



# 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."

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> July 2023

## INTERNATIONAL FOOD FEST 2023



As usual, it was a great time with fantastic food, luscious desserts and wonderful company. This was because of the generosity of all who were there. (see photo)

Thanks especially to the team who organised and worked behind the scenes with the excellent leadership of **Di Hoiberg**. The team included Peter Robertson, Afa and Julia Taisia (with James Fitsimon not being able to be an active member this year.)



Thanks to Gary McLean for being MC and thanks to all who set up in the afternoon (see photo) and who help pack up and clean up afterwards.

## Divine Mercy Stafford Parish

(every First Friday of each month)

Aug 4, Friday  
@5.30pm



### WHO GIVES A CRAP? *Saving The World. One Wipe At A Time.*

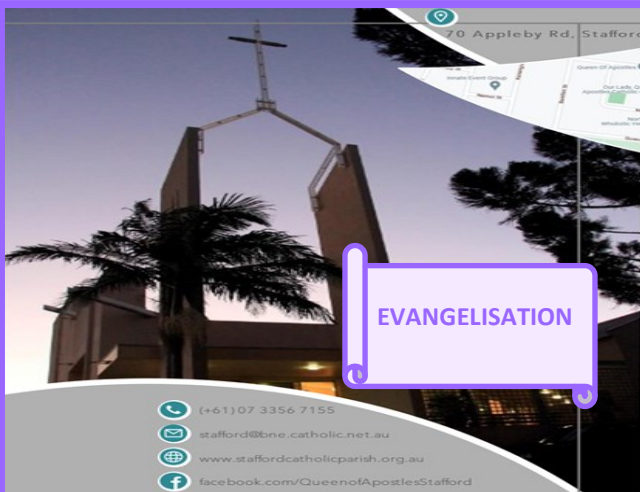
Simon Griffiths is an Australian entrepreneur and social activist but is best known as the founder of Who Gives a Crap, the sustainable toilet paper company that is instantly recognisable by its cool packaging and even cooler mission to donate 50% of its profits to help build toilets and improve sanitation in the developing countries.

Available at the parish office:

**\*\*Toilet paper roll; \$2.00**

**Paper Towel: \$3.50 Tissue:\$2.00**

FYI : WGAC? \*\*toilet papers are now available at ALDI and Woollies for a lower cost per box of 12 rolls. We will continue to make these available for those who need less than a dozen of toilet papers. In addition, paper towels and tissues are not yet out in the market and they are readily available for sale at the parish office. Thank you.



EVANGELISATION

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Our Lady  
Queen of Apostles  
Stafford Catholic Parish

Parish Summit 2023  
Come Dream With Us

### Evangelisation

This weekend is **our last weekend of dreaming videos** as we move towards our parish Summit and the creation of a strategic plan for our parish. We will hear again from Deacon Peter Pellicaan (Executive Director of Evangelisation Brisbane) dream about Evangelisation in our parishes.

Do you have a dream for Evangelisation ministry? If yes, we want to hear from you! Our

"**EVANGELISATION**" survey for this week (**is here**—<https://bit.ly/45OZ1>)



QR Code:



our PARISH SUMMIT is **NEXT Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 10am-3pm** **Register here** or scan this QR code

*Next Sunday's Readings*  
**The Transfiguration of the Lord**

5-6 August

**First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10.13-14**

*His raiment was as white as snow.*

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96:1-2.5-6,9**

*The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.*

**Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-19**

*We heard this voice from out of heaven.*

**Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9**

*His face was shining like the sun.*



**What's on in the coming week at Stafford?**

Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>	8.30am	Mass
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.30am	Mass <b>NO Anna's Group this August</b>
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am <b>5.30pm</b>	Mass (w QoA school) <b>Divine Mercy Group</b>
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation The Transfiguration of the Lord
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	The Transfiguration of the Lord

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

The Liturgy of the Word ends with the Prayer of the Faithful or Universal Prayer.

The Prayer of the Faithful is actually not a prayer addressed to God at all but a series of intentions that worshippers are invited to pray for. The pattern of the Prayer of the Faithful is:

The presider begins by addressing the faithful and inviting them to pray.

The intentions are read out, using a form of words such as "Let us pray for/We pray that...".

The faithful pray about the announced intentions in the pause that follows each one. The petitions only become the 'Prayer of the Faithful' when we, the faithful, respond to the invitation, formulate a prayer in our hearts and bring them together in the "Lord, hear our prayer".

For example, if the reader says: "We pray for those experiencing violence or hunger or homelessness", each of us prays in silence for those we are aware of in those situations – perhaps for the people of Ukraine, or in Yemen where there is famine, or for the homeless in our own city.

After a cue (e.g. "Lord, hear us"), the community responds together (e.g. "Lord, hear our prayer").

The presider concludes with a collect that sums up the prayer of the assembly.

**THE EUCHARIST: DOING WHAT JESUS DID**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist at Mass is based on what Jesus did at the Last Supper. The Gospel accounts tell us that Christ **took** the bread and the cup of wine and **gave thanks** to God for them; he **broke** the bread and **shared** the bread and wine with his disciples.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist begins with the Preparation of the Gifts when the bread and wine are **taken** forward, placed on the altar and prayed over. Along with the bread and wine we offer ourselves to God and as the bread and wine are blessed, we too are blessed by God.

In the Eucharistic Prayer, which is the centre and high point of the celebration of the Mass, we **give thanks** to God for the gifts of bread and wine and for the whole work of salvation.

After the sign of peace, the celebrant **breaks** the bread. Early Christians considered that this part of the ritual was so important that they called their Sunday gathering "the breaking of the bread". The breaking of the bread into many pieces signifies that we are made one when we receive Communion from the one loaf. The Lamb of God litany accompanies the action of the breaking of the bread.

In the communion procession we walk and sing together as we go to the altar to **share** in the paschal meal. By taking and eating the Body of Christ, the faithful become the Body of Christ, united in service to the world and in working for the Kingdom of justice, love, and peace.



[catholiccampaign.com.au](http://catholiccampaign.com.au)

**Your gift today is a blessing to your local community**

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



**Anna's Group**

**Resumes on Sept 7**

Any questions ring :

Dianne on 0407616637



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.



**ONLINE TENNIS COURT BOOKING**

**FOR CASUAL HIRE, click link below:**

[www.tennisvenues.com.au/booking/stafford-parish-tennis-courts](http://www.tennisvenues.com.au/booking/stafford-parish-tennis-courts)

or scan:



**Terms and Conditions**

We are moving closer to the referendum for a Voice to Parliament. You may have reached a decision about your vote, or you may still be considering how to vote. There are many different views and information conveyed in the media which can be confusing.

Our parish vision is *"To Follow the Example of Jesus by Serving Others"* encompassing Jesus's message of inclusion, love and compassion. How will we fulfil our vision and mission for this important time in our history?



*We are offering an opportunity for you to reflect on the message of Jesus and how that message informs our decision regarding the referendum. There are a series of discussions developed by the Brisbane*

*Archdiocese with a focus on the Uluru Statement from the Heart. Each includes short readings, quotes from the Uluru statement, a time for silent reflection and a discussion. Beginning on Monday 21 August, we are offering 4 weekly sessions each beginning at 7pm. Each discussion is about 1 hour and will be via the Parish Zoom link. An Eventbrite link will be available shortly for you to register your interest.*

Let's join together to shape our response to this important question.

**Social Justice/Reconciliation Action Plan Group.**



*Kedron Parish  
Justice Peace &  
Care for Creation Committee*

*invite you to attend a discussion event....*

**Laudato Si - "Caring for Creation and its Climate"**

Why should people of faith be concerned - and what we can do about it? Panel discussion and Q&A

**Date:** Tuesday 8 August 2023 6.45pm for 7pm.

**Venue:** The Hall (of Kedron Catholic Parish), Turner Rd (Corner of Wayland St) Kedron.

**RSVP:** [laudatosibrisbane@gmail.com](mailto:laudatosibrisbane@gmail.com)

## CARING FOR CREATION AND ITS CLIMATE

Invitation to a Brisbane  
discussion about advocacy  
and action in your  
community

Panel, questions and group discussion

Panel includes: ARRC, Angligrreen,  
Queensland Churches Environmental  
Network, Climate For Change and  
Queensland Conservation Council.

7pm - 8th August 2023

Little Flower Church Hall  
80 Turner Rd (Corner of Wayland St)  
Kedron QLD

RSVP - [laudatosibrisbane@gmail.com](mailto:laudatosibrisbane@gmail.com)



### The Coolamon

Sr Joan Murphy, RGS 5.9.1941 – 8.2.2023

In her almost 60 years as a Good Shepherd Sister, Joan Murphy worked in various ministries in Sydney, Melbourne and New Zealand. When she moved back to Brisbane, the city of her birth, in 1998 she made links with organizations advocating for the empowerment of Indigenous Australians.

She worked for many years with an ecumenical church organization known today as Churches Together Indigenous Partnership. In later years Joan became involved with Our Lady Queen of Apostles Parish and deeply appreciated the Parish's commitment to Reconciliation.

Joan valued this Coolamon – an 'Aboriginal carrying vessel'. It is wooden, decorated with hand painting. Not knowing that it would be her last celebration of the event, Joan offered the use of the Coolamon during a special Mass for National Reconciliation Week in July 2022. It was in the Offertory procession, and the celebrant used it to hold and distribute the hosts during the Mass. After Joan died, the Sisters of the Good Shepherd officially handed the Coolamon to Fr Denis Scanlan, entrusting it to the care of the parish on a permanent basis. It is now available for viewing at the parish office foyer.

### INVITATION from

*Faith Matters team at Grovely Parish:*

**"Lovers of Church History - Fr. Chris Hanlon, the Archdiocesan historian, will give a presentation on the Early Bishops of Qld. in the Daley Centre at Grovely ( 67 Dawson Parade, Keperra ) on Wednesday August 2, 7.30 pm to 9.15 pm. A gold coin donation would be appreciated to cover costs."**

### Protecting our (increasingly younger) children from cyberbullying

Concerning reports to eSafety's cyberbullying complaints team show younger children are increasingly experiencing negative online behaviour. Reports of serious cyberbullying of children between the ages of eight and 13 years has more than tripled compared to pre-pandemic 2019 – jumping from a little over 200 complaints in 2019 to almost 740 in 2022.

Take a few minutes to [learn more about cyberbullying](#) – what it is, ways to protect your child, and how to get help if your child experiences it.



You may have heard the exciting news that from 1 November 2023 we will be accepting glass wine and spirit bottles for a 10c refund. How good!



Stafford Parish Scheme ID:

**C10195625**



### SPAMMING CONTINUES

Archdiocesan priests are the flavour of the month lately for spammers. Northside and southside clergy have all been picked upon. The messages are generated as an SMS or sent from a gobbledygook email address (e.g [churchcare0147@gmail.com](mailto:churchcare0147@gmail.com)), but always spouting a similar urgent message.

### Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

Address: **70 Appleby Road, Stafford**

Parish email: [stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)

Parish WEBSITE: [www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au](http://www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au)

Parish Administrator: **Fr Denis Scanlan**

Fr Denis' E-mail: [pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)

Parish Missionary Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto:ppcstafford@gmail.com)

Parish Secretary: **Tisha King** Office Telephone: **3356 7155**

Office Hours: **Mon, Tues Fri: 9am-3pm**

QR code to access



site:



**Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR):**

**Helen Royan - Email: [lsr.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:lsr.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)**

**(Archdiocese Office for Safeguarding Services: 07 3324 3752)**

**STOPline** Service: 1300 304 550 or

[AOB@stopline.com.au](mailto:AOB@stopline.com.au)

**SAFEGUARDING INCIDENT REPORT FORMS may be accessed from the brochure table which is at the left front corner of the church.**

### Our Lady, Queen of Apostles School Contacts

Address: **10 Thuruna Street, Stafford**

School email: [pstafford@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pstafford@bne.catholic.edu.au)

School Principal: **Troy Parsons**

APRE: **Megan Conroy**

APLE: **Leonie McCormack**

Phone (Thuruna St): **3352 9200** Phone (Chuter St): **3326 0400**

## 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:



## ARCHDIOCESAN CENTRE FOR CATHOLIC FORMATION

### MODULE TWO Understanding, Praying & Living the Scriptures

PRESENTED BY



DCN. PETER PELLICAAN PHD  
Executive Director  
Evangelisation Brisbane

### Module Two: Understanding, Praying and Living the Scriptures

After a successful launch of the first module by the Archdiocesan Centre for Catholic Formation, Theology in Context, an invitation is now extended for people to participate in the second unit offering from the Centre. For details

please click [www.catholicformation.au](http://www.catholicformation.au)

### STAMPS FOR MARIST MISSIONS:

recent ones - used or unused, Australian or Overseas. They can be left in the specially marked wooden box to the left of the main Church entry.



Thank you & God bless!

### 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:

Beck Gilmour, Timothy Willson, Graham Taylor, Maria Pirrottina, Sam Fumera, Trevor Blackwell, Liz Martin, Margaret Alcock, Andrew Lofgren, Shaun & Carol Donaldson, Rachel Oxenham, Peter Taylor, Terry Gesch, Peter McDade, Gerard McGrory, Bev Lofgren & Geraldine Hurley.

#### We pray for those recently deceased:

Stella Turton, Miriam Martin, Hugh Rodger, Julia-Mary (JM) Lane, Sr Robyn Wheeler RSC, Sr Maria Carmel, Ron Davis, Julian Baines & Gloria O'Donnell.

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



Weekend Masses are **streamed live on Zoom**. Click

[Link to Zoomed Stafford Weekend](#) **OR enter**

Meeting ID: **443 363 1440** and Passcode: *eucharist*

via the Zoom app.