



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 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 March 2023

Sun 9.30am Morning tea after 9.30am Mass

**Tues 1.00-2.30pm Parish Prayer Engine
Stations of the Cross during Lent**

**Wed 9.30-11.00am—Lenten Spirituality Group
(Parish Centre)**

**Thu OLHC - Family Workshop 1 - Penance
(Parish Centre)**

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

Sat Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6am-5pm



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 12 MARCH 2023

12-3-23 – Third Sun in Lent

Hi all,




Congrats to all the volunteers at our first Parish Expo!! What an amazing turnout!! Thank you again to all the kids and families involved in the School supported Mass. I also threw in a photo taken a couple of weeks ago of our 1st anniversary of running hospitality after the 9:30am Mass. Well done particularly to the Community Life Team for making this a regular feature of our Sunday morning at OLHC!!

Blessings for another transformative week in Lent.

Fr Nev

Parish Messages.....

- ◆ **MOM PARISH MINISTRY TEAMS EXPO—THANK YOU** A very sincere thank you to all those who beautifully prepared and supported our Ministry teams Expo last Sunday. It was a wonderful opportunity to see our Parish teams and to consider which areas we might be able to support the work of our parish Community. **Thanks to all!**
- ◆ **FR JAMES O'DONOGHUE—30th Anniversary of Ordination**
All parishioners are warmly invited to celebrate Fr James' significant anniversary with refreshments after 4.30pm Mass at St Cecilia's next Saturday 18 March. Please bring a plate to share! Congratulations to Fr James for his anniversary day on 19th March!
- ◆ **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD—THIS SUNDAY 12 MARCH:** All children are invited to join us to learn more about Jesus and the Gospels in a fun and engaging way: **9.30am OLHC, Hendra** 
- ◆ **LECTIO DIVINA 2023:** Held each **Sunday in Lent—8.30-9.15am, in the Parish Centre**, before the 9.30am family Mass at OLHC, Hendra. All are most welcome!
- ◆ **LENTEN SPIRITUALITY GROUP:** The group will meet each Wednesday morning during Lent from 9.30-11.00am in the Parish Centre for Lenten prayer and reflection on the readings. All are very welcome!
- ◆ **PRAYER ENGINE—STATIONS OF THE CROSS EACH TUESDAY IN LENT COMMENCING 1.00PM**

2nd Rite of Reconciliation
7.00pm—Wednesday, 29 March 2023
St Agatha's Church, Clayfield

(Please note there will be no 2nd Rite of Reconciliation at MOM Parish—all are most welcome to join the St Agatha's community)



Sacramental Journey News

Penance

Please pray for the children in our parish who are commencing preparation for the sacrament of penance (reconciliation).

Confirmation

If your child is in Year 3 (or older) and has been baptised, they are invited to prepare the sacrament of Confirmation in Term 2. Please email Teresa at pmc.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au for more information. A Parent Preparation Session will be held on **Thursday, 30th March from 6pm-7pm at the Parish Centre, Hendra**. Please pass this information on to any families who may be interested. **Every Lenten blessing, Teresa | Sacramental Coordinator**

What's It All About? This week we continue with **Part 6** 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!!



Third Sunday of Lent
11 & 12 March



Priscilla lives in the Hwange district in Zimbabwe with her husband, Charles, and their two grandsons. Climate change continues to bring unprecedented challenges for people living in the most vulnerable and remote communities in Zimbabwe. With the support of Caritas Hwange, Priscilla learnt conservation farming skills to grow drought-resistant crops to support her family during the current food crisis.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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.**



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Join us for the principal gathering of the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2023.

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CHRISM MASS Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen on **Thursday 30th March 2023 commencing at 7.00pm.**

This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese and all are welcome.



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

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

Our next P&F meeting is on Tuesday 14th March at 7pm in the staff room. All are welcome.

Have a great week ahead. **Adam Bennie** Principal



Observe in **Faith**, Reflect with **Courage**, Improve through **Action**

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

19 MARCH 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

First Reading: 1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Second Reading: Eph 5:8-14

Gospel: Jn 9:1-41



POSITIONS VACANT IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

- Parish Secretary, Upper Mount Gravatt Wishart Parish <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/?ja-job=668931>
- Pastoral Associate, Grovely / Samford / Mitchelton Parish <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/?ja-job=667572>
- Administrative Support Officer, Evangelisation Brisbane <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/?ja-job=664539>
- Parish Coordinator, Holland Park Parish <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/?ja-job=661431>
- Funeral Director's Assistant, Holy Cross Funerals <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/?ja-job=660044>

Commemoration of Saints

Fri 17 Mar St Patrick, *bishop*

Sat 18 Mar St Cyril of Jerusalem
bishop, Doctor

PRAY FOR US.....



WE PRAY FOR....



The Recently Deceased: Nil

Anniversaries: Colin George Jackson, William Joseph Redmond, Colleen O'Brien, Phillis Catherine Sullivan, Dr Ernest Humphry Cramond, Yvonne Irene Brittan, John Gilfoyle Abrahams, Irvine Moncrief Felsman, Joan Eustelle Moroney

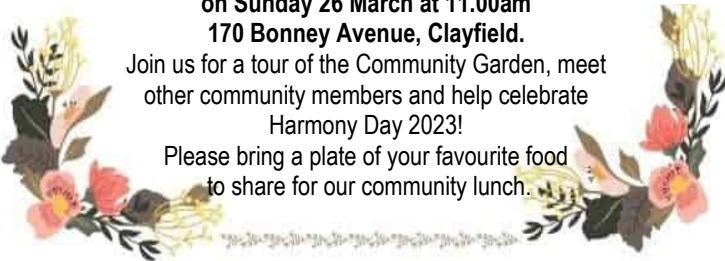
The Sick: Paddy "Peter" Ryan, Lyn Smith, Cooper Price, Linda Farrell, Tina Watson, Mary Gilmer, Rosaria Fazio, Monica Johnson, Alison Leis, Val Walsh, Carole and Gordon Hodge, Frank McHugh, Trevor Gozzard, Nick Newton, Theresa Claffey, Salustia Zavaleta, Brenda Gueizelar, Robert Montalegre, Gloria Morris (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.

The Clayfield Uniting Church, Community Garden and the Community Place invite you to celebrate

HARMONY WEEK 2023
on Sunday 26 March at 11.00am
170 Bonney Avenue, Clayfield.

Join us for a tour of the Community Garden, meet other community members and help celebrate Harmony Day 2023!

Please bring a plate of your favourite food to share for our community lunch.



LENTEN SERIES

2nd March

Christopher Trikilis (organ)

9th March

Ireni Utley (soprano)
Dominic Perissinotto (piano)

16th March

Dominic Perissinotto (organ)

23rd March

D'Arne Sleeman (soprano)
Dominic Perissinotto (organ)

30th March

Christopher Trikilis (organ)
Fr Scot Armstrong (violin)



The Cathedral of St Stephen

Lenten Concerts 2023
Thursdays at Noon

ALPHA AT MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH, HENDRA

Alpha is an opportunity for anyone, anywhere, to freely explore their unique questions about life, faith and God. The next Alpha program will be run on **Thursday evenings from 27 April from 6.30-8.30pm** in the Mother of Mercy Parish Centre and cater to current parishioners as well as those who wish to know more about Christianity.

We are currently recruiting extra volunteer team members for roles during the sessions, and others who may be willing to help provide some of the food for the meal/s. Please contact the Alpha Team via the Parish Office or via nottlot@bigpond.net.au if you would like to know more.

Please continue to pray about whether you might be a helper or participant and who you might invite.



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—10007977

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.

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.

VOCATION VIEW: Only the Lord can give true living water, the fullness of life. Our body cannot survive without water; our spirit cannot survive without living water. Now is the time to renew our lives in the waters and Spirit of Baptism.



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



Items for inclusion in this Newsletter

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