



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."

Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year B) 5th/6th May, 2018

Help for Christians in Bethlehem. We often forget that these Christians are descendants of the first disciples who lived in Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem etc. Now they are persecuted, and imprisoned behind Israel's "security wall" with little access to employment,



good health care etc. I have been supporting some of the families in Bethlehem and **hope you may be able to help this one time** as well. (That's "Sahar" in the photo.)

A group of Bethlehem ladies has been trying to support their families and have started an enterprise

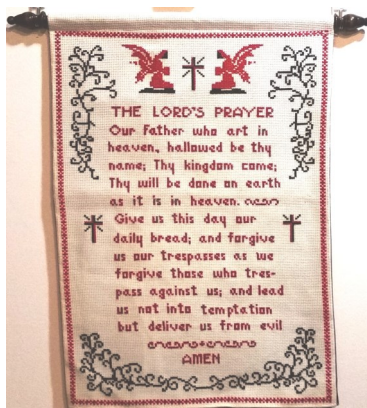
where they do embroidery. I told them I'd try to sell some of their **embroidered 'Lord's Prayers'**

(see photo). The embroidery itself costs \$90 and if we can order at **least 5 in total**, the cost of postage would come down from \$50 to \$10 making it **\$100 each**.

If you wish to order one, please:

- 1) Put \$100 cash in the **envelopes provided** with your Name and Phone number on the front. **OR**
- 2) Use the **same envelopes and tick "DD"**, then deposit \$100 directly into this account as follows: **Acc Name:** Stafford Parish Acc (S11); **BSB:** 064-786 **Acc No** 007291100; **Bank:** CBA; **Reference:** Emb. (your surname)
- 3) We want to **use Bulk Postage** to keep it cheaper. ALL orders **MUST** be received **NO LATER than SUNDAY 20th May**.

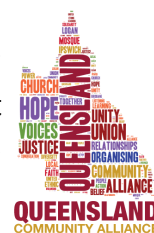
(All the embroideries are done by hand and it could be several weeks, with transport before they arrive). Thank You and **keep Israel and Palestine in your prayers** for peace. — Thanks all, Denis.



A **NOTHER BIG WIN** for the **Queensland Community Alliance**: No longer will Carparks for hospitals be built for profit by private companies. Carparks will have to pay for themselves of course but their prime reason for existence will be support of patients and their families. **ALSO** there is now a



state-wide facility funded by \$7.5million from the government whereby concessions for car parking will be given to those who qualify because of their circumstances. (more than 5000 discounted days at Prince Charles have been provided!)

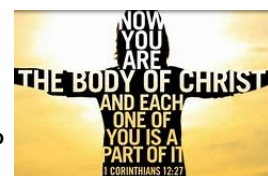


On **Sunday 10th June 2018** we are going to **CELEBRATE!** We are celebrating the result of all the campaigning and work of the last 2 years to obtain fairer and more affordable car parking at The Prince Charles and other Queensland Hospitals This is also a **THANK YOU** to so many of you for your participation and support over that time with, from over 2 years ago, so many of your stories of hardship and angst, down to the meetings and organising and planning of recent months. **Pollies and Public Servants** get lots of flak but this is also to thank those who **listened to us** and helped us achieve our aim for all Queenslanders. Come to our **Thanksgiving Celebration Party** starting with a cuppa after 9am Mass and finishing with a sausage sizzle after a brief assembly. A most wonderful cake has been ordered. Come and share and hear about future plans. (To be held in our hall.)



Fathers who read to their sons for about 10-15 minutes a night give their sons a 60% increase in appreciation of the value and delight of reading books!

What do you usually do on a weekday at 8.30am?? Have you thought about **praying with your parish??** When you drop your kids off



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Ascension of the Lord (YEAR B)

1st : Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-13

Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

Counters Roster: Team C - (Tues) Brian Davissen, Kev Haley, Peter Dove and John Dalton.

STAFFORD KEDRON CHURCHES TOGETHER: pray this week for the parishioners at St Therese.

RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP: You can buy all sorts of goodies from our shop — medals, statues, pictures, books, baptism gifts etc

Palms Australia - *Be a volunteer OUT THERE*

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but **immerse themselves in overseas communities** for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, **share them with our global family!** Come to the **Palms Info Session: Saturday 12 May 3:30pm**

Brisbane Square Library

Community Meeting Room

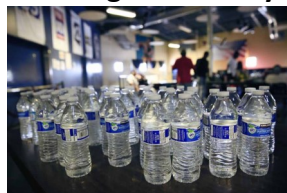
266 George Street, BRISBANE

Go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer

ENVIRONMENT—pollution and damage caused by plastic waste etc. Would

you like to be part of a Parish “Environmental” committee to help our parish cut back on waste and use of polluting materials??

Email/ ring the parish or see Fr Denis.



TRI-CARE—we had a great response for volunteers to take Communion about once a month to the



elderly at Tri-Care. We have **one volunteer** who can only do this on **Sunday Mornings after the 9am Mass** because of work

commitments. We are looking for **ONE MORE** volunteer who would be **available at this time** (little less than once per month). Please ring the office or let Fr Denis know and we'll get the ball rolling.

Want to win a prize?? - See <http://www.threesaints.com.au/> for details about the

three saints festival at Woolloowin today (Sun)

Prices: Coles Voucher for \$1000, \$500 cash etc.

while supporting “Camp Quality” and “Friends of Sam”?

Tickets sell for \$2— drawn

today (Sun) 5.30pm at the festival.

Aнна's Group has been put in place for recently widowed women in our parish.

Ladies will meet on the **2nd Friday of each month** for lunch and be a support for each other.

The next gathering will be at **12pm on 11th May** at **Mocha Bella café**, Flockton Village, Everton Park.

Phone Dianne for further information 0407616637.

Project Compassion Receipts are available for collection from the rear of the church. Again, we have been a very generous community when called upon to give to the various campaigns to help those in need.

Position at Catholic Mission

The Brisbane team of Catholic Mission is expanding.

We are looking for someone with passion, energy and a sense of humour to join us as a donor relations officer.

If you know someone who wants to make a difference in the world and has a heart for mission and evangelisation please share the link below with them.

<http://catholicmission.org.au/about-us/work-with-us>

Thanks, in anticipation for your prayers in this matter.

Feast in Honour of the Martyred Three Saints – BRISBANE
Sunday 6 May 2018, Holy Cross Church Woolloowin

Alfio, Filadelfo & Cirino



9:30am SOLEMN MASS celebrated by Bishop Joseph Oudeman OFM Cap, the Parish Priest of Lutwyche, Fr. Mauro Conte and sung by the St. Alfio choir.

11:30am FOOD STALLS including BBQ Italian sausages, steaks, arancini, porchetta, roasted chestnuts, hot chips, granita, cannoli, sweets, coffee, tea and drinks. Children's entertainment; animal farm, pony rides, supra-chair swing, jumping castle and face painting. Music by the acclaimed duo Jamie & Alexandria.

2:00pm EXIT OF THE SAINTS & STREET PROCESSION

3:00pm ENTERTAINMENT Jamie & Alexandria continue.

5:30pm DRAWING OF THE RAFFLE and end of the 2018 Feast.

Group: Three Saints Feast Brisbane
Event: Three Saints Feast Brisbane 2018 Festival



RAFFLE
SPECIAL PRIZE: Framed Picture of the Three Saints (donated by I and R. Vitale family).
1st PRIZE: \$1000 Coles Myer Voucher (donated by: Three Saints Feast Brisbane Inc.)
2nd PRIZE: \$500 Cash Money Tree (donated by: Hamilton Rd Early Education Centre, Sam & Koulla Zullo)
3rd PRIZE: \$500 Canale Travel Voucher (donated by: Canale Travel Services)
and many more prizes!!
Raffle proceeds will be donated to: “Friends of Sam” a local 17 year old boy who has been diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy & “Camp Quality” an Australian charity creating a better life for children living with cancer.

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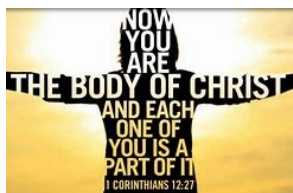


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Reach out. Give life.

from school, how about staying for **30 minutes** for Mass (on Mon and Thurs) or at 9am on Fridays — this Mass is where we **help our school kids appreciate faith** and what it means to come to Mass!

On Tuesdays we celebrate that other great prayer of Christ—the **Morning Prayer of the Church** (see below) - try it (we pray the **psalms which are Jesus' prayers**—he prayed them all the time!



The daily prayer of the Church is called the *Liturgy of the Hours*. The principal parts of the *Liturgy of the Hours* are Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer. They are sometimes described as the “hinges” for daily Christian prayer. This **belongs to the people who are the Church** and who are the Body of Christ at prayer. It has a rich heritage inherited from the Jewish People (including Jesus), then the first Christians who continued to pray in the Temple and then throughout history.

Liturgically -- prayer is the “work” of the (people) and this celebration shapes, forms and teaches us.

Communally -- the (people) are gathered together and pray as one, making present in miniature the Church itself.

These are basic principles on which the Prayer of the Church is built:

- ♦ The **whole body of Christ celebrates**, everyone according to ability;
- ♦ The **whole body of each Christian celebrates** through gesture, posture and action;
- ♦ *Liturgy is more than words*;
- ♦ Strong **symbols speak louder** than words;
- ♦ **Liturgy requires repetition** and (people) thrive on repetition;
- ♦ We give thanks and praise and so **we grow** in wisdom, age and grace.

(The above is edited from “We Pray as One” pub Liturgy Brisbane)

Thank you for the generosity shown towards the Share the Dignity campaign. We once again were able to collect a large amount of goods for this worthwhile cause.

ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES

The 2018 One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies global prayer event is scheduled for 4, 5 and 6 May. Persons participating will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of unborn babies.

The World Health Organisation estimates that 40-50 million abortions are carried out each year worldwide; 125,000 human lives destroyed each day; more than 40 since you commenced reading this notice. Amid this gloom there is some cause for hope though. The number of abortions in the United States has fallen to its lowest level since 1980 and in Italy to the lowest in 40 years. Saint John Paul II once called pro-life efforts such as the One Million Rosaries campaign “the most important work on earth”.

People wishing to participate can do so from wherever they are at the time by praying at least one rosary for an end to abortion. For more information and to register www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org

Your light must shine before all so that they may see goodness in your acts. (Matthew 5:16) We should view our giving in gratitude to God by considering how blessed we are... using our gifts and talents for the good of others. A gift in any amount given through your Will benefits future generations of parishioners. For more information on naming Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish or our Endowment Fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.

COLLECTIONS

Date	22nd April	29th April
1st Collection	\$ 662.50	\$ 528.55
2nd Collection	\$1027.10	\$ 872.05
Loose	\$ 694.75	\$ 690.20
DD 1st (April)	\$3203.50	
DD 2nd (April)	\$6671.30	

Tennis Courts for Hire with lights

CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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 Parish Pastoral Council: ppcstafford@gmail.com
 Parish Secretary: Debra Visser
 Office Hrs: Mon, Tues, Thur: 9.00am—3.30pm
 Office Telephone: 3356 7155
Parish Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative :Cath D'Hage

Parish School "Queen of Apostles"

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 APA: Anne-Marie Maw
 APRE: Kirsten Karey
School Secretaries: Thuruna St: Vera Fitzgerald
 Chuter St: (Mon) Jacqui Collett
 Chuter St: (Tues-Fri) Mary-Anne Coppolecchia
 School Office Hrs: 8.00am - 4.00pm
 Telephone (Thuruna St:) 3352 9200
 Telephone (Chuter St:) 3326 0400

FUTURE WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Mon	7th	8.30am	Mass
Tues	8th	8.30am	Prayer of the church
Wed	9th	9.30am	Indoor Bowls
Thurs	10th	8.30am	Mass
Fri	11th	9.00am 12.00pm	Mass Anna's Group (see page 2)
Sat	12th	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	13th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	Mass Mass MMP Rosary Mass

BAPTISMS in this Parish occur at 10.30am on the Third Sunday of each Month (except during Lent).

For BAPTISM PREPARATION please contact the Parish Office (3356 7155).



ANOINTING OF THE SICK - immediately after Mass : 3rd Sun of Month (ex Oct).



You may add a **sick person's name** to the list by phoning the Parish Office (3356 7155). **To keep the list 'fresh'** the last four names each week will be deleted. If their illness continues, let's know and we'll add them to the start of the list.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES

Our Sick: Mary Law, Mark Fleming, Isaac Goodman, Pat Neilson, Kev & Marie Wildermuth, Kimberley van der Hulst, Pam Ward, Jim Graham, Carol Donaldson, Glen Cavanagh, Dominic Smith, Irene Johnson, Mary McDonald and Bev Lofgren.

Our Recently Deceased: Michael Service, Lorraine Bolin, Frances Thomas, Bernadette Stratford, Marie Brady, Ryan O'Donnell, Patricia Carter, Patrick McGrory, Bill Quinn, Jo Grant, June King, Josie Lyle, and Sr Nola Riley RSC.

Those We Remember: Fred Schubert, Margaret Roberts, Patsy Devine, Sid Tynan, Rex Mundie and Des OBrien and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.

The Catholic Leader is available from the Religious Good Shop for \$2. Articles in this week's edition include:

- * Pope Francis and people around the world mourn the death of British toddler Alfie Evans
- * 'Before all else', survivors of abuse and their families need a better deal from the Church, former Truth, Justice and Healing Council executive says
- * Dioceses, congregations and parishioners invited to have a say on Church's draft standards to safeguard children and vulnerable adults
- * Cardinal George Pell to stand trial over abuse allegations, pleads not guilty
- * In the wake of the killing of two priests and 19 lay people in Nigerian church, nun says she's determined to return to the region despite being warned not to
- * Archbishop urges Queensland politicians to stay in touch with everyday people and to act for the common good