



Newsletter

CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



SAINTS PETER AND PAUL (SOLEMNITY)

29 JUNE 2025

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This weekend we celebrate the feast of Saints Peter and Paul. These two towering figures of our Church were quite different in outlook and temperament, yet both worked in cooperation for the establishment of the Church and the proclamation of the Gospel. Their lives serve as a powerful reminder—firstly, of the primacy of the Gospel, as each shed their blood for Christ. Secondly, they remind us that the work of the Gospel is never a private endeavour; rather, it is exercised in genuine collaboration with all the members of Christ's Body. Each person has their own gifts to bring. Let us pray for our own parish communities, relying on the intercession of these two great labourers for the faith, that we too may be committed to genuine collaboration in the work of evangelisation.



Fr Michael Grace

Speaking of workers in the vineyard: Monica, one of our parish secretaries, will be finishing up this coming week. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank her for her work—and even more so, for her presence among us. For many, the parish secretary is in fact the first point of contact people have with our parish, and it truly makes a difference when people are greeted not only with warmth but also with competence. Monica, you have done both! May God's abundant blessing go with you as you enter into this new phase of your life.

This weekend we also take up the Peter's Pence collection. This collection supports the charitable works of the Holy See and helps to fund administrative costs. I encourage you to give generously. The collection will be a retiring collection.

Let us also keep Jessica in our prayers as she is welcomed into full communion with the Catholic Church this Sunday.

Blessings,

Fr Michael

*We wish the staff,
students and families of
our Parish Schools
a very safe, happy and
enjoyable
school
holiday time.*



Goodbye and God Bless

Dear Parish friends

It is time to say a very fond farewell as I move into retirement. I have been extraordinarily blessed to work for 12 years in a place I loved, doing work I truly valued, with really wonderful colleagues. Not to forget all the friendships made with parishioners for which I am so grateful! Thank you for many kindnesses shown and parish life shared. Every blessing to all for the future. You will always remain in my prayers. **Monica**



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 29 June

8.00am Mass Morning tea hosted by: Jane Arkinstall + helpers

5.30pm Mass

St Agatha's Parish Messages....

♦ **Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday 20 July.**

♦ **ANNUAL PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND:**

This annual appeal allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters. This year, we will take up a retiring collection at all Masses in the parish this Sunday 29 June.

♦ **SVDP Winter Appeal:** The St Agatha's Conference is conducting the SVDP Winter Appeal during the month of June. Donation envelopes are available on the church seats or at the entrance of the Church.

At present, with the rising costs of living, more people are requesting assistance from the SVDP Society. Also, the Conference is assisting women and children, escaping domestic violence situations.

Any donations will be greatly appreciated by the people who call on the SVDP for help.



The Paraclete

Copies of latest edition of the *The Paraclete*, the annual magazine of the Holy Spirit Seminary, are available at the entrance of our Churches. Please feel free to take a copy.



In our prayers we remember. . . .

Those who have died recently: John Clark, Sr Christina O'Connor RSJ, Father Ron Mollison, Janelle MacGinley

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Paul McGuire, Anne and Richard Seymour

Those who are ill: Abby Hernandez



What's happening in MOM Parish this week

Sunday 29 June

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)

29 June: Kathryn Bourke

6 July: Kathryn Bourke

MOM Parish Messages....

♦ **ANNUAL PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION—THIS WEEKEND:** For the Holy Father's appeal for the most needy throughout the world. We will take up a retiring collection at Masses in the parish this Sunday 29 June.

♦ **Gospel Reflection Group—THIS TUESDAY 1 JULY:** The group meets this coming week at **9:30am** on **Tuesday 1 July** in the Parish Centre at Hendra. Morning tea follows the session. All are most welcome!

♦ **Farewell Monica:** All are warmly invited to a morning tea after the 9.30am Mass to farewell Monica on Sunday 13 July.

♦ **PLAYGROUP—BREAK PERIOD JUNE/JULY/AUG:** The Parish Playgroup will take a break for the months of June, July and first 2 weeks of August. We look forward to welcoming families on 15 August.

*We most warmly welcome **Jessica Baldwin** into our catholic community. Jessica will be received into Full Communion of the Catholic Church this weekend. We ask God's blessings on her and her family and friends.*



WE PRAY FOR....

Recently deceased: Romano Saroulo, Vincent Consangio, Judith Rigby, Sr Elizabeth Ryall rsm, Fr Ronald Mollison.

Anniversaries: Sidney D'Penha, Reginald Carruthers, Denis John Cleary, Paul Anthony Brannelly, Rocco Pagano, Mary Mauloni, Betty Irene Clarke, Bishop Andrew Tynan, Fr Patrick Tynan

Sick: Brad Ryan, Betty Mahoney, Angela Krista, Rosaria Fazio, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward



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

DATE CLAIMER: *POTLUCK LUNCH*

1.00pm Sunday 6 July 2025

At MoM Parish Centre, Hendra ALL WELCOME!

Followed by Board Games at 2.00pm (see below!)



Board Games Social Event ALL WELCOME!!

You are invited to join a group of parishioners who will meet at the MoM parish centre at **2.00pm on Sunday 6 July 2025** to play games such as Balderdash/Pictionary/Articulate and depending on interest possibly even some cards. BYO drinks & optional snacks to share. No need to RSVP. If you have questions ask Kathleen / Louise / Ash / Joe.



Date Claimer

Ignite Conference 2025: The Light

Young people, families, parishioners!!

Brisbane 25 - 28 September 2025 |

St Laurence's College, South Brisbane

For more information visit:

<https://igniteconference.com.au/>

OR

Use QR Code to register



**Our next
Mother of Mercy and St Agatha's Parishes
Alpha**

**will commence on Sunday 3 August 2025
from 10.45am – 12.45pm.**

Please think **and pray** about who you will invite and whether you might join as a participant or become a team member.

All are most welcome whether very new to Christianity or very experienced.

What is Alpha? A short course exploration of life's big questions which builds faith and community.

It's about Life, Faith & Meaning

[https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?](https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=alpha+promo+ad&mid=604CD78A0D83F012423F604CD78A0D83F012423F)

[q=alpha+promo+ad&mid=604CD78A0D83F012423F604CD78A0D83F012423F](https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=alpha+promo+ad&mid=604CD78A0D83F012423F604CD78A0D83F012423F)

Parish Community Jumble Sale

Saturday 5 July—8am till 12 noon

St John's Church Hall, 688 Nudgee Road, Northgate

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

CASH ONLY

NB: no event in August

Next event: Saturday 6 September





catholic encounter KIDS NORTHSIDE

Register here



For Primary Aged Children
Join us in the second week of the school holidays for 3 days of fun, faith and friends.

Hosted by the ECK Team with
Petrie Catholic Parish

www.encountercatholickids.com.au/2025-holiday-program

July 2nd - 4th

JUNE/JULY
HOLIDAY
PROGRAM

For Primary Aged
Children (5-11)



Petrie Parish



9:00am - 3:00pm
(with supervision from
8:30am - 5:00pm)

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.



*"For we walk by faith,
not by sight"*

2 Corinthians 5:7

Enrol Now
Prep - Year 6
Scan the QR code >>>



Discover what
St Agatha's Catholic Primary School
can offer your family.

www.stagathascayfield.qld.edu.au or 07 3326 9222

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School




As we reach the half way mark of our year, and the end of Term 2, we have certainly enjoyed a wonderful 10 weeks.

On Wednesday all at Our Lady Help of Christians came together for our Interhouse Athletics Carnival, which was a fantastic day. The sun was shining and a fresh breeze was invigorating us all to join in. It was so good to see our Prep students run, throw, pull and jump in a variety of activities and participate in so many new first time experiences. Our other students shone brightly like GEMs having a go at everything and doing their best while supporting one another throughout the day. We also enjoyed a wonderful barbecue lunch organised by our fabulous parents. A big thank you to staff and parents for their support during this special day.

On Thursday our senior year students also celebrated a lovely liturgy about the GEMs in their lives based on our school theme this year: "Finding the GEM in your day". The class shared with their parents some lovely scripture texts and prayers on gratitude and the story of 'The Important Book' and what the text taught them. It was so great to have so many parents join us for this celebration and to celebrate the great learning that is occurring in our senior years.

This weekend is the start of our winter holidays. We wish all our families and staff a safe and rejuvenating break and we are looking forward to seeing you back for Term 3 with lots of great stories about your holidays.

So many special events have occurred this term and we are so grateful that we have found the GEM  in each day.

Marie-Louise Stolberg
Assistant to the Principal in Religious Education

Find happiness in making others happy. St Mary MacKillop

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

What a wonderful term we have had at St Agatha's! This week our teachers met with parents and carers for our parent teacher interviews on Tuesday and Wednesday evening.

On Thursday our students danced up a storm with our annual Dance Concert. Seeing the students use Auslan to sign 'A Million Different Dreams' from The Greatest Showman was a true goosebump moment!

We wish all our families a restful holiday and look forward to returning for Term Three.

Anne-Marie Maw (Principal)

Growth, Friendship, Faith.



Engaged Couples Encounter



The parish recently hosted an Engaged Encounter weekend in the Parish Centre. This is a marriage preparation weekend that facilitates honest and constructive dialogue for engaged couples.

We sincerely thank Andrew and Angela Devereux for their dedicated ministry to this weekend.

Please keep these couples in your prayers as they journey to marriage.



The next Engaged Encounter weekend details are noted below:



**BUILT TO LAST: Love, Insight
and the Grace to Grow Together**

Presented by Ella Mizzi
Counsellor | Consultant | Educator

Saturday 26 July 2025

Jindalee Parish Hall, 111 Yallambee Rd, Jindalee

A transformational day designed to help couples grow together—emotionally, spiritually & relationally! *Deepen your relationship through psychology, neuroscience & Christian faith.*

For information: email info@ellamizzi.com

\$100 per couple includes workshop resources and morning tea.

50% of all proceeds will be donated to Emmanuel City Mission.



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 June	Saxon Mew Matthew Crossley	Leanne McDowall Karen Birtles	Paul McLean Kathryn Bourke	Dona Rotolone Lorelei Gozzard
6 July	<i>To be confirmed</i>	<i>To be confirmed</i>	Neville Canham Robyn Jeynes	Lorelei Gozzard 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:** The parish donation terminal is located at the front door of the church. Please follow the prompts to make your donation via tapping your card or mobile.
- Place your offerings in the collection plate at Mass.
- Direct Debit (please contact Parish Office 3268 3040).
- Planned Giving Envelopes (please contact Parish Office 3268 3040).
- Tax deductible donation to St Agatha's National Trust.
- St Agatha's Parish Endowment Fund.
- 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 Reference: PGDonation + your surname.
- Trusts can make tax-effective distributions to the Parish. Please consult your accountant or financial advisor for further details.



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.

TAP N GO—DONATION tap point: Our parish has installed new donation terminals, located at the door of the churches. Please follow the prompts to activate the device then select your donation and tap your card or mobile.

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

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

6 JULY 2025

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Is 66:10-14
Second Reading: Gal 6:14-18
Gospel: Lk 10:1-12, 17-20



Commemoration of Saints June/July 2025

Mon 30 July The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Thurs 3

St Thomas, apostle FEAST

Fri 4

St Elizabeth of Portugal

Sat 5

St Anthony Zaccaria, priest
Saturday Mass of the
Blessed Virgin Mary



Pray for us...

Safeguarding Guide for Children and Young People

The Archdiocesan Office for Safeguarding Services has issued two videos which are part of the Safeguarding Guide for Children and Young People. These videos (each around two minutes in length) are available on our website at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-resources/#videos> and on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel:

- Care for Kids - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V6lvJdgTefc>
- Children's Safeguarding - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cYNKCMjBNWE>

We recommend that parents or caregivers are present when children view these videos. This offers an opportunity for families to engage in conversation and for children to ask questions in a safe and supported environment.



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: When we recognise who Christ truly is, we can rejoice knowing that God has revealed this to us. How can we be like Peter and follow God's plan for our lives?



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



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