



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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Workplace Health & Safety Officer: TBA

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23 Bowman St, Hendra 4011 **Telephone:** 07 3268 3070

PRINCIPAL: Mr Adam Bennie

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Weekend Masses: See listing on back page

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.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

9 JULY 2023

9-7-23 – 14th Sun in Ord Time

Hi all,

The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, focuses on the theme of discipleship and the challenges that come with following Jesus. The readings for this Sunday highlight the call to discipleship and the necessary qualities of a true disciple.

The first reading is from the Book of Zechariah (9:9-10), in which the prophet speaks of the coming of a king who is just and humble, riding on a donkey. This passage is seen as a messianic prophecy, pointing to Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It emphasizes the humble nature of Jesus' mission and the qualities of meekness and righteousness that should characterize his followers.

The responsorial psalm (Psalm 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14) praises God's goodness and faithfulness. It echoes the themes of humility and trust in God's providence, recognizing God as the source of all blessings and the one who lifts up the lowly.

In the second reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans (8:9, 11-13), Paul emphasizes the importance of the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer. He reminds the Christians in Rome that they have received the Spirit of Christ, which empowers them to live according to the Spirit and put to death the deeds of the flesh. Paul encourages them to embrace their new life in Christ, renouncing sin and living in righteousness.

The Gospel reading (Matthew 11:25-30) presents Jesus' invitation to discipleship. He praises the Father for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven to the childlike and humble, while they remain hidden from the wise and learned. Jesus invites all who are burdened and weary to come to him for rest, promising to give them rest for their souls. He offers a yoke that is easy and a burden that is light, contrasting it with the heavy burdens imposed by the religious leaders of the time. Jesus presents himself as the model of humility and meekness, and calls upon his followers to take up his yoke and learn from him.

Overall, the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, emphasizes the qualities of humility, meekness, and trust in God's providence that should characterize the life of a disciple. It invites believers to embrace the teachings of Jesus, find rest in him, and follow his example in serving others. [Chat GPT]

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If you missed the Ordinations of the three new priests – Check out the videos

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/articles/presbyteral-ordination-of-minje-gerard-and-isaac/>

Bishop Ken's final chat before he is installed on Tuesday at 11am as Bishop of Toowoomba – <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/articles/a-farewell-chat-with-bishop-ken-howell/>

His Installation Mass will be live-streamed here - <https://www.twb.catholic.org.au/live-stream-masses/>

If you are looking for some online Catholic content

<https://catholicleader.com.au/>

<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/>

<https://www.ncronline.org/>

<https://www.thetablet.co.uk/>

<https://international.la-croix.com/>

Blessings Fr Nev



What's happening in the Parish this week?

Sunday 9 to Saturday 15 July 2023

- Sun 9:30am Morning tea after Mass (OLHC)
- Mon 6.00pm Men's BBQ - Fr Adrian Farelly
- Tues 1:00-2:30pm Parish Prayer Engine (OLHC)
- Wed State of Origin Game 3 (Parish Centre)
- Thur Alpha returns 13th July 6.30pm (Parish Centre)
- Fri 9:00am Mass at St John's (Northgate)
- Sat Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6am-5pm

*Have a great
week ahead*

Parish Messages.....

PARISH GIVING APP – QR CODE (COLLECTION PLATE)

NOW IN USE: The Parish Giving App is part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane and has been set up specifically for parishioners to electronically connect via their mobile telephone to donate to their own parish. **Please scan the QR code attached to the church collection plates to your mobile telephone and follow the prompts to complete your giving donation. You can also access the Parish Giving App by scanning the QR code below.** Your generous financial support of the parish is greatly appreciated.



◆ DATE CLAIMER: FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

TUES 15 AUGUST: Masses in the Parish:

8.45am School Mass, OLHC, Hendra

5.30pm Mass at St Cecilia's, Hamilton

◆ INSTALLATION OF BISHOP KEN HOWELL:

Bishop Ken's Installation as the seventh Bishop of Toowoomba will be held on Tuesday 11 July 2023 at the Cathedral of St Patrick, Toowoomba. Please keep Bishop Ken in your prayers as he prepares for his installation.



◆ FAREWELL FOR FATHER JAMES SPENCE:

Although already officially retired, Father James Spence is finally retiring from pastoral work with the Italian community at St Thomas More Church, Petrie Terrace! He has worked within the Brisbane diocese for 55 years. He will be farewelled at the **9.15am Mass on Sunday 16 July** at The Italian Catholic Centre, St Thomas More, cnr Chapel Street, Caxton Street and Hale Street Petrie Terrace. Light refreshments will follow at the church from 10.15am Please rsvp (for catering purposes) to lucyvaleri@hotmail.com or message 0417615923 by 9 July. Limited parking at church or parking at The Barracks, Caxton St Petrie Tce. Monetary contributions towards a farewell gift can be brought to the church on the day.

Apostleship of the Sea Sunday 9th July

Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. To assist this Catholic ministry, please send your donations to:

<https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/> It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually.



Celebrating 150 years of Weddings at The Cathedral of St Stephen

In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen, couples who have been married at St Stephen's are invited to commemorate their years of marriage.

On Saturday, 30th September 2023, the Archbishop will celebrate Mass at 11:30am, followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

There will be a particular focus on Golden Wedding Anniversaries, however anyone married at the Cathedral or Chapel, is invited to attend.

If you have photos or stories to share, please contact David Todd.

email: todd@bnc.catholic.net.au

telephone: 3324 3030

by 1st September 2023

To register to attend the Mass and for catering purposes please RSVP by Friday 22nd September 2023
cathedral@bnc.catholic.net.au
3324 3030

Parish Activities

Parish School Playgroup Currently operating each week (in school terms).

Held in the OLHC OSHC, 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.**



MONDAY 10TH JULY

[HTTPS://WWW.MOTHEROFMERCYPARISH.ORG.AU](https://www.motherofmercyparish.org.au)

MENS BBQ

DETAILS

WHEN: MONDAY 10TH JULY
DINNER FROM 6PM
GUEST SPEAKER FROM 7PM

COST: \$10 CASH TO COVER
FOOD & DRINK
[BYO ALCOHOL]

WHERE: OLHC PARISH
CENTRE
(9 BOWMAN ST
HENDRA)

RSVP: WED 4TH JULY
SMS TO JOEL OR BILL

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FATHER ADRIAN FARRELLY

IS FONDLY REMEMBERED FOR HIS 15+ YEARS SERVICE AT ST AGATHAS, CLAYFIELD. ALSO A CANON LAWYER, HE HAS PERFORMED MANY OTHER CRITICAL ROLES IN THE CHURCH. HE WILL BE SHARING WITH US THE INSIGHTS AND WISDOM GAINED FROM OVER 40 YRS IN THE PRIESTHOOD.

JOEL PERKINS: 0438 241 524
BILL NOTT ON 0418 183 400

The Carmelite Sisters

invite you to celebrate with them Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, **Sunday 16 July 10.30am Mass.** Stay for a picnic lunch - tea, sandwiches, cake available. Piety stall, Sisters' craft works on sale.

2.00 pm Evening Prayer—Benediction—Scapular enrolments
Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St Ormiston
www.carmeliteormiston.com



The Paraclete (Holy Spirit Seminary Publication)

Copies of *The Paraclete* and the 2023 Prayer Calendar are available at the entrance of the Church.

Please take a copy home and pray for our priests, deacons, seminarians and Church leaders.



NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

Capital Works Project: Our building project is progressing nicely, with Stage 1 due to be completed on time during July. It is very exciting to see the transformation and I am looking forward to sharing that with the community when we can move into the space. The steel has been placed for the entry with concrete pouring last week.

Warm regards **Adam Bennie** Principal

Observe in Faith, Reflect with Courage, Improve through Action



IGNITE CONFERENCE 2023: WONDER

21—24 September 2023, St Laurence's College,
South Brisbane

Step into colour and light and register for Ignite Conference 2023: Wonder. Earlybird tickets available until June 30.....see QR code.



Women's Night of Spirituality will be held at 7pm on **Tuesday 25 July** in St Ignatius Church, Kensington Terrace, Toowong.

The event will take the format of a panel to discuss "Nurturing the nurturer" – how does a person in a nurturing role, sustain their own spirit? Entry by donation & supper provided. Please mark the date in your calendar. See further details on this event, flyer available on the Toowong parish website www.stignatiustooowong.org.au This event will be livestreamed on the night and the link will be available via parish website.

Brisbane City Pops Orchestra Concert "Golden Memories"

Friday 18 August at 7:00pm at St Paschal's Catholic Church,
30 Warraba Avenue, Wavell Heights. Tickets \$35.00 pp
(includes a light supper) Contact the office on 0493 636 632.

or tickets purchased through the parish website: www.olaparishchermerside.org.au



ST JAMES COLLEGE Spring Hill catering to Years 5–12 Co-education in the Edmund Rice tradition. **Enrolment information evening** commencing at 6pm on Wednesday 19 July. **College Taster Day** on Friday 28 July for students to attend half a day to experience our college life. Open to any student in any year level. Please telephone 3230 8600 or email—myoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au

MYSTERY & MISSION Art of Liturgical Celebration – 28-30 September 2023 Liturgy and Music Conference in Brisbane. workshops, presentations, panel discussion and exhibits. Enquiries – liturgy@liturgybrisbane.net.au



Parish Birthdays

Have you entered your birthday in our Parish Birthday Book?

Each last Sunday of the month, we celebrate the birthdays of all our Parish family members with a Birthday cake after the 9.30am Mass at Hendra. The next celebration is on **Sunday 30 July**, so please come along to join us! The Birthday Book is at the Coffee Spot in the Parish Centre Courtyard.



World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend Dates

13-15 October, Live In Weekend, Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston

For More Information Contact:

David and Maria Murphy
Phone: 0481307821
Email: qldbookings@wwme.org.au
www.wwme.org.au

ALPHA The first Alpha program for this year has commenced and has been well attended. Meetings are held on Thursday evenings @ 6.30-8.30pm in the Parish Centre. **NB: There will be a 2 week break during school holidays and sessions will resume on Thursday 13 July.**

Please contact the Parish Alpha Team via the MoMP Office via hendra@bne.catholic.net.au or ph.3268 3040, if you would like to RSVP or know more.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

16 JULY 2023

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

First Reading: Is 55:10-11

Second Reading: Rom 8:18-23

Gospel: Mt 13:1-23

Commemoration of Saints

Tues 11 St Benedict, abbot **MEMORIAL**

Thur 13 St Henry

Fri 14 St Camillus de Lellis, priest

Sat 15 St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor **MEMORIAL**



PRAY FOR US.....

WE PRAY FOR....



The Recently Deceased: Nil

Anniversaries: Adelaide Mary Anderson, Beryl Howard, Terrance Mervyn Ferricks, Samuel Sandy Jackson, Teresa Mastrodomenico, Terrence John Lay, James Joseph O'Brien, Joan Frances French, William Herbert Fredrick Johnson

The Sick: Peter Brewer, Hadge Banks, Paddy "Peter" Ryan, Lyn Smith, 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, Peta Ziegenfusz and Andrew Price.



The **Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation** has been launched in response to Plenary Council feedback in order to engage the baptised in a deeper experience of God as understood and experienced in the Catholic tradition.

Parishioners who attended the first module thoroughly recommend it.

The **second** module, "**Understanding, Praying and Living the Scriptures**" will commence on **August 21st, 2023 from 7.00-9.00pm on Monday evenings** (21 Aug, 28 Aug, 4 Sept, 11 Sept, **NB: 3 week break inc. King's Birthday**, 9 Oct, 16 Oct, 23 Oct, 30 Oct, 6 Nov and 13 Nov) at **Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo** and other hub/s.. More information is available @ Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation - Evangelisation Brisbane & www.catholicformation.au

If you might be interested in joining a group booking which would attract a discount price, please contact the Parish Office.

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: Have you discovered yet that there is more to life than what only material things have to offer? We live in the Spirit. Only in the Lord can we find lasting peace. Speak the Good News.



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

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 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

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROSTER OLHC 9:30am

Date	Reader	Eucharistic Minister
9 July	Serena Varendorff	Tanya Hurley
16 July	Kathryn Bourke	Janeen Lamb

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