



Newsletter

CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 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

Our Scripture today invites us to worship Christ Jesus, who opens our eyes to the marvels that he has done for us as our high priest, and reveals to us the Father. The readings also assure us that our God never abandons us, even in our bondage.



Using tender, compassionate imagery, Jeremiah addresses the exiled people of Israel with a poem of restoration. He promises that God will bring them home again: they will be restored to their own land, and God's loving purpose will again be triumphant. **(First Reading)**

The account of the miracle in the **Gospel** reveals another type of restoration: the restoration of sight to Bartimaeus, the blind beggar at the roadside who cries out to Jesus in desperation. Not only is Bartimaeus healed and his sight restored, but he also models discipleship by following Jesus without hesitation.

In the **Second Reading** from Hebrews, the theme of restoration appears again: Christ Jesus is our compassionate high priest who restores us as daughters and sons of God. The **Psalms** is a pilgrim song of hope and joy, reminding us of God's goodness in the past and his ongoing deliverance of his people.

This week, we pray for the eyes of our heart and mind to be opened, so that we might receive the life-giving revelations and blessings of Jesus. We also pray for all who are living lives of bondage and slavery in our world today, and seek God's guidance as to how we can help.

Australian CATHOLICS

Prepared by St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK.

All Saints / All Souls' Day Masses

All Saints	Friday 1 November	9.00am St Agatha's, Clayfield
		9.00am St John's, Northgate
All Souls	Saturday 2 November	9.00am St Agatha's, Clayfield
		4.30pm St Cecilia's, Hamilton



On behalf of the Church in Mongolia, and people like Chuluunbaatar, we would like to again **thank you for your generosity**.

Your gift is already working towards programs like the House of Mercy, which will support people that have been affected by a range of issues, such as homelessness and domestic violence.

To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia. Your action will make a positive impact for many around the world.



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

27 October **8.00am Mass**
 Morning Tea following Mass
 Hosted by Linette & Grevin, Biju & Dani, Mary & Josy
5.30pm Mass

St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- ♦ **Children's Liturgy for Prep to Year 4 this Sunday 27 October** at the 8am Mass. We invite children to come along to learn more about Jesus and the gospel through child-friendly, engaging activities.

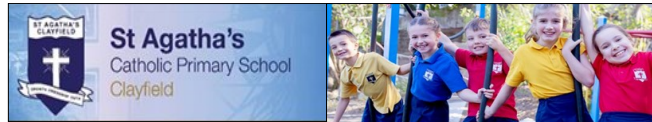


Baptismal Joy!!

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

Oscar McGaw, son of Thomas and Amy
 Tariq & Rysha Kidd, children of Richard and Tabassum
 Thomas Bentley, son of Joel & Bridget
 Harry & Thomas Bird, children of Benjamin & Stephanie

May they always know God's love and the support of this Christian Community.



Limited vacancies in 2025
Prep – Year 6

For details phone 3326 9222

or visit www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au/enrolments

In our prayers we remember. . . .

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Joyce Smith, Albert Tesch, Sally Tesch, James Delahunty, Kathleen Delahunty, Jane Morton, Dawn Lucas



What's happening in MOM Parish this week

Sun 27 Oct Morning tea following 9.30am Mass (Parish courtyard OLHC)
 11.00am *Lectio Divina* (Parish Centre)
Wed 30 Oct **Course on the Gospel of John** (Parish Centre, Hendra)
 (Each session will run twice: at **9.30am – 11am**, and repeated at **7pm – 8.30pm**)

MOM Parish Messages....

- ♦ **Parish Birthdays—October birthdays THIS Sunday 27 Oct:** Celebration cake this Sunday after the 9.30am Mass in the Parish Centre Courtyard...all welcome!



NOVEMBER MASSES — BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Parishioners are invited to write the names of their dearly departed family and friends in the **Books of Remembrance** found near the altar at each of the churches during the month of November. The names listed will be prayed for at each of the Masses during the month of November.

- ♦ **GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP—LAST MEETING FOR 2024:** The last "Gospel Reflection Group" gathering for 2024 will be held on **Tuesday 19 November at 9.30am** in the Parish Centre Meeting Room, Hendra.



- ♦ **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!



LECTIO DIVINA Continues this Sunday 27 October
 11-11.45am Parish Centre, Hendra *All very welcome!!*

WE PRAY FOR....

The Recently Deceased: Carmel Rashford, Josephine Belfruo
 Br Bernard Crawford CFC

Anniversaries: Patricia Barbara Latimer, Ann Maree Potts, Barbara Gow, Mary Markwell

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



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

Alpha Update

The Alpha team has discerned cessation of our recently commenced Alpha. Keep an eye out for an upcoming survey to inform days and timings for our re-launched Alpha for 18 to 35 year olds which is being planned for commencement in February 2025.

For Info: Have Open Conversations about the Christian Faith, Try Alpha
<https://www.alpha.org.au/try>

Parish Jumble Sale and Market Day

Saturday 17 November
9am till 1.00pm

St John's Church Hall
688 Nudgee Road, Northgate

Huge selection of quality clothing, brickabrack, books, toys, plants etc. Many treasures!

CASH ONLY



All Saints Day Celebration

Next Sunday November 3rd, at the 9.30am Mass, OLHC, Hendra

To celebrate All Saints Day, all primary aged children and younger (and older kids or adults if you like!) are invited to come to Mass dressed as a Saint. It could be your favourite saint, or one that you admire, or simply one that's easy to dress up as! After Mass there will be a celebratory morning tea at the Parish centre.

Please bring a plate of food to share.

Please contact Angela Devereux with any questions on 0411381473.



Discover the Treasures of the Gospel of John!

CONCLUDES THIS COMING WEEK
WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER



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!

St Agatha—Patron Saint of Breast Cancer

October 2024—Breast Cancer Awareness Month

THIS Sunday 27th October 8.00am Mass

Morning Tea following Mass



Morning teas and Pizza Night Memories!



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. 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 or 0421 977 849.



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.

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



Invitational Culture Masterclass on Saturday 2nd November

Renowned author, coach and leader **Michael Harvey**, founder of the ACORN method and Back to Church Sunday, will lead the Masterclass about **creating and nurturing a missional culture which is invitational**. All who are interested are invited to attend.

When: Saturday 2nd November, 1-4pm

Where: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (196 Charlotte St, Brisbane)

Cost: \$10

More info: [Invitational Masterclass.docx](#)



menALIVE is a National Catholic Ministry to Men, the purpose of which is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force within the church.

Through a variety of events and programs, men are invited to explore what God would want for their lives and how they might come to experience the fullness of life that God wants for us all.

Brochures on the program / registration forms can be found on the tables in the church foyers.

RSVP by Monday 25th November 2024

Enquiries: Tim Jones 0420 799 876

Chris Scharf 0411 127 576

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School

This week our Early Years students moved into their new classrooms in the refurbished administration building, with Middle Years students moving into their previous space next week. On Wednesday, our Preps led the school in a lovely World Teachers' Day Liturgy to thank our staff for their dedication to the learning and wellbeing of all our learners. We are incredibly blessed at OLHC to have not only such amazing learning spaces but wonderful people to fill them!

We are holding an **OPEN DAY on the 30th October (9-10am and 4-5pm)** and members of our parish community are most welcome to come and have a look too at our lovely learning spaces. Register by calling 3268 3070.

Have a great week ahead

Kym

Kym Waters AP-RE (OLHC School Hendra)

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

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School OPEN DAY

Join us on **Friday 1st November from 8.45am to 10.15am**

and discover our vibrant school community by witnessing firsthand the dynamic learning environment and excellent facilities.

St Agatha's is a co-educational school catering for students from Prep to Year 6. Meet the principal Anne-Marie Maw and enjoy a tour led by the senior students. To register your attendance, please call 3326 9222.

<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
27 October	Jane Arkinstall Andrew Pippia	Karen Birtles Louis Currie	Andrew Devereux Cutella Dias	Louise Nott Lorelei Gozzard
3 November	TBC TBC	TBC TBC	Robyn Jeynes Roselyn Rayappan	Pat Shine Kate McLean

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.

MASSES 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: 'Master, grant that I may see'. The values we were blind to in our youth now become clear. Blindness gives way to vision through faith in Jesus. As children of God, we are called to do good things and to witness God's love.



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

3 NOVEMBER 2024

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



First Reading: Deut 6:2-6

Second Reading: Heb 7:23-28

Gospel: Mk 12:28-34

Commemoration of Saints October to November 2024

Mon 28 Sts Simon and Jude, apostles **FEAST**

November

Fri 1 **ALL SAINTS SOLEMNITY**

Sat 2 **The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**



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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