



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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- ◆ **Compliance Officer:** Mrs Kath Shaw
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Weekend Masses: See listing of Masses on Page 2

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

Reconciliation/Confession: By appointment

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.

What's happening in the Parish this week?

Sunday 12 to Saturday 18 February 2023

- Sun** Morning tea after 9.30am Mass (OLHC Hendra)
- Tues** 1.00-2.30pm Parish Prayer Engine
- Fri** 9:00am Mass at St John's (Northgate)
- Fri** [Encounter Jesus](#) (Lenten morning reflection) 9am-12noon, Parish Centre, Hendra
- Sat** Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6am-5pm



Have a great week ahead



**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
12 FEBRUARY 2023**

12-2-23 - 6th Sun in Ord Time

Hi all,

This week, our Parish Council and Ministry Teams got together and we're excited to be organising a



**MOM Parish Ministry Teams Expo
in the Parish Centre
at 9:00am—11:30am, 5th March 2023.**



Happy World Marriage Day this weekend and St Valentine's Day this Tuesday. God's Blessings on all our couples whether just starting, in the middle of the road or towards their twilight years.

World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend Dates

30 June - July 2, 2023 - Live-out Weekend, McAuley College, Beaudesert
13 - 15 October, 2023 - Live-in Weekend, Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston

For more information, contact:

David & Maria Murphy
Phone: 0481 307 821
Email: qldbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

Blessings

Fr Nev

Parish Messages.....

Ash Wednesday Masses - 22nd February

Our Lady Help of Christians Church

8.45am - OLHC School and Parish Mass

St Agatha's Church

6.00pm

Stations of the Cross - St Agatha's Church

Every Thursday at 8.30am during Lent.

♦ MOM PARISH MINISTRY TEAMS EXPO—SUNDAY 5 MARCH

Ministry teams will host an expo to share with parishioners what they do in the parish. They will take feedback and suggestions for future planning. Teams include **Adult Formation, Youth, Children and Families, Inclusion, Service and Outreach and Liturgy**. Please come and have a cuppa and see what is happening in our Parish!

♦ **LECTIO DIVINA RESTART 2023! NEW TIME!** The first date will be **Sunday 26 February, 8.30am-9.15am, in the Parish Centre**, before the 9.30am family Mass at OLHC, Hendra. All are most welcome!

♦ **CONFIRMATION 2023:** Preparation for the sacrament will take place in Term 2. If you are interested in your child receiving this sacrament, please click on <https://mailchi.mp/603df035cef3/sacrament-of-confirmation-2023> to be added to the mailing list. If you are interested in your child being baptised or received into the Catholic Church, please contact me at pmc.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au God bless, Teresa Gittins | Sacramental Coordinator



♦ **FR RICHARD LEONARD** will be a Guest Speaker at Mother of Mercy Parish on **Monday 27 February at 7.00pm**. Fr Richard is a wonderful speaker, author and YouTuber and has written many books (eg *Where the Hell is God*) that are relevant and engaging. The event will be held in Xavier Place, OLHC Primary School, next to OLHC Church. Transport can be provided for those requiring assistance to attend. Open to all, family and friends most welcome!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Term 1

This term, Children's Liturgy will be held on **Sunday 12th Feb, Sunday 12 March and Sunday 26 March** at the 9.30am Mass at Hendra. We look forward to seeing you there!

What's It All About? This week we continue with **Part 2** of the 9 part series explaining the significance of Lent and Easter and the many practices, both liturgical and personal, that surround this time. Each Part will be attached separately. Look out for the articles in each week's newsletter (also attached to emails) and be inspired!!

Parish Activities

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

Parish Spirituality Group: The group meets at 9.30am on the first Tues of the month in the Parish Centre to discuss the gospel reading for the next Sunday.

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.** 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.

Portofino Mass: Fourth Wed 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.

SATURDAY ADORATION: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Saturday, including holiday times, from 6am—5pm at OLHC Hendra for personal prayer. Entry to the Church is via the Bowman St side door. Please sign in and out. For enquiries, please contact **Julie Anne on 0418 193 235 or Pat on 0411 597 781.**



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023

Taiwan

10.00am, Friday 3 March 2023

St Colombs Anglican Church

Victoria Street, Clayfield



For enquiries: Margaret 0438 193 460 or Mary 0408 080 723 (text preferred)

All are warmly invited to join this ecumenical service to pray for our overseas Christian Family and the people of Taiwan in particular.

Our Parish has been asked to bring a plate to share!

Aboriginal Catholic Mass

Do you remember, or if you don't, did you know of the historic celebration of a special Aboriginal Mass at the Eucharistic Congress in Melbourne in 1973? Friday, 24th February, 2023, marks the 50th anniversary of this remarkable event which was attended by some 30,000 people. Aboriginal singers and dancers from north and west of Australia took an active part in the original liturgy which broke new ground in the Church's liturgical renewal. To commemorate this occasion, Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of St Stephen on **Thursday, 23rd February, 2023, commencing at 12.30pm.** The Archbishop has granted special approval to use the revised liturgical texts from that original celebration. Please join us for this occasion.

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5.00pm Vigil: Our Lady Help of Christians Hendra

Sunday 8.00am Mass: St Agatha's Clayfield (Families Mass)

Sunday 9.30am Mass: Our Lady Help of Christians Hendra (Families Mass)

Sunday 5.30pm Mass: St Agatha's Clayfield (Youth Mass)

Fr James O'Donoghue has been asked to say the following Masses for the time being at:

Saturday 4.30pm St Cecilia's Hamilton

Sunday 7.30am St John's Northgate

WEEKDAY MASSES

Thursday 9.00am St Agatha's Clayfield

Friday 9.00am St John's Northgate

Please be considerate of mask wearing at this time.

Please DO NOT attend Mass if you are UNWELL

ENCOUNTER JESUS

How is your encounter with Jesus as we approach Lent?

Friday 17th February, 2023

9am-12pm

Join us for a morning of prayer and reflection with Lisa McKerr from Evangelisation Brisbane

Please RSVP to the Parish Office on 3268 3040
Please bring a small plate to share for morning tea

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

We have had a wonderful start to the year here at school with the children settling into routines very well, particularly our new Prep students.

During the holidays, there have been some staffing updates with **Katie Wilson** taking leave for the year to pursue other opportunities and our PE teacher, **Marian Carlton** retiring after long and distinguished career in education. We have welcomed new staff **Monica Pascoe** (Prep Green Teacher) and **Catherine Gentile** (School Officer Years 1-4). Next week Melanie Wright will commence as our new PE teacher.

A key date for next week:

Tuesday 14th February – P&F Meeting—Our first P&F meeting for the year. 7pm in the Staff room. All are welcome.

Kind Regards, **Adam Bennie** Principal
Observe in Faith, Reflect with Courage, Improve through Action



MEN'S BBQ/ GET TOGETHER

When: Saturday 25/2/23 6pm

Where: OLHC Parish Centre,
9 Bowman St Hendra.

Cost: \$10 to cover food

RSVP: Wednesday 22/2/23

Bill Nott 0418 183 400
Joel Perkins 0438 241 524



Guest Speaker: Deacon Peter Pellican

Topic:

Experiencing God: Becoming alive to God's presence
and discerning God's voice.



Lenten Concert Series

Each Thursday in March at 12 noon
in St Stephen's Cathedral

Come explore the 40-day journey of Lent
through music—featuring compositions
inspired by the key themes and scripture
readings of Lent.

A time of inspiration and reflection
before the 12.30pm Mass.

All welcome, free admission.



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.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

19 February 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

First Reading: Lev 19:1-2, 17-18

Second Reading: 1 Cor 3:16-23

Gospel: Mt 5:38-48



Commemoration of Saints

Tue 14 Feb **Saints Cyril and Methodius, monk, bishop** **MEMORIAL**

Sat 18 Sat **Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

PRAY FOR US.....



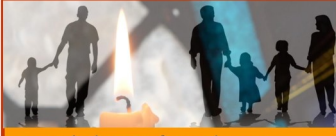
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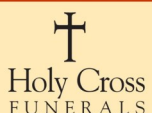
The Recently Deceased: Nil

Anniversaries: Angela Maree Smith-Barry, Hazel Agnes Messinbird, Betty Friedman, Barbara Mary Cottee, John Michael Sparre, Maria Helen Salmon, Rita Frances Surawski, Rita Bride Stower

The Sick: Paddy "Peter" Ryan, Lyn Smith, Cooper Price, Linda Farrell, Tina Watson, Mary Gilmer, Rosaria Fazio, Monica Johnson, Alison Leis, Val Walsh, Carole and Gordon Hodge, Frank McHugh, Trevor Gozzard, Nick Newton, Theresa Claffey, Salustia Zavaleta, Brenda Gueizelar, Robert Montalegre, Gloria Morris (sister of Elaine Eneberg), Charlie Richards, Naomi Garden, Huynh Giang, Ann Wall, Carmel Bates, Heather Skinner, Fiona Brogan, May Donaldson, Keith Wiskar, Leanne Gracie, John Conroy, Norm Mancini, Anthony Hallin, Br Tom Dempsey, Michael Hardy, David Edmunds, Betty Mahony, Michael Hand, Joan Murphy, June Thompson, Jan O'Donoghue, Josepha Garnier, Peta Ziegenfusz.



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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.

VOCATION VIEW: God in his wisdom predestined our glory before the ages began. Some people he predestines to be priests or religious - might you be one of them? Listen to the call!



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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Cut Off Deadline - 1:00pm Tuesday.



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