

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 4 September- Saturday 10 September
2022**

Sun Morning tea after 9am Mass
(OLHC Hendra)

Tue Prayer Engine 1:00-2:30pm (OLHC Hendra)

Fri 9:00am Mass at St John's (Northgate)



*Have a great
week ahead*



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4 SEPTEMBER 2022

Hi all,

Thanks to all those attended and shared at the **Parish**

Consultation Feedback Meetings on Sunday and Thurs. If you

didn't get a chance to attend you can watch the consultation live

on this link: <https://youtu.be/2ads3fxNxm8>. Bishop Ken spoke to

us on Sunday afternoon and addressed one of the more challenging aspects of change – the

Mass times. His eight minute address can viewed here: <https://youtu.be/H6kA0eng63Q>.



In discussions with the two pastoral councils, **5 possible Mass schedule options** have been developed for your feedback. Please take a moment to read the first section of the survey which provides a context and rationale for the options provided. The survey can be filled out on paper copies which will be provided at the back of each Church, or via online survey which can be accessed here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8Z2S2YJ>. Check out the QR Code in the newsletter too.

Wishing all our fathers, grand-fathers and great -grandfathers, step fathers and spiritual fathers a wonderful **Father's Day**. Here's a couple of Fatherhood links

<https://www.the-father-hood.com/>

<https://momentumaustralia.org/fatherhood/>

<https://mensline.org.au/being-a-dad/>

Praise Those Fathers

Let us praise those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice.

Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a worthy and virtuous father.

Let us praise those fathers who, by their own account, were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. As well, let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by words and actions of their children.

Let us praise those fathers who, despite marital discord, have remained in their children's lives.

Let us praise those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has nurtured a thriving life.

Let us praise those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their step children's love and respect.

Let us praise those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart.

Let us praise those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own.

Let us praise those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides.

Let us praise those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.

And let us praise those fathers who have died, but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

- Prayer of Kirk Loadman adapted by Debra Mooney, PhD

Blessings Fr Nev

Parish Messages.....

2022 Annual Catholic Campaign

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generosity and support of the 2022 Annual Catholic Campaign. Your gift helps educate future priests, care for unwell priests, ensures children from families in hardship have access to Catholic education, and reaches out to our neighbours in vulnerable circumstances.



Father's Day

Mother of Mercy Community Life and Hospitality team invite you to celebrate all fathers this Sunday 4 September after the 9am Mass at OLHC. Come along for a coffee and a bacon and egg roll.

FUTURE OF THE PARISH

Thank you to everyone who attended the feedback and proposal sessions last Sunday and Thursday.

The survey can be completed online, either by scanning the QR code below, or clicking the link. Paper copies of the survey will also be available at each Church this weekend.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8Z2S2YJ>



The survey will be open for the next three weekends, and will close on Monday 19 September. We hope to be able to announce a new Mass schedule to the four communities the following week, with the new Mass schedule to take effect in late October.

Thank you for your engagement in this process, and let's pray for God's wisdom in our deliberations.



Listen to the Voice of Creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The Burning Bush
Ex 3:1-12

The Season of Creation runs from the World Day of Prayer for Care and Creation— 1 September— to the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi— October 4. It is a time set aside each year to focus on God's gift of creation and our responsibility to care for it, our common home.

The sweet song of creation invites us to practise an "ecological spirituality: (Laudato Si', 216), attentive to God's presence in the natural world. It is a summons to base our spirituality on the "loving awareness that we are not disconnected from the rest of creatures, but joined in a splendid universal communion" (ibid., 220)

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.

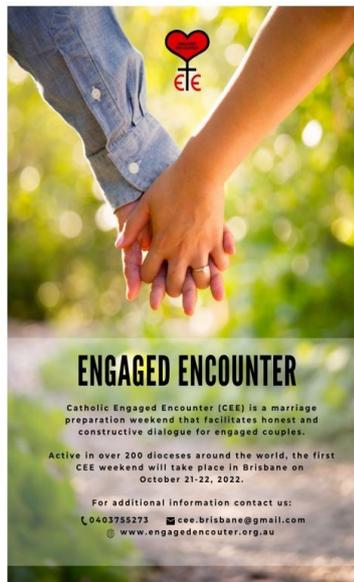
Mother of Mercy Parish Prayer Engine of the Parish: This prayer group prays for the intentions of the parish and the personal intentions of parishioners. Prayer intentions can be placed in the special baskets at each of the churches and Parish Office. **The Prayer Engine will meet at OLHC Church, Hendra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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of the month after the 9:00am Mass at St John's, Northgate. All welcome.

Anointing and Healing Mass: Second Friday of the month at 9:00am at St John's, Northgate. All welcome.



SATURDAY ADORATION: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Saturday from 6am-6pm at OLHC Hendra for personal prayer. Entry to the Church is via the Bowman St side door. Please sign in and out. **For enquires, please contact Julie Anne on 0418 193 235 or Pat on 0411 597 781.**



ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE) is a marriage preparation weekend that facilitates honest and constructive dialogue for engaged couples.

Active in over 200 dioceses around the world, the first CEE weekend will take place in Brisbane on October 21-22, 2022.

For additional information contact us:
t 0403755273 e cee.brisbane@gmail.com
www.engagedencounter.org.au



Are you seeking some spiritual direction or spiritual accompaniment?

There is a list of directors on offer in the Archdiocese and these can be accessed easily via the web-site.

[https://
brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/
spiritual-direction/](https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/spiritual-direction/)

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

As we move towards the end of Term Three there are some wonderful school and community events for us to celebrate the success of our children and the strength of our community. Thank you all for your continued support. Stay safe and enjoy the start of Spring.



OLHC P&F Long Lunch: What a fantastic event last Saturday. Final numbers are still being calculated but it looks like we raised upwards of \$15 000 during this event. A wonderful achievement and valuable funds to contribute to some projects around the school.

First Holy Communion: On Sunday, Benny, Charlotte, Liliana, Billy and Theo, received their First Holy Communion. They have been preparing with their families and the parish for several weeks. As a school community, we pray that the Eucharist is a source of life and strength in their journey of faith. Congratulations on completing your initiation into the Catholic Church.

Prep 2023: This week we welcomed most of our 2023 Prep students for a play in the Nature Play Space. It was wonderful to have the children, and their families, here with us as they begin their transition into school.

Kind Regards,

Adam Bennie Principal

Observe in Faith, Reflect with Courage, Improve through Action

GRACE OF BAPTISM RETREAT Mother of Mercy Parish

Presented by members of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, Brisbane Mission Team. A group of lay people whose mission is to "Foster a personal conversion and relationship with Jesus Christ through the release of the Holy Spirit."



St John's Church, 688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate. Saturday 1st October 2022. 9:30am – 4pm BYO Lunch. Morning & afternoon tea provided.
Programme

- How precious we are in Christ — Exploring the grace of Baptism and who we are in Christ Jesus
- Starting afresh with Jesus — Contemplating the face of Jesus; Encountering the Holy Spirit; Surrender
- Understanding gifts of the Spirit— Overview of the gifts, the sanctifying gifts and the charismatic gifts
- The healing touch of God and prayer for the release of the Holy Spirit
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Short liturgy. Reflective prayer.

Registration: (Ann Perkins) – Phone or text (0424 904 579)
A love offering will be taken up to cover costs.

RETREAT DAY SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER (Sponsored by the Knights of the Southern Cross)

Saturday 24th September in Nolan Hall, Leslie St, Nundah, adjacent to Corpus Christi Church. The retreat theme is 'The Smell of the Sheep', conducted by Br. Damien Price.
Morning tea (supplied) at 10am. The day concludes before 3pm.
BYO lunch. Tea and coffee provided.
For info and booking contact: John James 0459 950 070, John Carr 07 3266 1119 or Tom Cusack 07 3260 5671.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

to be celebrated by
Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary or more are invited to attend, together with family and friends

Saturday 24th September 2022
11:30am

RSVP: Wednesday 21st September
email: cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au
telephone: 3324 3030

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

11 September 2022

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14
Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17
Gospel: Lk 15:1-10



Commemoration of Saints

Sat 3 Saint Gregory the Great, pope, doctor **MEMORIAL**
Thu 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary **FEAST**



PRAY FOR US.....

WE PRAY FOR....



The Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Andrew Gregory "Greg" Walsh, Doris Grimley, Janice Mary Moriarty, Patricia Lane, Vladislava Kozlovskis, Veronica Standfield

The Sick: Mary McNulty, Rosario Fazio, Monica Johnson, Alison Leis, 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.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be held at the
9am Mass at OLHC Church on:

Sunday 11th September

All children are welcome. Please bring
along your children, grandchildren and
godchildren.

We can't wait to see you there!

VOCATION VIEW: You have one precious life to give. How do you choose to offer it to God? Be willing to accept the challenges of discipleship. (Luke 14:25-33)



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



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



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>



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

Please DO NOT attend Mass if you are UNWELL

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