2024

Mon 14 St Callistus I, pope, martyr

Tues 15 St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor MEMORIAL

Wed 16 St Hedwig, religious

St Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin

Thur 17 St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr MEMORIAL

Fri 18 St Luke, evangelist FEAST

Sat 19 Sts Isaac Jogues, John de Brebeuf, priests and companions, martyrs

St Paul of the Cross, priest

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary



## 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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