

a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.  
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### HOMILY

**PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED**  
*Or the Nicene Creed may be said.*  
I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

##### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:*

R. Blessed be God for ever.  
P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.  
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. May this oblation dedicated to your name purify us, O Lord, and day by day bring our

conduct closer to the life of heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.  
R. And with your spirit.  
P. Lift up your hearts.  
R. We lift them up to the Lord.  
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
R. It is right and just.

#### PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.  
All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.

##### COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .  
P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .  
All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.  
P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .  
R. Amen.  
P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
R. And with your spirit.  
P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.  
*All exchange a sign of peace.*

#### LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, having been replenished by such great gifts, we may gain the prize of salvation and never cease to praise you.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
R. Amen.

##### THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.  
R. And with your spirit.  
P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.  
R. Amen.  
P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.  
R. Thanks be to God.

##### REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

#### SPIRITUAL COMBAT

Today's Gospel describes the second of two occasions on which Jesus sends out his disciples to proclaim the good news of the Kingdom. The sending sets a pattern for the missionary nature of Church.

The instructions they receive suggest that, for the most part, they should not expect to receive a friendly response. The presupposition behind this is that the world has largely fallen out of the hand of God into the grip of spiritual forces hostile to God and to the true interests of human beings. The missionaries, therefore, will not be operating on benign or even neutral ground; they have to retake enemy terrain.

Jesus' specific instructions about going out lightly clad, taking no provisions, and so forth, reflect the conditions of the early Church. They do not translate literally into our situation today.

What remains totally relevant is both the nature of the combat faced and the richness of the gift that is brought. For combat with spiritual forces no amount of earthly protection will be of use. Like the armour of Saul that David first tried on before going out to face the Philistine giant, Goliath (1 Sam 17:38-51), it will only get in the way and detract from being armed with the power of God.

Likewise, the missionaries can take the risk of hospitality, because any expenses their hosts might incur in putting them up will be negligible in comparison to the gift they bring: the invitation to the Kingdom and the messianic assurance of God's 'peace' (Luke 2:14).

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

07 JULY 2019

PEACE TO THIS HOUSE. The book of the prophet Isaiah concludes with the promise that God will send peace flowing like a river on all the nations. Today's Gospel reminds us that missionaries are always needed to bring this peace to others. May the peace of Christ dwell in our hearts. May the people we meet experience through us the peace referred to in the Jewish greeting, 'Shalom! Peace be with you!'

##### INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 47:10-11  
Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

#### GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
R. Amen.  
P. The Lord be with you.  
R. And with your spirit.

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.  
P. Lord Jesus, you have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.  
R. Lord, have mercy.  
P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.  
R. Christ, have mercy.  
P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: Lord, have mercy.  
R. Lord, have mercy.  
P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.  
R. Amen.

#### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

#### COLLECT

P. O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
R. Amen.

##### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah  
I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord.  
R. Thanks be to God.

#### RESP PSALM

Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. v. 1

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy  
1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, / O sing to the glory of his name. / O render him glorious praise. / Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! R.  
2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; / shall sing to you, sing to your name!' / Come and see the works of God, / tremendous his deeds among men. R.  
3. He turned the sea into dry land, / they passed through the river dry-shod. / Let our joy then be in him; / he rules for ever by his might. R.  
4. Come and hear, all who fear God. / I will tell what he did for my soul. / Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer / nor withhold his love from me. R.



#### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians  
The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.  
R. Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL

P. The Lord be with you.  
R. And with your spirit.  
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.  
R. Glory to you, O Lord.  
Your peace will rest upon him.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if

# St Agnes' Catholic Parish, Highett

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019

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## MASS TIMES:

**Weekend**  
Saturday Vigil 6pm  
Sunday 8am & 10am  
**Weekday**  
Monday 9am Communion Service  
Tues-Fri 9am preceded by Rosary  
**SPECIAL DEVOTIONS**  
Friday after 9am Mass  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Novena,  
Benediction  
**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 5.15 - 5.45pm or by apt  
**BAPTISMS**  
Are held during the 10am Sunday Mass.  
Enquires are to be directed to the Parish Office.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD - 13/14 July the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**  
**Deuteronomy 30:10-14, Colossians 1:15-20, Luke 10:25-37**

**FEAST DAYS - 6th July - St Maria Goretti, 9th July - St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions and 11th July - St Benedict**

## ST AGNES' PARISH NEWS

**THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES:** Please Collect your Thanksgiving envelopes from the Church foyer. Have you considered paying your Thanksgiving and Presbytery donation to St Agnes via direct debit or credit card? This reduces the work of the counters, decreases the risk of theft and administration costs. If, we, all increase our thanksgiving by a small amount, collectively it adds up to a larger amount. Thank you for your support and generosity.

**PROPAGATION OF FAITH APPEAL:** On the 13th & 14th of July there will be the annual Propagation of Faith appeal. Donations this year will go to Catholic Mission programs faced by abandoned children in particular children with disabilities in the diocese of Yendi Ghana.

**BRIGHTON'S SOCIAL JUSTICE LECTURE:** Brighton's Social Justice Group invites you to their Social Justice Lecture with Speaker: Geologist Dr Jim Bowler: 'In Search of Australian Spirituality: Learning from Aboriginal People.' This will be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 7:30pm at St Joan of Arc Church Hall, 120 New Street, Brighton. See noticeboard for more information.

**SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:** Please keep the Principal appointment Team in your prayers, as they go through the process of appointing a new Principal to St Agnes Primary School.

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES:** If you wish to have an anniversary of your deceased loved ones listed in the St Agnes Parish Bulletin or a Mass offering please see Fr O'Reilly after Mass or contact the Parish office.

**'PLEDGE TO PRAY'** Is an on-line platform for individuals to pledge prayers for vocations. It is based on the idea of the 'Invisible Monastery'. Our Melbourne Vocations Office is inviting us to 'pledge a prayer' at [www.pledgetoprayer.com.au](http://www.pledgetoprayer.com.au) for vocations in Australia particularly in the lead up to Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Perth in December 2019.

## ST AGNES' PARISH NEWS

**THE ST AGNES SCHOOL FETE:** St Agnes Fete will be held on Sat 16th November between 10am - 3pm and the committee welcome the continued support of the Church community in any way you feel you can contribute. The Devonshire Tea has previously enjoyed the strong support of ladies to help with the baking and or serving and we call on that again. We have also appreciated those willing to count the funds on the day and ask for people to again assist in this important role. If you can volunteer in any way please contact Jacinta Whelan on 0418 605 165

**ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY:** The National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) promotes and celebrates the cultural identity of aboriginal peoples across the nation on 7th July. NATSICC's theme for this year is: 'Peace To This House And All Who Dwell Within.' NATSICC encourages you to reflect and make time to look for your inner peace in your busy life, celebrate with your families, friends and your community God's message of peace & love for all.

**FR ROB GALEA:** Coming Home Concert Tour. Inspirational Christian music for all ages. 14 July 2019 at 5pm at The Clock tower Centre, Moonee Ponds. [frgministry.com/tickets](http://frgministry.com/tickets).

**MELBOURNE CATHOLIC:** The July Issue is now available for \$4.00. Archbishop Peter Comensoli's 'A Pilgrim's Post' is, as always very interesting. For the youth, there is an article by Rebecca Heyenga, where she says "Since returning from World Youth Day I look for opportunities to share and express my faith".



## GOSPEL REFLECTION



**"The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs."**

"Catholics have to drive carefully these days," said a comedian, "they've no St Christopher to look after them now." Yet the legend of Christopher has much to teach us. It tells how Christopher lived by a river and would help travellers to negotiate its dangerous waters. One night he heard a child crying for help. Rushing out, he picked up the little one, hauled him onto his shoulders and began to wade across the river. The further he went, the more hazardous it got and the child seemed to be getting heavier and heavier. Finally, as Christopher lowered his precious burden to the ground, he murmured: "I don't know how I managed that. It seemed like I was carrying the world on my shoulders." "No surprise," said the child, 'you were carrying not the world but the maker of the world. I am Jesus Christ.'

The name Christopher means "Christ-bearer" and, by Baptism, we are called to be Christ-bearers, charged with the task of taking Christ and his peace into the world. Our world is already filled with the din of too many words. The first stage of bringing Christ to others will not be more words but rather the silent witness of our lives - lives that reflect Gospel values and Gospel joy. Disciples who realise that how we live during the rest of the week is every bit as important as our coming to Mass on Sunday. And even, if our efforts seem unsuccessful, we have in today's first reading the Lord's encouraging word: "Like a son comforted.....will I comfort you." **From The Living Word**

## MEETINGS FOR MINISTRIES FOR ST AGNES

Opening and Closing the Church & Sacristan: To meet later in July, Altar Servers: To meet after School Holidays, Baptism Team: TBA (looking for more volunteers), Special Minsters & Collectors: Meet after Mass on the 6th & 7th of July, Counters: Meet on the 9th of July at 7pm, Church Cleaners, Church Grounds, Washing of Church Linen & Flowers: Meet on the 10th of July at 7pm, Preparation of Overheads & Operators of Overheads: Meet on the 11th of July at 7pm. Music: Meet on the 11th of July at 7:30pm.

**NOTE: If you are unable to attend a meeting, please leave a message at the Parish Office.**

May God bless all our volunteers and their families, our Church and our School families. A roster will be prepared in due course. It would be wonderful to see our new volunteers get into action for the Lord.

**WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS AND POLICE CHECKS** Thankyou to all the parishioners who have contacted the parish office and have either given a copy of their W.W.C / Police check details to us or have started the application process. If you are one of the volunteers who haven't, please attend to your application ASAP. Your prompt attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated. As a Parish we are committed to the safety of the children within our care and will do whatever is within our power to protect them. Please go to [www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au) to apply for a W.W.C.C or to obtain a Police Check please drop into the parish office and pick up a form. If you don't have access to a computer or need assistance to apply please drop into the parish office between 9am and 4pm on a Thursday or Friday. There are no out-of-pocket expenses for volunteers. **To date 85% of St Agnes volunteers have either arranged or supplied a W.W.C and/ or Police check Thankyou.**

**Sick List:** Monica Harris & Noel Konzag,  
Margie Arokiasamy, Nicholas Lourdes  
**Anniversaries:** Aloy & Eileen De Souza, Marshall  
D'Souza, Raymond Davies, Elli Sideratos  
**Deaths -** Dierdre Cathcart, Olga Fullinfaw



**Baptism this Sunday**  
We welcome into the St Agnes  
Catholic Community  
**Sienna Pietrosanto**  
Who will be baptised this Sunday

## ROSTER

DATE & TIME	READERS	COMMUNION MINISTERS	COUNTER	OVERHEADS
6th July—Vigil	M Rivera & P Dwyer	Patricia Dwyer & Volunteer		
7th July - 10am	Denis Flynn & Mary Moran	A Courtney, F Forbes & M Bilston © Alice Courtney & Frank Forbes	Group 1	Stephen D'Souza
13th July—Vigil	L Lewis & Volunteer	Patricia Dwyer & Volunteer		
14th July—10am	M Taylor (1st Reading) & M Rivera	H Reece, M Taylor & Volunteer © H Reece & Volunteer	Group 2	James D'Abate

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