



# 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 VISION

*Mother of Mercy Parish is a welcoming, caring and inclusive community which values and promotes faith development and participation for all and affirms the place God has in our lives.*

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**Hours:** Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:00am-12noon

**Website:** www.motherofmercyparish.org.au

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Neville Canham

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**Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults:**

◆ **Compliance Officer:** Mrs Kath Shaw

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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



## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

14 JANUARY 2024

The start of a new year is often seen as a time for new beginnings. Many start (or restart) programs of fitness, diet, prayer, and various other resolutions aimed at promoting a newness of life. Others simply take a break and recharge for the year ahead.

Dear brothers and sisters, God is doing something new in our community as well. I am delighted that he has brought us together. It is a beginning of sorts, but by no means a starting from scratch. Rather, he has formed you over many years under the leadership of many fine pastors. I give thanks to God for them and their ministry. A special thanks goes out to Fr Nev, as he takes up his new appointment at Springfield parish. It is also worth taking the time to acknowledge how the Spirit of God has worked through the lay faithful. It is your journey of faith and your response to the commission of God, received through baptism, which makes this community what it is.

The Scriptures this weekend have at their heart the call to follow God. Samuel famously hears God 'calling in the night' and, in the Gospel, several of the Apostles are called to follow Christ. They all respond marvellously. While the response to God's call is always personal, it is never simply an individual pursuit. God calls us through community, and he calls us to be community.

My prayer is that as we begin our journey together, we will continue to respond to the call of God in our lives. I look forward to getting to know you all. I am sure that wherever God is leading us, the journey will be a journey we undertake together. I ask for your prayers in this time, you will be in mine.

**Have a blessed week.**

**Fr Michael.**

### What's happening in the Parish this week?

#### Sunday 14 to Saturday 20 January

Sun **WELCOME FR MICHAEL** Morning tea after 9.30am Mass (OLHC)

Tues **Prayer Engine is on recess til 30 Jan 2023**

Wed **Youth Encounter—Evangelisation Brisbane** (Parish Centre)

Fri 9.00am Mass (St Johns, Northgate)



*Have a great week ahead*

### *Welcome Fr Michael Grace*

*Fr Michael, we very warmly welcome you as our new Parish Priest, and wish you every blessing for your ministry in our community!!*



## Parish Messages.....

- ◆ **WELCOME FR MICHAEL—MORNING TEA THIS SUNDAY:**  
All parishioners are most warmly invited to morning tea after the **9.30am OLHC Mass this Sunday 14 January 2024** to welcome and meet Fr Michael Grace, our new Parish Priest.

### PLEASE NOTE—SCAM ALERT

Scams via email are prolific at present and we would caution all parishioners to not respond to any email from anyone claiming to be a representative of our parish asking for money, cash cards or verification of financial details. Our Clergy would never seek to contact you in this way, or require of you that you provide them with cash or store cards to get them out of a bind.





**17th January**  
9 am - 5 pm  
Mother of Mercy Parish  
Centre, Hendra

For primary school aged children.  
A day filled with fun, games,  
activities and engaging  
messages and prayer.

More info here  
[www.encountercatholickids.com.au/clayfieldhendra](http://www.encountercatholickids.com.au/clayfieldhendra)





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.

**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](mailto:finance.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au) after your payment has been made.

<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>



Another way to donate easily is via the **PARISH GIVING APP**

**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.



## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

21 JANUARY 2024

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:29-31

Gospel: Mk 1:14-20

## Commemoration of Saints January 2024

Wed 17 Jan St Anthony, abbot **MEMORIAL**

Sat 20 Jan St Fabian, pope, martyr

St Sebastian, martyr

Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary



**PRAY FOR US.....**

## WE PRAY FOR



**The Recently Deceased:** Tess Claffey, David Logan, Michael Thomas Kelly, Nevenka Brailo

**Anniversaries:** Beryl Joan Moore, Eileen Hayes, Kristine Joy Moscato, Arthur John Watt

**The Sick:** Matthew Hand, Maria Ward, 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, Salustia Zavaleta, Brenda Gueizelar, Robert Montalegre, Gloria Morris (sister of Elaine Eneberg), Charlie Richards, Naomi Garden, 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, Angela Krista

## 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.**

## 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)

**Further Masses continue at present as follows:**

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

Date—9.30am Mass OLHC	Reader	Eucharistic Minister
14 January 2024	Angela and Ambrose Devereaux	Barbara Nelson and Dona Rotolone