



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 26 to Saturday 1 April 2023

Sun 8.30-9.15am LECTIO DIVINA (Parish Centre)

9.30am Morning tea after 9.30am Mass

Tues 1.00-2.30pm Parish Prayer Engine (OLHC)

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Wed 9.30-11.00am—Lenten Spirituality Group

(Parish Centre)

Thu OLHC - Parent Preparation—CONFIRMATION

(Parish Centre)

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 26 MARCH 2023

26-3-23 – 5th Sun of Lent

Hi all,

Thanks St Cecilia's and St John's parishioners for celebrating Fr James' 30th Anniversary of Priesthood so well. Congrats Fr James on the wonderful milestone and all your ministries in Parish and the Hospital.



Fr James and I also attended the first Assembly of Catholic Professionals Lunch for 2023. Our guest speaker was the CEO of Caritas Australia Kirsty Robertson. Thank you again for your generosity to Project Compassion.

Blessings Fr Nev

Parish Messages.....

- ◆ **FR JAMES O'DONOGHUE—THANK YOU:** Fr James wishes to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the celebrations of his 30 years of Ordination. He was so grateful for your many warm words, lovely hospitality and kindness.
- ◆ **EASTER EGGS WANTED:** The Parish would be very grateful for the donation of packets of small easter eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt after the 9.30am Mass on Easter Sunday. Deliver at Masses or to Parish Office.
- ◆ **CONFESSION DURING LENT:** Fr Nev is usually available for Confession at 4.30pm on Saturdays at OLHC Church, Hendra (before the 5pm Vigil Mass). Or you can arrange a time by appointment with the Parish Office.



Sacramental Journey News

Penance: On Thursday evening, three children made their first reconciliation with Fr Nev. Charlotte, Theo and Ben prepared well for their first encounter with the loving mercy of Jesus in this sacrament of healing. We keep them in our prayers as they continue their journeys of faith.

Confirmation: This Thursday evening, from 6pm-7pm, a parent preparation session for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held in the Parish Centre. Parents of children in Year 3 or older, who have been baptised, are invited to join us to learn more about what is involved in preparation for this sacrament in Term 2. Wine and cheese will be served from 5.30pm. Please let any families who you think may be interested know about this. **Every Lenten blessing, Teresa Gittins** | Sacramental Coordinator pmc.hendra@bne.catholic.edu.au

What's It All About? This week we continue with **Part 8** 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!!



Fifth Sunday of Lent 25 & 26 March



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.



Norman James Mansini a Parishioner of Hamilton as a child and Hendra as an adult passed away peacefully on Sunday 19th March 2023. A funeral mass to celebrate Norm's life will be held at the Corpus Christi Catholic Church at 11am on Monday 27th March 2023. In your hands O Lord, we humbly entrust Norm and bid him eternal rest.



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.**



EASTER 2023

2nd Rite of Reconciliation – Wednesday, 29 March

7.00pm—St Agatha's Church, Clayfield
All parishioners warmly invited to St Agatha's Church.

Holy Week Liturgies

Palm Sunday – 1 / 2 April

4.30pm – St Cecilia's Church, Hamilton
5.00pm – Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Hendra
7.30am – St John's Church, Northgate
9.30am – Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Hendra

Holy Thursday - 6 April

7.00pm -Mass—Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Hendra
All parishioners warmly invited to OLHC Church.

Good Friday – 7 April

Stations of the Cross 10.00am – St John's Church, Northgate
(A lay-led liturgy—all welcome)

and

The Lord's Passion 3.00pm - Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra
All parishioners warmly invited to OLHC Church.

Holy Saturday – 8 April

Easter Vigil Mass 7.00pm – Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra
All parishioners warmly invited to OLHC Church.

Easter Sunday – 9 April

Easter Sunday Mass 7.30am – St John's Church, Northgate

Easter Sunday Mass 9.30am – Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra

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

Have a great week ahead.

Adam Bennie Principal

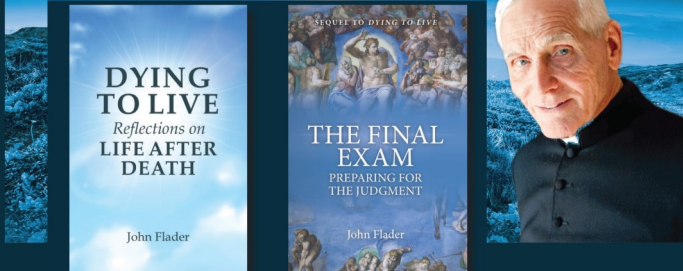


Observe in Faith, Reflect with Courage, Improve through Action

An afternoon with Fr John Flader

Saturday 25th March, 2pm-4pm, Our Lady of Victories, upper hall, 1 Roche Ave/29 Cintra Road, Bowen Hills
rsvp: sales@connorcourt.com

Life after Death. What can we know?



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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.



Our next Alpha will run on
Thursdays 6.30 – 8.30pm
From 27/4/23
At the MoM Parish centre



Who will YOU invite?

Registrations are open now.
Please register interest by emailing the parish office via
hendra@bne.catholic.net.au
or nottlot@bigpond.net.au.

- friends who are asking questions
- fellow parishioners
- yourself?

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 APRIL 2023

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

First Reading: Is 50:4-7

Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11

Gospel: Mt 26:14 - 27:66



Commemoration of Saints

HOLY MEN AND WOMEN

PRAY FOR US.....



WE PRAY FOR....



The Recently Deceased: Norm Mancini

Anniversaries: Gerard Janssen, Silvio D'Astuto, Eufemia D'Astuto, Edgar George Adams, Idalina Da Silva Abreu, Raymond William Stockwell, Eileen Patricia (Jill) Anderson, Frank Anthony Vidgen, Iris Valma Brasch

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, Anthony Hallin, Br Tom Dempsey, Michael Hardy, David Edmunds, Betty Mahony, Michael Hand, Joan Murphy, June Thompson, Jan O'Donoghue, Josepha Garnier, Peta Ziegenfusz.

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.

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: Seeing physically dead people return to life is not a common event. But Christians, serious about their vocation, are eager to help the "down and out" find new meaning in Christ and live a full life.



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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