



Together in Faith & Mercy

NEWSLETTER FOR THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF
CLAYFIELD • HENDRA • HAMILTON • NORTHGATE



ALL SAINTS (YEAR A)

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Today we celebrate the memory of all the baptised who have gone before us and whose lives were virtuous. The saints of God are all those who have been baptised into Christ, who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb. We all know people

whose lives were steeped in genuine holiness. The life of every one of us has been blessed by their goodness. This is a day for us to remember and to celebrate their holiness. We celebrate the lives of all those who have been marked with the sign of faith, those who have been canonised by the church, those whom we have known personally as well as those whose names we do not know.

In the beatitudes listed in today's gospel we are given examples of what it means to live lives of holiness. This gospel really does not present a blueprint for holiness. Rather, it offers a series of snapshots that demonstrate the holiness that is ours by virtue of our baptism. Those who have gone before us lived such lives. Today, as we remember them, we hold up their lives as examples of holiness and models for our imitation. The sentiments that are expressed and the commitment that it illustrated in the beatitudes clearly stand in opposition to the standards of the world. Their radicality may be more than some can understand, but they are traits that are recognisable by those who belong to the family of God, for they are genuine godly traits.

ST JOHN'S NORTHGATE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION



A Community Consultation regarding the future development of the St John's hall was held on 30 September 2026. The Information Document, Community Consultation Summary and Feedback Form are available on the parish website. Parishioners and community members are encouraged to review the information

NOVEMBER MASSES - BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

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



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 1 November

8.00am Mass Morning tea hosted by:
Marie Deuble, Judy and Paul Bartels, Jane Cameron
5.30pm Mass



St Agatha's Parish Messages....

- Children's Liturgy **THIS Sunday 1 November**

PINK OCTOBER RAFFLE
Raffle drawn **THIS Sunday 1 November**.



St Agatha's Catholic Primary School

ST AGATHA'S OPEN DAY

FRIDAY 6 November 2026

8.45AM – 10AM

DISCOVER WHAT ST AGATHA'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL CAN
OFFER YOUR FAMILY

REGISTER YOUR
INTEREST VIA THIS LINK



Family Mass

Sunday 8 November, 8am followed by morning tea

Email Sandra: cantaruttis@bne.catholic.net.au

What's happening in MOM Parish

Sunday 1 November

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

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

1 November: Lorelei Gozzard **8 November:** Kerrie Fernicola



MOM Parish Messages....

- Eucharistic Adoration will resume NEXT Tuesday 3 November.
- MOM Prayer Engine will resume Tuesday 10 November.
- **Group Study of NEXT Sunday's readings:** Sundays 11.00 - 11.45am (Parish Centre). All welcome.
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word (OLHC)** **THIS Sunday 1 November.**
- **Prayer Support** **THIS Sunday 1 November** after the 9.30am Mass at OLHC Church, Hendra.
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday 6 November after the 9:00am Mass at St John's, Northgate. Morning tea after Mass. All welcome.
- **Anointing and Healing Mass:** Friday 13 November at the 9:00am Mass at St John's, Northgate. Morning tea after Mass. All welcome.
- **Gospel Reflection Group:** Please note there will be **NO** Gospel Reflection Group on Tuesday 3 November. The next one will be held on Tuesday 1 December.

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

Together we pray for ...

Recently deceased: James Green

Anniversaries: Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell DD, Sr Kathleen Lee SGS, Timothy Vallence, Thomas Duffy, Paul Barbeler, Msgr Jerome O'Rourke, Sheelagh Rutherford, Ann Potts, Judith Shaw, Joyce Neilson, Norah Smith

Sick: Renee Wheeler, Thesia Wheeler, Patrick Ringold, Luke Manicaros, Xavier Douglas, James Mort, John D, Peter Francis Johnson, Margaret Donelan, Greg Donelan, Brad Ryan, Betty Mahoney, Rosaria Fazio, Michael Hardy, Maria Ward

Our Lady Help of Christians Church
invites you to...



"Christmas on the Green"

Sunday 13 December 2026

5pm

On the lawn behind the church, Bowman Street, Hendra.
Come and join us for Christmas Carols at a joyous
Christmas celebration.

Wear festive gear in red or green!

Sausage sizzle provided from 5-6pm

Just bring all your family – and a blanket or chairs for your comfort,
your esky, drinks, and extra food or snacks you may wish to bring
for your family.



St John's

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY
WAR MEMORIAL CHURCH

688 NUDGE ROAD NORTHGATE

*is holding a Remembrance Day Service
on the 11th of the 11th 2026*

commencing at 10.30 am and concluding at 11.00 am
with a minute silence

Remembrance Day Service Prayers will be lead by
Royal Australian Navy Chaplin Jenny Schlausener

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

.... a morning tea will follow the service



TO ALL VOLUNTEERS OF MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH (Our Lady Help of Christians, St Cecilia's and St John's)

You are cordially invited to a Volunteer Social Evening

Friday 20 November 6.00 - 8.00 pm | Parish Centre

RSVP: Friday 13 November via the QR Code or contact the Parish Office 3268 3040.

Please advise of any dietary requirements.



**Saturday 31 October to Friday 6 November
we warmly welcome:**

St Cecilia's Saturday 4.30pm Mass: Monsignor John Grace
St Agatha's Sunday 8am Mass: Father John Gillen
OLHC Sunday 9.30am Mass: Monsignor John Grace
St Agatha's Sunday 5.30pm Mass: Father John Zhao
OLHC Monday 8.45am All Souls: Monsignor John Grace
OLHC Wednesday 8.45am Mass: Father John Zhao
St Agatha's Thursday 9am Mass: Father John Sullivan
St John's Friday 9am Mass: Father John Sullivan

HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE ANOINTING MASS

Month of the Holy Souls

Are there patterns of sin and/or trauma in your family or family tree? Bring your family tree Genogram to the healing power of Jesus in the Eucharist at the Anointing Mass to be held at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, on Friday, 6th November at 7.30pm. Fr. William Aupito Luliano will be the celebrant. Preparation information for the Mass, a prayer and a Genogram are available on the CCR Bardon website www.ccrbardon.org.au under "Resources: Event Resources: Healing of the Family Tree Mass" The information and Genogram will also be available at the Church on the night. The Genograms will be brought to the Altar as part of the Offertory. Additional personal prayer for healing will be available after Mass.

For further information contact Len Airey.
Email: lenpatairey@gmail.com or
0421 977 849.



Join us for **The Christmas Story Through Carols: A Journey to Bethlehem** on **19 December 2026, at St Agatha's Church**. Whether you sing, play an instrument, can help at the Christmas Market, contribute baked goods, or simply want to lend a hand, there is a place for everyone.



**Scan the QR code to
learn more and register
your interest.**



ALL SOULS DAY MASS AT PINNAROO CEMETERY



You are welcome to join the Zillmere Parish at a Mass dedicated to your deceased family and friends on All Souls Day, **4pm Monday 2nd November, at Pinnaroo Cemetery**. Mass will be celebrated under the

shade of the trees in the clearing opposite Section 22. There is ample parking space nearby. Bring your own chairs or a mat to sit on the grass. **Don't forget** your umbrella, water, insect repellent and sunscreen for your comfort.

When we pray for deceased souls in a Church or at a grave site, we can gain a plenary or partial indulgence under the conditions of prayers offered for the Pope's intentions, going to Confession and Receiving Holy Communion. Indulgences can be offered for your deceased loved one if you wish.

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

Sunday 29th November to play games such as Balderdash / Scattergories / Pictionary / Articulate / Herd Mentality.

BYO drinks & optional snacks to share.

Our last gathering for the year.

No need to RSVP. If you have questions, ask Lynn / Dave / Joe / Ash / Kathleen / Louise.



PASTORAL CARE IN HOSPITALS – Centacare is seeking people interested in volunteering once each week to provide pastoral and spiritual care to Catholic patients in our public hospitals in our strongly established teams. The people we are seeking must have a qualification or significant background in a human service discipline with some level of formal theological training. If you are retired, or semi-retired from such a career, in very good health and have one morning per week available for a most rewarding volunteer role in the spirit of the Gospel, please talk further with me with no obligation.

E: judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au Mob: 0428 669 572

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PRIMARY SCHOOL, Hendra

As we begin Week 4, we join schools and communities across the country in celebrating Children's Week. This year's theme reminds us that every child has the right to use their own language, celebrate their culture, and practise their religion. It is a timely opportunity to affirm the dignity of every child and to encourage them to express their unique gifts with confidence and joy.

This week we also acknowledge World Teachers' Day. Pope Leo recently described teaching as a "work of mercy", recognising the profound role educators play in helping young people grow, think critically, and develop informed consciences. We give thanks for the dedicated teachers and staff who serve our school community each day with faith, generosity and care.

On Friday we mark Day for Daniel, a day that highlights the importance of child safety. Students and staff are invited to wear a splash of red as we continue important conversations about recognising unsafe situations, reacting appropriately, and reporting concerns. Together, we can help create a safe and supportive environment for all children.

May God bless our children, teachers and families throughout the week ahead.

Many blessings

Lizbeth Iles Acting Assistant Principal Religious Education

ST AGATHA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, Clayfield

Faith, Joy and Community in Action

Our school community has much to celebrate and look forward to. Next Friday, 6 November, we welcome new families to our Open Day, with school tours led by our senior students. Our Book Fair in the library also offers a wonderful opportunity to nurture a love of reading.

As Catholic Mission Month concludes, we offer heartfelt thanks to our students, families and parish friends for their prayers and generosity. Together, we raised \$1,511 to support families in Malawi—a meaningful expression of our faith in action.

Our St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal is now underway, inviting us to share the hope and joy of Christmas with local families in need. We warmly thank our parent coordinators, Kate and Katrina, for supporting this important outreach.

During Wellbeing Week later this term, our P & F Colour Run on Friday 20 November will bring students together for fun and friendship, followed by a whole-school disco in the Presentation Centre.

Thank you for the many ways you help our school and parish community live the Gospel through generosity, care and welcome.

Many blessings

Jon Tracey Assistant Principal Religious

Sunday Mass Rosters

Date	Reader Clayfield 8am Mass	Reader Clayfield 5:30pm Mass	Reader OLHC 9:30am Mass	Eucharistic Minister OLHC 9:30am Mass
1 November	Paul Bartels Scott Fitzpatrick	Chris Begley Louis Currie	Neville Canham Mary Nicholls	Robyn Jaynes Barbara Nelson
8 November	Family Mass	Karen Birtles Catie Kelly	Serena Varendorff Trish Dunn	Kate McLean Lorelei Gozzard

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: 100029170

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: 100029160

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



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: Our Vocation is to be a Saint, imitating Christ with our lives as an example to others. Whose intercession will you ask for today in pursuing this goal?

Contact Vocation Brisbane.

P: (07) 3336 9392

E: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au

W: <https://vocationbrisbane.com/>



The Archdiocese
of Brisbane

Safeguarding Commitment

The Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services.

The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

+ *Shane Mackinlay*
Most Reverend Shane Mackinlay
Archbishop of Brisbane



NEXT SUNDAYS' READINGS 2026

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13



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

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