Mother of Mercy Parish

Living and Growing in the Spirit

St John's church
688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate

Our Lady Help of Christians
9 Bowman St, Hendra

St Cecilia's church
30 College St, Hamilton

PARISH MISSION

To co-create a welcoming community where all can encounter and be transformed by Christ, realise their call to discipleship, be empowered to serve, and attract new disciples.

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Weekend Masses: See listing of Masses on Page 4
Weekday Mass: **Friday 9:00am St John's, Northgate**
Reconciliation/Confession: By appointment

We acknowledge the Jagera and Turrbal people, 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 .

What's happening in the Parish this week?

Sunday 29 May - Saturday 4 June 2022

Sun	**Morning tea after 9am Mass (OLHC Hendra)**
Sun	***Coffee Divina* 10:45am (OLHC Parish Centre)**
Tues	**Prayer Engine 1:00-2:30pm (OLHC Hendra)**
	4pm Rehearsal - Confirmation (OLHC Hendra)
Fri	**9:00am Mass at St John's (Northgate)**
	Sacrament of Confirmation 6pm (OLHC Hendra)

Have a great week ahead

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
29 MAY 2022

29-5-2022 – The Ascension of the Lord

Hi all,
It's a big week of Sacrament's for both parishes. Over the next two weekends at the 5pm Sat and 9am Sun Masses at St Agatha's, children are receiving their First Holy Communion.

At Mother of Mercy Parish, the children and parents will be reflecting on Saturday at their Confirmation retreat at Holy Spirit Seminary. The children will receive Confirmation on the Friday before Pentecost Sunday.

I like to thank Chantale, Tash and Emma (Evangelisation Brisbane – EB), Teresa Gittens (Sacramental Co-ordinator), Jake Knowles, Kim Waters (APRE's), Peter Bowden (Sacristan), Rosemary, Monica, and Helen (Parish staff) and all our helpful volunteers who have helped with Information night's, formation sessions, liturgies, rehearsals, retreats, registrations and admin. Congrats to all the families. Please keep forming yourselves and your children in the faith!!

This photo was taken from St John's Northgate in the old School Chapel today.
1 Timothy 1:15
*"Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ **Jesus came** into the world **to save** sinners—of whom I am the worst."* Rest in peace possum!

Here's a link to this week's Two Minute Homily from Fr Bryan Roe. https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/articles/the-ascension-of-the-lord-two-minute-homily-fr-bryan-roe/

Here's a podcast on the Ascension and Pentecost. PODCAST | Witnesses to the Ends of the Earth - St. Josemaria Institute (stjosemaria.org).

Have a wonderful Ascension!! **Blessings Fr Nev, Deacon Peter and Fr James**

****CHANGE OF DATE**—DATE CLAIMER**

PATHWAY TO THE FUTURE

An assembly of all parishioners of the parish to hear what is proposed for a future parish pathway. These meetings will outline key timelines, essential aspects of the plan, and provide a feedback loop. **A new date will be confirmed for mid- June at each Mass Centre.** We apologise for the unforeseen delay.

Parish Messages.....

Sacramental Journey News

Sacrament of Confirmation: Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to be strengthened with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation will take place on Friday 3 June at 6pm. Every blessing, Teresa | Sacramental Coordinator pmc.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au

COFFEE DIVINA: Join us as we enjoy a coffee and learn to explore scripture using the *Lectio Divina* method. We'll be focussing on the following Sunday's readings. **Parish Centre 10:45-11:45 am** (stay on after the Community Cuppa or come along just for this). All welcome !! **Dates: Sundays between Easter and Pentecost (24/4 – 29/5/22)**

MASKS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED BUT STILL RECOMMENDED WHENEVER YOU CANNOT SOCIALLY DISTANCE.

PLEASE NOTE

Changes to Weekday Masses at St Agatha's and Mother of Mercy Parishes (as of Monday 9 May)

Thursday 9am St Agatha's (52 Oriel Road, Clayfield)

Friday 9am St John's Northgate (688 Nudgee Road, Northgate)

THE 2022 ANNUAL RACING MASS will be celebrated next Sunday at Our Lady Help of Christians Church at 9am. We will offer refreshments after Mass. We would be grateful if parishioners could kindly bring a contribution to morning tea. Please deliver your plate to the Parish Centre before Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

Walking in the Spirit— The People of God are invited to make a prayerful journey towards the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council through the Walking in the Spirit prayer campaign. Walking in the Spirit began on Easter Sunday, April 17, and runs until the Second Assembly, which opens on Sunday, July 3. Resources have been created for use by individuals, families, schools, parishes and other Catholic communities. Find out more at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit

POSITIONS VACANT — Brisbane Archdiocese

Assistant Sacristan—Cathedral of St Stephen
The position is a part-time — 25 hours per week. This position provides assistance to the Sacristan in the preparation of liturgical events within the Cathedral. **Applications close: 31 May 2022**

Parish Secretary—Lutwyche Parish
The position is a part-time — 21 hours a week over 4 days per week (Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri). **Applications close: 1 June 2022**

Funeral Director's Assistant—Holy Cross Funerals
The position is a casual position. **Applications close: 3 June 2022**

Youth Minister—Jubilee Parish
A casual position working with the Youth Ministry Coordinator to evangelise young people in the parish community. **Applications close 10 June 2022**

For additional information on all positions, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website — https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/ and to careers.

Parish Activities

Parish School Playgroup **Currently operating each week during school terms** and held in the OLHC School Hall, 23 Bowman St, Hendra, every Friday (during School Terms) 9:00am-11:30am (babies to Prep). All welcome. **For enquiries, please call the OLHC School Office 3268 3070.**

Parish Spirituality Group: The group meet once a month to discuss the gospel reading for the next Sunday. For enquiries call 3268 3040.

Mother of Mercy Parish *Prayer Engine* of the Parish: This prayer group prays for the intentions of the parish and the personal intentions of parishioners who request it. Prayer intentions can be place in the special baskets at each of the churches, Parish Office and School Office foyer. **The Prayer Engine will meet at OLHC Church, Hendra every Tuesday, from 1:00-2:30pm.** All are welcome to join in prayer!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of the month after the 9:30am Mass at St John's, Northgate. All welcome.

Anointing and Healing Mass: Second Friday of the month at 9:30am at St John's, Northgate. All welcome.

Portofino Mass: Fourth Thursday 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.

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Adoration from 6am to 6pm every Saturday commencing next Saturday 14 May. Please visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for one hour. Entry to the Church is via Bowman St side door. **For enquires please contact Julie Anne 0418 183 235 or Pat 0411 597 781.**

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

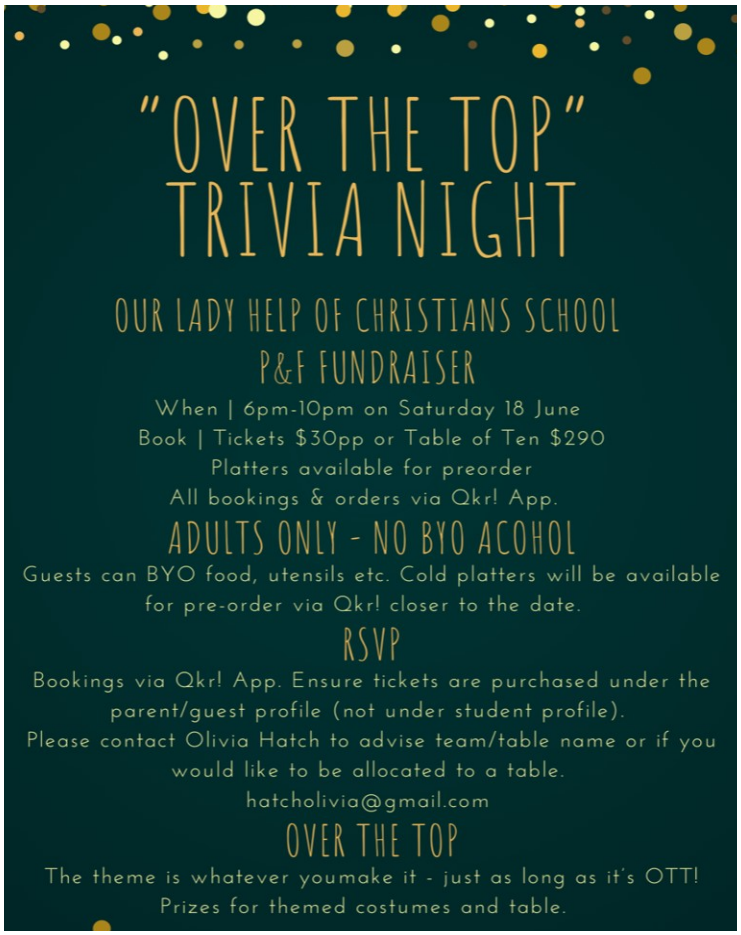
FEAST DAY: On Tuesday we celebrated our school Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians. Thank you to Year 2 for leading us so beautifully in this celebration.

CROSS COUNTRY: Catholic Zone Cross Country Carnival has been postponed to 3 June. Congratulations to those selected. We wish those students all the very best for their races and I look forward to hearing about successful performances and outstanding sportsmanship.

CONFIRMATION: Next Friday, many of our Year 3 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Their preparation has been a very special experience and we keep them in our prayers as they embark on this next phase of their spiritual journey..

Have a great week ahead.

Regards, ***Adam Bennie*** *Principal*



APPEALS — Thank you to everyone who generously donated to our recent appeals. These are the total amounts raised -
PROJECT COMPASSION $1,019.00 **HOLY LAND APPEAL $795.90**

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP—Australian Pilgrimage

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, ***"In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"*** commencing in Melbourne 18 October 2022, journeying through Victoria and South Australia and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022.

For any questions and provision of an itinerary and application form, contact **Annie Bond rsj** at national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or 02 8912 4818.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

Mother of Mercy Parish and the Archdiocese of Brisbane are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of each person is the responsibility of every adult.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguarding-sunday

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

5 June 2022
PENTECOST SUNDAY

First Reading: Gen 11:1-9
Second Reading: Rom 8:22-27
Gospel: John 7:37-39

Commemoration of Saints

Tues 24 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed 25 Saint Justin, *martyr*
Fri 27 Saint Charles Lwanga & companions, *martyrs*

PRAY FOR US.....

WE PRAY FOR....

The Recently Deceased: Sofia Marmotta, Donald Thompson

Anniversaries: Maureen Mason, Kathleen Margaret Bright, Doreen Alice Barry, Margaret Anne (Meg) Kanowski, Edith Cavell Archer, Darcy John Brown, Patricia Agnes Dowde

The Sick: Monica Johnson, Del McHugh, Karen McHugh, Val Walsh, Carole and Gordon Hodge, Frank McHugh, Trevor Gozzard, Harvey Delacour, Nick Newton, Theresa Claffey, Mary Gilmer, Salustia Zavaleta, Brenda Gueizelar, Robert Montalegre, Gloria Morris (sister of Elaine Eneberg), Charlie Richards, Naomi Garden, Huynh Giang, Ann Wall, Carmel Bates, Margaret Hill-Lewis, Heather Skinner, Fiona Brogan, May Donaldson, Keith Wiskar, Leanne Gracie, John Conroy, Norm Mancini, Anthony Hallin, Br Tom Dempsey, Michael Hardy, Brad Ryan, David Edmunds, Betty Mahony, Michael Hand, Joan Murphy, June Thompson, Stephen Jones, Jan O'Donoghue, Josepha Garnier, Peta Ziegenfusz.

ST IGNATIUS' WOMEN'S NIGHT OF SPIRITUALITY

St Ignatius' Women's Night of Spirituality presents Joan Chittister osb for the Toowong Parish's annual event celebrating women's spirituality.

Joan Chittister is a practical theologian and renowned author who has much to say on women's spirituality. Joan has written more than 50 books, including the recent *The Time is Now.* Joan's books will be available for purchase and she will sign books following the event.

When: Friday 3 June 2022 **Time**: 7—9pm (AEST)
Where: Stuartholme School Chapel, 365 Birdwood Terrace, Toowong.
Tickets: $35 each (Early Bird Special: $30 , for purchases until 30/4/2022).
Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BYQTJ

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VOCATION VIEW: Our Spiritual Life is a Journey - following the Call of the Master to "Go and teach all people my Gospel." Say "Yes" over and over again. Please pray for vocations!

To talk to someone about your vocation, please make contact with—
Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544
vocation@bne.catholic.net.au
vocationbrisbane.com

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Items for inclusion in this Newsletter
Please email or write out to: hendra@bne.catholic.net.au
Cut Off Deadline - 1:00pm Tuesday.

DONATIONS TO THE 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 your receipt to: finance.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au after your payment has been made.

Another way to donate easily is via the **PARISH GIVING APP**

http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au

PARISH GIVING Donate Here | Available on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

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.

MASS REGISTRATION AT MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH

Masks are no longer mandatory but we ask everyone please maintain social distancing particularly when entering/exiting the church and when going to Communion. Please sanitise hands on entry to the churches please.

Weekend Masses:

- **Saturday 4:30pm—St Cecilia's, Hamilton**
- **Saturday 6:00pm—Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra**
- **Sunday 7:30am—St John's, Northgate**
- **Sunday 9:00am—Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra**

Friday Mass—9:00am at St John's, Northgate

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