



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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Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults:

- ◆ **Compliance Officer:** Mrs Kath Shaw
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Workplace Health & Safety Officer: TBA

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Weekend Masses: See listing on back page

Weekday Mass: Friday 9:00am St John's, Northgate
Reconciliation/Confession: By appointment

What's happening in the Parish this week?

Sunday 3 to Saturday 9 September 2023

- Sun** Morning tea after Mass (Parish Centre Courtyard)
Baptism of Louie Senanayake
- Mon** **Funeral of Catherine Fenech (St Cecilia's)**
- Tue** Parish Spirituality Discussion Group (Parish Centre)
1:00-2:30pm Parish Prayer Engine (OLHC)
- Fri** 9:00am Mass (Anointing) at St John's, Northgate
- Sat** Adoration of Blessed Sacrament 6am-5pm (OLHC)
7:30am Men's Bible Study Group (Parish Centre)
Baptism of Leeuwin Galletly
Wedding of Ashvind and Joveena (OLHC)



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) 3 SEPTEMBER 2023

3-9-23 – 22nd Sun in Ord Time

Hi all,

Congratulations to all the children and families at St Agatha's that received their **Confirmation last Tuesday**. Thanks Bishop Tim for conferring the Sacrament. Congrats to **Naiya Smith** who was received into the Church last Sunday night. Happy Father's Day to our fathers, grandfathers, great grandfather's, step- fathers and our spiritual fathers. May the Lord bless you and continue to build your gifts of courage, adventure and leadership in your families, church and the wider community. Lord help all fathers to grow as leaders of faith in their families and the beyond.

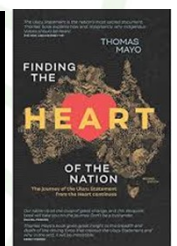


We finally have a date for **The Voice to Parliament Referendum on October 14**. I have popped some videos and book titles that may help you make an informed decision. **Arguments FOR and AGAINST Entrenching a First Nations Voice in the Constitution | AUSSIE LAW**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yByf-9-D5ll>

Referendum 2023 | The Voice to Parliament Debate | Listen to both sides!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=doKI7MUKRuM>



Enjoy reading and grappling with the issues.

Thanks, Fr Nev

Happy Father's Day to all the
Wonderful fathers in our Parish.
Many blessings today and always!



Parish Messages.....

- ◆ **REQUEST ASSISTANCE—FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION—after 9:30am Mass—SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER:** Our hospitality team would be grateful if parishioners could bring a plate of food to share with our First Communion families on this day. Offerings can be left at the Parish Centre Coffee Stop from 8.00am on the morning. Anyone who would like to help with hospitality would be most welcome. Please advise the Parish Office or Coffee Stop.
- ◆ **PRAYER FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS:** On the first Sunday of each month, our parish will pray for this specific cause espoused by Aid to the Church in Need. Every other Sunday we will continue to send up our prayers for the people of Ukraine. Both very much need our prayers!
- ◆ **INTINCTION TRIAL CONTINUES AT OLHC HENDRA CHURCH:** A reminder that the alternatives are these:
 - Receiving the Host in the hand.
 - Receiving the Host and dipping this Host into the chalice.

For the safety of all, drinking directly from the Cup will no longer be offered at this point in time. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sacramental Journey News

Next Sunday at the 9:30am Mass at OLHC, Hendra, 31 children will receive their First Holy Communion. This exciting occasion will also be a well-attended one as families come together to celebrate these children receiving their final sacrament of initiation into the Catholic Church. **Some pews will be specially reserved for these children** so please be aware of this if you plan on attending 9:30am Mass next Sunday. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to encounter Jesus in the sacrament of Eucharist.

God bless,

Teresa

Sacramental Coordinator



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.**



ALPHA Come and try an Alpha Session

NOTE: We'll take a break on Father's Day.

The new Australian version of the Alpha film and discussion series is running on **Sundays from 11am at the Mother of Mercy Parish Centre, 9 Bowman St, Hendra.** RSVP: hendra@bne.catholic.net.au (or 3268 3040)

Alpha will take a break on Father's Day. Our Holy Spirit retreat will run from 11:30am on Sunday 10 Sept. All who have joined in the majority of the first 6 Episodes either with this or other Alphas would be most welcome to join us on the afternoon of 10 Sept. Subsequent Alpha sessions will be 17 Sept & 1 Oct. For more information please go to: www.alpha.org.au/try

catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023

Supporting Safe Communities

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2023
10 SEPTEMBER



This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday. Mother of Mercy Parish and the Diocese of Brisbane are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work to build and support safe communities for all people. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023

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 this **Sunday 24 September**, so please come along to join us! The Birthday Book is at the Coffee Spot in the Parish Centre Courtyard—please add your name!



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.
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NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

Congratulations

Earlier this week Mrs Kym Waters was appointed Assistant Principal, So Kym will be APRE for OLHC Hendra.



Dance Concert

We are all very much looking forward to the dance concert, here at school, in Xavier Place on Friday 8 September. The children have been working very hard with the teachers from Creative Dance Industries this term and I am sure the concert will be great fun!

Warm regards, **Adam Bennie** Principal

Observe in Faith, Reflect with Courage, Improve through Action

AGEING WISELY—SEMINAR

The **Archdiocese of Brisbane's free Ageing Wisely seminar** provides advice and information on a range of pertinent matters, as a service to older parishioners. The seminar will feature professional guest speakers and a range of information sessions on estate planning and legal advice, retirement planning and financial advice, charitable gifts in Wills and perpetual endowments, funeral planning and in-home community support services that are available.

Please join us Date: Tuesday 26 September Time: 9:30am - 1:30pm

Venue: Sandgate Brighton Parish Hall, 108, Brighton Road, Sandgate 4017 Morning tea and lunch will be provided free of charge

PLEASE SEE FLYERS AT CHURCH DOORS FOR AGENDA/PROGRAM

DATE CLAIMER: Learning about the Gospel of St Mark—OCTOBER 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)*



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

10 SEPTEMBER 2023

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

First Reading: Ezek 33:7-9

Second Reading: Rom 13:8-10

Gospel: Mt 18:15-20



Commemoration of Saints

Fri 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MEMORIAL

Sat 2 St Peter Claver, priest

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary



PRAY FOR US....

WE PRAY FOR....



The Recently Deceased: Caterina Curcuruto, Kenneth Lee

Anniversaries: Andrew Gregory "Greg" Walsh, Doris Grimley, Janice Mary Moriarty, Vladislava Kozlovskis, Veronica Standfield, Nancy -Joan Hockings

The Sick: Stan Janssen, 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, June Thompson, Jan O'Donoghue, Peta Ziegenfusz, Andrew Price and Angela Krista.

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.



VOCATION VIEW: Don't run away from what you are called to be. Christians take the less travelled road. "What does it profit us if we gain the whole world but ruin ourselves in the process?"



To talk to someone about your vocation, please make contact with Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544

vocation@bne.catholic.net.au vocationbrisbane.com



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: 0481 307821

Email: qldbookings@wwme.org.au www.wwme.org.au



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.

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
3 September	Trish Dunn and Roselyn Rayappan	Volunteer
10 September	Andrew and Ambrose Devereux	Dona Rotolone

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