



Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish, Stafford

A Parish of the Brisbane North West Deanery

Vision: "To follow the example of Jesus by serving others."

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) 15th / 16th April 2023

Besides thanking all of **you for your attendance physically and virtually via ZOOM, and full conscious and active participation in our ceremonies from Passion Sunday up to and including Easter Sunday**, we should especially thank our various ministers for their availability, preparation and wonderful leadership. Also thanks to those who worked in the background with preparation and practice.

For all Liturgies:

- Readers & Prayer Leaders
- Coordinators who prepare bread, wine, candles etc
- Musicians and Cantors (for all your practice etc!!)
- Special Ministers
- Greeters
- Liturgy Committee,
- Computer people & AV organisers.
- Those who prepared 'paper work' and folders
- Those who unlock the church and toilets
- Those who lock up afterwards
- The "gifts" people
- People who take Communion to the Sick so they are involved
- Composer and printer of Newsletter
- Person who put the newsletter and worksheets out for people to collect
- Our church cleaners

For Palm/Passion Sunday:

- Those who prepared and made palm crosses;
- Passion Readers
- Grace, Joseph and People in Processions

Holy Thursday:

- Colin who brought Holy Oils from Cathedral
- Those who served our community through volunteering for feet washing
- Sacristan who put up the White Cloths & did ironing
- Servers
- Those who set up the Jug for water, bowl, towels

- Those who washed the towels later
- Those who helped strip the altar
- The "oils procession" people

Good Friday Stations:

- All those involved in preparing and ensuring a prayerful experience

Good Friday Passion of the Lord:

- Those who set up the stand for the cross etc;
- Passion Readers
- Servers
- Those who held the cross for veneration

Easter Vigil:

- Those who prepared the new Paschal Candle in its stand
- Those who got books, plates, cups, etc organised
- Those who organised and prepared the fire
- Those who looked after the "lighting" effects
- Servers
- Our wonderful Cantors & Musicians who put in much practice
- The one who brought in the jug of Water for the Font
- All those who brought Bells to ring

Easter Sunday:

- All those who volunteer for every Sunday
- Musicians and singers (again!)

As we can all see, our Liturgy just doesn't magically happen but involves the cooperation and generosity of many people in our community INCLUDING the **whole congregation!!** – *Thanks to all*



The Sacramental Team is looking to expand their crew and we **need your help!**

Are you looking for a way to become more involved in our parish? Can you spare an evening a month to **guide our young Catholics on their Sacramental journey?**

If this sounds like you, please come along to our planning meeting on **Monday 24th April at 6.30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room.

Our Sacramental program runs from June to November, however we are looking to "shake up" our current program and we **welcome any ideas** to the table.

- Jules & Teresa

Congratulations to ELLA KOY who, at 9.00am Mass

this weekend will be fully initiated into the Church through celebrating her first Communion!

We the church thank her parents, Sam and Nigel

for their example and commitment to Ella's faith.



COVID UPDATE—The **BIG NEWS** is that we can re-start **SHARING the Cup at Communion** in a couple of weeks. **SIGN OF PEACE**—we can **shake hands** again (one thing we learnt over the last few years is to keep our hands clean (Dispensers will stay at the front doors) to avoid spreading the Flu or other bugs.

Next Sunday's Readings

Third Sunday of Easter

22-23 April

First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-23

*It was impossible for him to be held
by the power of Hades.*

Responsorial Psalm: 15:1-2, 5, 7-11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

*The ransom that was paid to free you
was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.*

Gospel: Luke 24:35

Do not work for food

which cannot last,

but for food which endures to eternal life.



What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

Mon 17 th	8.30am	Mass
Tues 18 th	8.30am	Morning Prayers with Communion
Thu 20 th	8.30am	Mass
Fri 21 st	9.00am 10.30am	Mass Men's group
Sat 22 nd	10.00am 4.00pm 5.00pm	Music Practice Reconciliation Third Sunday of Easter Mass
Sun 23 rd	9.00am	Third Sunday of Easter



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*Cleaning
service*

Please donate to Project Compassion 2023 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world to lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.



WE KINDLY ASK THAT ALL DONATION ENVELOPES BE GIVEN ON OR BEFORE 30th APRIL, Sunday. Thank you.



INCLUSION & COMMUNITY LIFE network

PRESENTS

WALKING TOGETHER

Justice, Reconciliation, and Care for Creation Workshop

SATURDAY 22 APRIL 2023
8:30AM-2:30PM | HANLY ROOM

Want to make a difference in your community but don't know how to get started? Or perhaps you're making great change but don't know how to get people in your parish to care?

The Inclusion & Community Life Network are offering a workshop for those passionate about justice, reconciliation or care for creation to learn how to **start or grow** action in their parish.

GUEST SPEAKERS



Dr Sandie Cornish



Auntie Evelyn Parkin



Thelma Parker



SCAN TO REGISTER

RSVP by
17 April 23

Men's Group CUPPA

Friday next week (21st Apr) 10.30am-12nn
Café 63, Stafford



You are very welcome to bring along any of your mates (Catholic or not) and enjoy each others company plus a drink and something to eat.

Music Practice



NEXT SATURDAY

(22nd April) 10-11am

Everyone is Welcome to JOIN!



CURSILLO



- *A 3 day experience
- *An opportunity to Encounter Christ
- *A method of living the Gospel through friendship
- *A life-changing event

COME AND SEE what the Lord is offering you.

Men's 3 Days 29 April – 1 May 2023

Women's 3 Days 19 – 21 May 2023

At Mary Queen of Peace Parish Hall

- Victoria Ave. Woody Point

9am – 9pm Daily

Cost \$100 includes all meals

Further information/Enrolment forms are available from

Rosemary Haydock 0431 464 211

rhaydock@live.com.au



We are planning to have **Mass** at 8.30am then a **sausage sizzle**

followed by **movie viewing**.

The film will be shown in the Church.

The movie is about a Catholic nun, **Sister Berenice Twohill** (The Aunt of Parishioner Liz Austen) and a nursing sister, **Lorna Whyte**, who formed a very close bond during 4 years in a concentration camp in Papua New Guinea during World War II.

It is based on a true story.

We will then have **morning tea with Anzac biscuits**.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

VOCATION BULLETIN FOR APRIL 30, 2023



"JOY IS THE NET OF LOVE BY WHICH WE CAPTURE SOULS." - ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

*Be an Eternal Guardian of your faith
Do you want to leave a legacy to the Church as a way of thanking God for the gifts you've been given in your lifetime? Once you've cared for your loved ones, please consider a gift in your Will to sustain the sacramental life of our parish. A gift in your Will can make a meaningful difference and personally advance the good works of the Church in this community for generations to come.*



To find out how you can be an Eternal Guardian of your faith, please contact us on 07 3324 3632

or visit www.catholicfoundation.org.au



brisbanesummit.com

In recent weeks, Archbishop Mark has published a document entitled "Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023" which outlines seven priorities for the Archdiocese. Over the next seven weeks from the Second Sunday of Easter until Pentecost, a bulletin insert will introduce one of the seven themes. The first priority is: Teaching Prayer.

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority One: Teaching Prayer

"We must first find our way into a new and deeper experience of prayer not just as one of many elements in a busy life but as a way of life for all the baptised. Often we urge people to pray but don't really teach them how to pray in a way that moves beyond the prayers of childhood and youth. Now is the time to teach ways of prayer which are mature and all-

embracing. Christian prayer begins not with speaking but with listening; and learning to pray is therefore learning to listen - to listen even to the silences of God. If all we do is speak, then in the words of Jesus we "babble like the pagans" (Matt 6:7). But if we speak after listening and in response to God who always has the first word, then we speak according to the mind of the Holy Spirit. That's what we need to teach and learn."

WITH LAMPS ABLAZE

Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

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QRcode to access site:



Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR):

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BAPTISMS

are celebrated at 10.30am on the
Third Sunday of each Month
(except during Lent and OCTOBER).

For **BAPTISM BOOKINGS**

-- contact the Parish Office.

Further information on our website:

<https://bit.ly/3VHHQ62>



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you are **going to the hospital unexpectedly** for an op OR develop a **serious illness**, let Fr Denis know and we can celebrate this Sacrament beforehand.

Celebrations of this Sacrament are on the **third weekend of each Month**.

You may add a **sick person's name to the list by phoning the Parish Office (3356 7155)**.



NOTE: To keep our "unwell list" fresh, the last names will be removed. If their illness continues, let us know and we'll add them to the start of the list. Thank you.

Let Us Pray



We pray for those who are unwell:

Rachel Oxenham, Sr Regina Millard RSC, Sr Catherine Heffernan RSM, Sr Patricia Coyle RSC, Joanne Austen, Carlos De Leon, Miguela Savellon, Timothy & Jeremy Willson, Jo Haines, Eileen Matthews, Christopher Clarké and Bob Devine.

We pray for those recently deceased:

Alf Gow, Ellen Jean Jones, Maureen Noonan, Tore Manai, Florence Ryan, Peter Chilvers, Sr Joan Murphy, Paul Horan, Gran Acuña, Eileen O'Brien, Kathleen Hicks, Thae Davis, Jack Smith, George Pell, Kevin Noonan.

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: All deceased parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.

TIME: Weekend Masses (Click on the underlined sentence and follow on-screen instructions)



[Link to Zoomed Stafford Weekend](#)

Our Parish PIETY Shop

...has a large range of cards, religious icons, rosary beads and medallions. We have catalogues with a huge range of gift ideas for new babies, baptism, birthdays and other special occasions.



After Mass, ask Fr Denis and he'll unlock the Shop's Door for you.)



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