



Newsletter

CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

13 APRIL 2025

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We come now to the week that sits at the heart of our faith, "Holy Week", the celebration of the passion of Christ, his suffering, death, and ultimately his resurrection. We commence with Palm Sunday, where his triumphal entrance into the holy city of Jerusalem is commemorated, before reading the passion, the account of his death. How quickly the crowd turns, first they call out "Hosanna" to their coming king, but next "crucify him".



Fr Michael Grace

If Holy Week is the heart of our faith, then the heart of Holy Week is the Triduum - the 'three days' of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Saturday (the Easter Vigil). These are the premier celebrations of the year, to be celebrated with as much solemnity and dignity as we can muster.

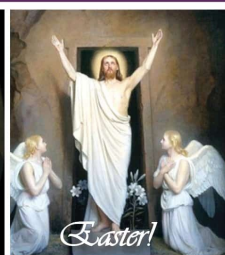
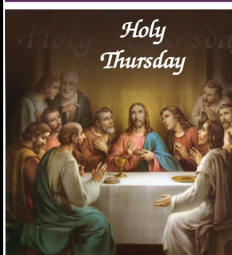
Dear brothers and sisters, my invitation to you is this: do not let Holy Week be just another week. Rather, let it be truly holy, marked by family prayer, reflections on the story of Christ's sacrifice, and especially by our participation in the liturgies of the week. In this sacred celebration, Christ draws near to us and bids us lift up our hearts.

Let them not remain unmoved.

Have a holy and blessed week

Fr. Michael Grace

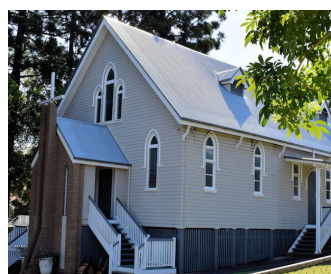
Entering into the Holy Triduum



St Agatha's Church
52 Oriol 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

Sunday 13 April

- 8.00am Mass** Morning tea following Mass
Hosted by Community and Mission Council Team
- 5.30pm Mass**

St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- ♦ **Children's Liturgy** will resume Sunday 27 April.
- ♦ **Olive Branches for St Agatha's Church:** Olive branches and golden cane palms (small to large) are required for Palm Sunday. If you are able to supply any, please contact Peter Bowden on 0407 751 946. Thank you! Your assistance is much appreciated.
- ♦ **Easter Raffle** will be drawn at the 8am Mass this Sunday 13 April.



Baptismal Joy!!

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

*Olivia and Samuel Hibbert, children of Liam and Sarah
Estelle and Millicent Addicott, children of Paul and Phoebe*

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



In our prayers we remember. . .

Those who have died recently:

Gregory Bell

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Judy Power

Those who are ill: John Clark, Nick Eden, Abby Hernandez



What's happening in MOM Parish this week

Sunday 13 April

- 9.30am** Morning tea after 9.30am Mass (Parish Centre)
11.00-11.45am *Lectio Divina* (Parish Centre) All very welcome.
Volunteer(s) at Parish Morning Tea (10.30am Sundays)
13 April: Jen Cridland **20 April:** Kate McLean, Rosemary Woods

MOM Parish Messages....

- ♦ **EASTER EGGS WANTED:** The Parish would be very grateful for the donation of packets of small easter eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt after the 9.30am Mass on Easter Sunday. Deliver at Masses or to Parish Office.



GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND: Please give generously to the Pope's worldwide Good Friday Collection to support those who are custodians of the Holy Lands. Your donation will make a real difference in the lives of those caught up in war, violence and instability in the Holy Land. **The collection will be taken up at the Good Friday ceremony at OLHC or can be put on the collection plate at Easter liturgies. Thank you for your generosity.**

*We most warmly welcome **Simona, Arya and Briella** as they are baptised at Mother of Mercy Parish this weekend. We ask God's blessings on them, their parents, Godparents, families and friends.*



WE PRAY FOR....

Recently deceased: Joseph Brewer, Benjamin Yates, Theodore O'Hagan

Anniversaries: Hazel Gordon, Francis Towler, Felix Van Ooy, Anthony Edgar Woodcock, Ellen Mary (Elma) Overell, Claire Condon, Dr Michael Bernard Grattan Geraghty, Marie Magdalene Kirwan, William John Lyons

Sick: Betty Mahoney, Dawn Collinson, Angela Krista, Rosaria Fazio, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward



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

EASTER 2025 – Holy Week Liturgies

Mother of Mercy Parish and St Agatha's Parish

2nd Rite Reconciliation Wednesday 16 April 6.00—7.00pm
OLHC, Hendra

Holy Thursday - 17 April

Mass of the Lord's Supper 6.30pm St Agatha's, Clayfield
7:00pm OLHC Church, Hendra

Good Friday – 18 April

Stations of the Cross 10.00am St Agatha's, Clayfield
10:00am St John's Church, Northgate
The Lord's Passion 3.00pm St Agatha's, Clayfield
3:00pm OLHC Church, Hendra

Holy Saturday – 19 April

Easter Vigil Mass 6.30pm St Agatha's, Clayfield
7:00pm OLHC Church, Hendra

Easter Sunday – 20 April

Easter Sunday Mass 8.00am St Agatha's, Clayfield
9:30am OLHC Church, Hendra

No evening Mass on Easter Sunday



ANZAC DAY 2025

Mother of Mercy Parish's Anzac Day Commemorative Service will be held at St John's, Northgate (688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate) on Friday 25 April.



6.00am Wreath laying and dedication

6.15am Commemorative Mass

Followed by breakfast in the adjacent hall

All military, family, friends, parishioners and community members most welcome.

St John's is the only Dedicated Navy War Memorial Church in Australia, home to the Honour Board HMAS Moreton, commemorating the 174 lives lost in WWII.



St Agatha's Parish

Anzac Day Mass will be held at 9.00am at St Agatha's Church (52 Oriol Road, Clayfield) on Friday 25 April.



*Heartful thanks to Archbishop Mark, Father Michael, our guest priests, members of the Community and Mission Council, musicians, choir and **everyone** who helped in **anyway** to make St Agatha's Church 100th Anniversary celebration such a beautiful and memorable occasion. Heartful thanks also to **everyone** who attended. It was so wonderful to see you all and for being a part of this significant celebration.*



Everyone is welcome at
**St Agatha's Primary School
Clayfield**



Assembly, Choir Performance & School Tours

Friday 2 May 2025

8.45 am to 10.30 am

Please express your interest by registering on the St Agatha's webpage
for the BCE Open Week event.

Event update

Open Week

28 April - 4 May

Everyone is welcome at
**Our Lady Help of
Christians Hendra**

Visit our website
for details

BCEOpenWeek.com



PRAYER SUPPORT—First and Third Sundays of the month OLHC Church, Hendra

A team of volunteers will be available to pray for the individual needs of parishioners following the 9.30am Mass at Hendra. Everything shared with the prayer team will remain confidential.



NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School

We remind all in our community about our upcoming **Open Week in Term 2, April 28 – May 4**. Please see the link below or QR Code for access to what is happening at our school during this special week. OLHC Open Week

We wish all in our community a happy, safe and blessed Easter Season. Travel gently during this special time.

Marie-Louise Stolberg (AP-RE)

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

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

A reminder that we have limited availability in some year levels for 2025 and 2026.

If you would like to visit us at Open Morning (Friday 2nd May) or enrol in our beautiful school, please visit our school website. <https://www.stagathasclayfield.qld.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx>

Easter blessings to everyone.

Anne-Marie Maw (Principal)

Growth, Friendship, Faith.



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**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Palm Sunday 12th and 13th April 2025

As Project Compassion 2025 draws to a close for another year, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support throughout this Lenten Season.

This year, we shared the inspiring stories of 3 individuals whose lives have been transformed through your compassion and generosity. But the work isn't done yet. There is still time to donate! Together, we can Unite Against Poverty and help transform lives this Lent.

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413



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 April	Eileen Duncan Annette Riba	Chris Begley Karen Birtles	Mary Nicholls Cutella Dias	Robyn Jaynes Pat Shine
27 April	Beth Casey Phill Ryan	Declan Harte Joel Perkins	Paul McLean Kathryn Bourke	Dona Rotolone Louise Nott

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 here*) 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

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

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

NEXT SUNDAYS' READINGS

20 APRIL 2025

SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION



First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4

Gospel: Jn 20:1-9



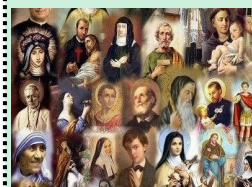
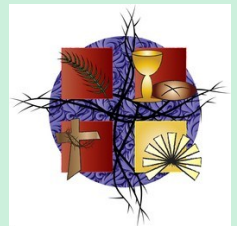
Commemoration of Saints

April 2025

Thur 17 Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Fri 18 Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Sat 19 Paschal Vigil in the Holy Night



Holy Men and Women

Pray for us....

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.



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.



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.

A vocation view: Surrender your life to God. You are promised eternal life. (Luke 22:14- 23:56)



vocation

To talk to someone about your vocation,
Contact Vocation Brisbane.

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W: catholicpriesthood.com



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

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