



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 on back page

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

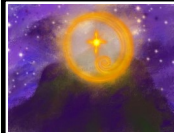
Reconciliation/Confession: By appointment

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.

What's happening in the Parish this week?

Sunday 6 to Saturday 12 August 2023

- Sun** 9:30am 1st Holy Communion Enrolment + School supported Family Mass
Morning tea after Mass (OLHC)
11.00am Alpha 2 commences (Parish Centre)
Baptism of Summer Shaw
- Tues** 1:00-2:30pm Parish Prayer Engine (OLHC)
- Fri** 9:00am Mass + Anointing at St John's
- Sat** Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6am-5pm
7.30am Men's Bible Study Group (Parish Centre)



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (F) 6 AUGUST 2023

6-8-23 – *The Feast of the Transfiguration.*

Hi all,

Check out **Two Minute Homily** for the **Feast of Transfiguration** from **Fr Minje Kim**. - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3WTt7wW-91o>



We've got **Family Mass at OLHC** and the **Rite of Enrolment** for all the children preparing for First Holy Communion this weekend. These children are celebrating their First Communion on the **Sunday 10th Sept at the 9:30am Mass**. Please keep them and their parents in your prayers as they prepare to understand the mystery of the Eucharist.

At **St Agatha's** there are 76 children preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. Their Confirmation liturgy will take place on **Tuesday, 22nd August 5pm and 7pm** presided by **Bishop Tim Norton**. Please keep each of the children and their families in your prayers.

Next week is **Vocations week**. Here's some videos to check out.

For those without a clear vocation - Fr Mike Schmitz - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuZ4-P37Uh0&t=22s>

Why be a priest? – Vocations Brisbane - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fsbaz9jkvUU>

What's your Vocation? – Fr Morgan Batt - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-HabtUU2_k

What's my Vocation? – Fr Mike Schmitz - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJz9PbakIzY>

How do you discern your vocation? – Fr Mike and Dr Hahn - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a9Gz6gMbp5w>

Vocations start at Home - Fr Rob Galea - <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/7ALbpJ12DyE>

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May we carry the image of the transfigured Christ in our hearts. Let us live in the light of His glory, transformed by His love and grace, and be shining witnesses to His redeeming power in the world.

May the Transfigured Christ guide our steps, strengthen our faith, and empower us to live as radiant witnesses of His divine truth. Amen.

Have a blessed week

Fr Nev

Parish Messages.....

- ◆ **SACRAMENTAL JOURNEY NEWS:** This Sunday at the 9.30am Mass at OLHC, Hendra, we welcome the children who will be preparing to make their first Holy Communion next month. The rite of enrolment during Mass marks the formal start of their time of preparation for the sacrament. **Please pray for these children and their families as they prepare to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist.** God bless, Teresa Sacramental Coordinator
- ◆ **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED—THIS WEEKEND:** This weekend we welcome to our parish an ACN speaker who will share with us about the work of Aid to the Church in Need and how we can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters. (5pm and 9.30am OLHC Masses)



Together we can keep the faith alive - Aid to the Church in Need (ACN): Did you know that across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith?

Aid to the Church in Need is a spiritual and pastoral charity which seeks to keep the flame of faith alive in those places where it is at risk of extinction.



- ◆ **REMINDER: PARISH SPIRITUALITY DISCUSSION GROUP—MEETS THIS WEEK TUESDAY 8 AUGUST:** All are most warmly welcome!
- ◆ **SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS (MARY MACKILLOP): TUESDAY 8 AUGUST** Mass at OLHC Hendra at 8.45am
- ◆ **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD NEXT SUNDAY 13 AUGUST:** All children are most warmly welcome!!
- ◆ **FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION: TUESDAY 15 AUGUST: Masses**
8.45am School Mass at OLHC, Hendra
5.30pm Mass at St Agatha's, Clayfield
- ◆ **ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 2023—WEEKEND 19 AND 20 AUGUST**
The ACC for this year will be held on 19 and 20 August—**Your gift is a blessing to your local community.** Donations also via QR Code below



2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
Our Church - Our Mission - Our Community



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.**



Xavier School of Preaching:

Thursday 24 August – Saturday 26 August

The Xavier School of Preaching seeks to raise up a new generation of preachers - men and women - within life and mission of the Catholic Church.

The Xavier School of Preaching will be delivered by the Xavier Centre for Theological Formation, in partnership with Evangelisation Brisbane.

If you are interested in attending this 3-day School of Preaching, please collect a brochure at the front of the Church.

Where: Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo

Cost

\$250 per person

\$125 concession rate



ALPHA Come and try an Alpha Session this Sunday at 11.00am!

The new Australian version of the Alpha film and discussion series is starting **THIS Sun 6th August from 11am at the Mother of Mercy Parish Centre, 9 Bowman St, Hendra.**

RSVP: hendra@bne.catholic.net.au (or 3268 3040)

We share hospitality, watch a video or 2, and discuss in small groups & we hope that you will join us.

[alpha walkthrough video 84 sec Life Faith Meaning Food vid disc.mp4](#)

For more information please go to: www.alpha.org.au/try

Alpha is for anyone, anywhere, to freely explore their unique questions about life, faith and God.

National Vocations AWARENESS WEEK



“Each one of us is called – whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in the ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration; in order to become a witness of the Lord, **here and now.**”

POPE FRANCIS

Learn more about your vocation at www.vocationbrisbane.com



DATE CLAIMER: Learning about the Gospel of St Mark—OCT 2023

Last year, we explored the Gospel of Matthew in some detail in preparation for this liturgical year. Next year, we will use the Gospel of Mark as the predominant source of our Sunday Gospel readings. With this in mind, we have prepared a short (four week) course on Mark's Gospel which will be offered during October 2023. The dates and session times are:

Wednesdays: October 4, 11, 18 and 25 (9.30am) in the parish centre.

The session will be repeated as below:

Wednesdays: October 4, 11, 18 and 25 (7.00pm) in the parish centre.

If there is any group who would like some other arrangement, please let us know via the parish office, and we will endeavour to accommodate you.

Come and increase your appreciation and knowledge of Mark's picture of Jesus' life and ministry.

You might be surprised. (Adult Formation Team)



Parish Birthdays

Have you entered your birthday in our Parish Birthday Book?

Each last Sunday of the month, we celebrate the birthdays of our Parish family members with a Birthday cake after the 9.30am Mass at Hendra.

The next celebration is on **Sunday 27 August**, so please come along to join us! The Birthday Book is at the Coffee Spot in the Parish Centre Courtyard—please add your name!



NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

Mary MacKillop Feast Day

Next Tuesday marks a significant day in the life of the Catholic Church in Australia with the feast day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Mary's legacy continues in the work that we do today to educate the children entrusted in our care. We look forward to celebrating St Mary MacKillop's feast Day next Tuesday 8th August.



P&F

Our next P&F meeting is on Tuesday 8th August at 7pm in the normal space of the staff room in the former Administration building.

QCMF

On Friday 18th August our Middle Years students will be representing our school at the Queensland Catholic Schools and Colleges Music Festival at Villanova College.

Warm regards, **Adam Bennie** Principal

Observe in Faith, Reflect with Courage, Improve through Action

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

13 AUGUST 2023

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

First Reading: 1 Kgs 19:9, 11-13

Second Reading: Rom 9:1-5

Gospel: Mt 14:22-33



Commemoration of Saints

Mon 7 St Cajetan, *priest* & St Sixtus II, *pope, martyr, and companions, martyrs*

Tues 8 **ST MARY OF THE CROSS**, *virgin* **SOLEMNITY**

Wed 9 St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, *virgin, martyr*

Thur 10 **St Lawrence**, *deacon, martyr* **FEAST**

Fri 11 **St Clare**, *virgin* **MEMORIAL**

Sat 12 St Jane Frances de Chantal, *religious*

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary



PRAY FOR US.....

WE PRAY FOR....



The Recently Deceased: Mirjana Andrijich, Fay Yvonne Ford

Anniversaries: Mrs Antonangeli, Bobbie Tynan, Mary Theresa Brayley, Judith Margaret Gamin "Judy", Lillian Arao-Arao, Eufemia and Silvio D'Astuto

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.

MENS BBQ

DETAILS

WHEN: 6PM, SATURDAY
16TH SEPTEMBER
BBQ 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 13TH SEPT.
SMS TO JOEL OR BILL

FUEL UP! (STEAK & SALAD)
FANTASTIC COMPANY!
FABULOUS SPEAKER!



DADS - BRING YOUR SONS!



Cathedral of St Stephen Guides and Welcomers Celebrating 25 years on 27 August 2023

The Cathedral Guides and Welcomers will celebrate their 25th Anniversary on 27 August this year and all current and former Guides and Welcomers are invited to join the festivities.

We will mark the occasion on Sunday, 27 August with Mass in the Cathedral at 10am, followed by a function in The Hanly Room in the Francis Rush Centre.

If you would like to celebrate with us on 27 August, and rekindle old friendships and memories with former Guide and Welcomers, please let us know via email, by Monday 21 August to: cathedralguidesandwelcomers@gmail.com



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



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.



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: qlbookings@wwme.org.au www.wwme.org.au

VOCATION VIEW: When we live the fullness of our vocation, reflecting the goodness of the Lord in our words and actions we shine brightly, as is God's desire for us.

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**. **Scan the QR code below, or the code attached to the church collection plates, to your mobile telephone and follow the prompts to complete your giving donation.**

<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
6 August	School supported Family Mass	Barbara Nelson
13 August	Bill Nott	Louise Nott

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