



Newsletter

CATHOLIC PARISHES

Clayfield ● Hendra ● Hamilton ● Northgate



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)

19 APRIL 2026

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It is not unusual to hear someone appeal to trust. It might be a used car salesman insisting a vehicle is reliable - "trust me" - or a friend who has proven dependable time and again. The weight of that appeal is clearly different. While some trust is necessary in any relationship, real trust is not demanded; it is earned.



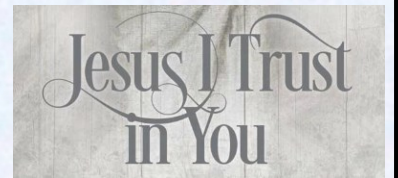
Fr Michael Grace

During this Easter season, we are invited to renew our trust in God. This is not a speculative appeal, nor one based on mere sentiment, but on the revealed faithfulness of God. In the Acts of the Apostles (this weekend's second reading), St Peter proclaims with boldness just how unflinchingly faithful our God is - and at what cost our salvation has been won.

Though we had sinned and wandered far from God, He sent His only Son into the world: Jesus Christ, our Lord. He worked many signs, healed the sick, and proclaimed the Good News to all who would listen. And we crucified Him.

Yet, far from withdrawing His offer of mercy, the Cross has become the path of life for all who believe in Christ. For God has raised Jesus from the dead! If His mercy is so great, we have no need to fear. Whatever the circumstances of our lives, or the troubles we may face, the God who has proven His love with such mighty deeds is a God who can truly be trusted.

"Jesus, I trust in You."



Blessings
Fr Michael

Anzac Day

Saturday 25 April

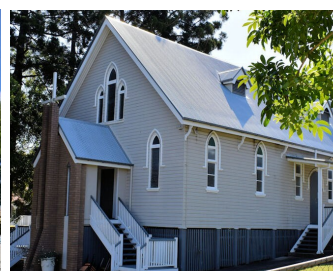
Lest We Forget



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

Sunday 19 April

8.00am Mass Morning tea hosted by:
Gloria Lee, Anna Chetcuti



5.30pm Mass PIZZA EVENING

St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- ◆ **Children's Liturgy** will resume **NEXT** Sunday 26 April.

9am Mass Thursday 23rd April

Due to the installation of the new sound system in St Agatha's Church during the week of 20th – 24th April, the Thursday 9am Mass (23rd) will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 9 Bowman Street, Hendra.

Anzac Day Mass

Anzac Day Mass will be held at St Agatha's Church, Saturday 25 April at 9.00am.

ST AGATHA'S PARISH NATIONAL TRUST APPEAL

Please find information at the back of the Church on proposed works to the Church and how to donate to assist with raising the required funds through the National Trust Appeal.

What's happening in MOM Parish this week

Sunday 19 April

9.30am Morning tea after 9.30am Mass (*Parish Centre*)



Volunteer(s) at Parish Morning Tea (10.30am Sundays)

19 April: Kate McLean

26 April: Anne Carroll

MOM Parish Messages....

- ◆ **LECTIO DIVINA** Sundays 11.00 - 11.45am (Parish Centre). Using the *Journeying Home* 2026 Lenten reflection books. All welcome.
- ◆ **MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH PRAYER ENGINE** Every Tuesday, OLHC Church from 1.00 - 2.15pm.
- ◆ **Children's Liturgy of the Word (OLHC):** Children's liturgy will resume **NEXT** Sunday 26 April.
- ◆ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** **Friday 1 May** after the 9:00am Mass at St John's, Northgate. Morning tea after Mass.
- ◆ **Prayer Support :** **Sunday 3 May** after the 9.30am Mass at OLHC Church, Hendra.
- ◆ **Anointing and Healing Mass:** **Friday 8 May** at the 9:00am Mass at St John's, Northgate. Morning tea after Mass. All welcome.

APRIL PARISH BIRTHDAYS

We will be celebrating the April Parish birthdays **NEXT** Sunday 26 April after 9:30am OLHC Mass. Please come along and join us!



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

Together we pray for



Recently deceased: Ida Bonke, Sr Mary Dorgan RSM, Sr Ancilla Leech OSB, Sr Mary Kathleen Whelan RSM

Anniversaries: Pope Francis, Max Chirila, Jim Commane, William Guiney, Charles and Catherine Martin, Christian Thomsen, Francis Towler, Felix Van Ooy, William Lyons, Leonard Hunter, Violet Shekleton, Kevin Best, Ross Brayley, Edith Stirling, Cecelia McCormack, Theodore George, Roger Kelly, Donn MacGroarty, Hugh Naughton, Patrick McKewin

Sick: Daniel Andrews, Aaron Andrews, Peter Francis Johnson, Margaret Donelan, Greg Donelan, Brad Ryan, Betty Mahoney, Rosaria Fazio, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward

St John's

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY
WAR MEMORIAL CHURCH

688 NUDGE ROAD NORTHGATE

is holding an

*Anzac Day
Commemoration Service*

Saturday 25th April 05.45

*all defence families, friends and the whole of
the community are warmly invited to attend*

.... breakfast will follow the service



*We Will
Remember
Them*



Lest We Forget

Bake Sale

*Fundraising for
the Kingston
House of
Courage*

THIS

Sunday 19th April

After 9:30am Mass

Our Lady Help of
Christians Church
HENDRA



Cash & Card accepted



BAPTISMAL JOY!! This Sunday at St Agatha's we welcome with great joy one new member of Christ's faithful people:

Hudson Hagell, son of Christopher and Madeleine

and at OLHC we warmly welcome **Joseph.**

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

INVITATION TO AN ANOINTING MASS

An invitation is extended to the people of the Archdiocese to attend the monthly Anointing Mass at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 1st May at 7.30pm.

Fr. Anthony Odionyenfe, PP, The Gap Parish, will be the celebrant. The Sacrament of Anointing will be administered during the Mass and further prayer ministry will be available after Mass.

For more information, contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or by email to lenpatairey@gmail.com.

Sponsored by CCR Bardon.



Project Compassion Sunday THANK YOU!!

If you still have your Project Compassion boxes or donation envelopes at home, please return them as soon as possible, so that invoices can be issued. Thank you.



What is Alpha?

an exploration of big questions about
Faith ? Life? Meaning?

<https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=alpha+promo+ad&mid=604CD78A0D83F012423F604CD78A0D83F012423F&FORM=VIRE>

Please contact hendra@bne.catholic.net.au if you would like to be involved in Alpha, either as a participant or a team member.

URGENT APPEAL FOR MORE DEDICATED ADORERS

Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament is available to everyone from 9am to 5pm every Tuesday at Our Lady Help of Christians. Nocturnal adoration is available to registered adorers from 5am Tuesdays through to 8.30am Wednesdays. However, in order to continue this, **we require more dedicated adorers to commit to a weekly Holy Hour on the roster.**

- ◆ Hours that need two permanent adorers are:
Tuesdays 9am and 3pm
- ◆ Hours that need a second permanent adorer are:
Tuesdays 5am, 6am, 8am, 12pm, 4pm, 6pm

If these hours are not filled, then it will not be possible to continue to offer Exposition and Adoration to everyone during the day. Please contact Colina via email at northside.adoration.bn@gmail.com or contact the Parish Office for registration information.

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

WALK WITH JESUS



2PM SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2026

For more event information including donations please scan QR Code or contact

inclusion@bne.catholic.net.au



Procession starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns, benediction and the Migrant Jubilee Cross, with proceedings led by Archbishop Shane Mackinlay.



CORPUSCHRISTIBRISBANE.COM

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School

We wish all our staff, students, families and community a safe and restful holiday.



Marie-Louise Stolberg Assistant to the Principal in Religious Education

St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

ANZAC Day Liturgy and March

This year commemorates the 111th anniversary of the Gallipoli landing on 25/04/1915, a defining chapter in Australia's history. Our school community will gather for a special liturgy to honour the bravery and sacrifice of our ANZACs, reflecting on their lasting legacy of courage and service. Students and staff are warmly invited to join the march at Kalinga Park as we come together in remembrance and gratitude.



Wishing you all a safe and restful holiday. Take care and may God's peace and blessings be with you and your families.

Take care and God Bless

Jon Tracey Assistant Principal Religious

GROWTH · FRIENDSHIP · FAITH

St Agatha's Primary

8.45am to 10am

Open Day

1 May | Clayfield



Discover our school



**A Brisbane Catholic
Education School**

BCE Open Week

God's lighter side... A Sunday school teacher was teaching the Ten Commandments to her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "honour thy father and thy mother," she asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" One little boy shouted, "Thou shall not kill."

Sunday Mass Rosters

Date	Reader Clayfield 8am Mass	Reader Clayfield 5:30pm Mass	Reader OLHC 9:30am Mass	Eucharistic Minister OLHC 9:30am Mass
19 April	Beth Casey Matthew Crossley	Louis Currie Catie Kelly	Trish Dunn Kathryn Bourke	Lorelei Gozzard Louise Nott
26 April	Jane Arkinstall Saxon Mew	Karen Birtles Joel Perkins	Paul McLean Rosemary Woods	Dona Rotolone Robyn Jaynes

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

26 APRIL 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10



Commemoration of Saints

April 2026

Tues 28 St Peter Chanel, *priest, martyr*

Wed 29 St Catherine of Siena, *virgin, doctor*

May 2026

Sat 2 St Athanasius, *bishop, doctor*

Thurs 14 St Matthias, *apostle*

Mon 25 Our Lady, Help of Christians

Tues 26 St Philip Neri, *priest*

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:

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/>



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: We can hear the Lord's call in the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do?"

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Items for inclusion in this Newsletter - Cut off 1:00pm Tuesday.

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