



# 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."*

**27th Sunday in Ordinary time (Year B) 6th/7th October, 2018**

## Plenary Council 2020

### Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

The last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937. It has been more than 80 years since we gathered all of the Church together and much has changed. In 2020, we will have a Plenary Council about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. What are we called to do? Who are we called to be? How do we need to change?

The journey toward the Plenary Council will help us to prepare to listen to God by listening to one another. We invite all people to engage, to be a part of the listening and dialogue encounter in the next two years.

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

**Planned Giving Campaign Update** - The new campaign begins this weekend, 7th October. If you are using envelopes, the new envelopes will be available for collection this weekend at the rear of the church. **Please discard any unused envelopes from your current box after the last weekend in September.** You may have a new number in the next campaign, so it's important not to use old envelopes.

For those parishioners that nominated to make contributions via direct debit from a bank account or credit card, we need the forms returned to process the request.

If you have been away and think you have 'missed' the opportunity to review your pledge or begin a new pledge, it's not too late. There are forms at the rear of the church for planned giving pledges. If you have any questions about Planned Giving, you can call Debra in the office. The forms for direct debit and credit card payments are also available on our website. These can be filled in and emailed to the parish office.

There is an increased amount of work during this time of renewal of pledges and issue of envelopes. Some times things get missed, if you are expecting envelopes



and don't see your name amongst the boxes, please contact the office. If there are any other concerns with your Planned Giving contributions, please contact the office and we will be pleased to assist you.



**SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER at 2pm**

Meeting at Speakers' Corner (outside Parliament House), 15 George St, Brisbane

**We RALLY AGAINST the LATE-TERM ABORTION BILL.**

## Both Lives Matter!

A **Rally for Life** has been organised for Saturday, 13 October. Archbishop Coleridge has been very outspoken on the late-term abortion Bill before Parliament. He has said: "Those MPs who favour the legislation should say why they can accept that Queensland babies who may have reached 40 weeks gestation can be aborted when health isn't a factor." ([Catholic Leader](#)).

In less than two weeks, State Parliament will vote on legislation to legalise abortion. There is still time to have your say. You can contact your local MP via email or by post. For help with this, please go to a website set up by the Archdiocese: [www.community.actonit.com.au/aob](http://www.community.actonit.com.au/aob).

This is an important time for Queensland.

Please have your say.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

28th Sunday Ordinary Time (YEAR B)

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30



**C**ounters Roster: **Team E** - Kev & Trish McGrory, Alan & Helen Gibney, John Mahony and Aileen Kyle.

**S**TAFFORD KEDRON CHURCHES TOGETHER: pray this week for the parishioners of St Clement's

**R**ELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP: **We have EFTPOS!**

Come in and have a look. There is a great range of children's books which make great gifts. We have catalogues with a huge range of gift ideas for new babies, Baptism, birthdays and other special occasions.

**R**eflected Love – **A weekend silent retreat for Women**

Encounter with God is an encounter with Love. It is enveloping "If I can but touch his cloak". It is transforming. We have been sealed with God's love. This weekend retreat is an opportunity to sink into the enveloping love of God, and to explore how that same love is reflected in each one of us.

A weekend of shared silence in community with others who seek encounter with God. Draw away from the rest of life for a short time and walk gently, slowly and with purpose, knowing that you are held within a supported and compassionate community of women.

Facilitated by Grace Harwood of Dragonfly Ministries.

**Friday 7 December 2018 to Sunday 9 December 2018 at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston**

Enquiries to: [grace@dragonflyministries.net.au](mailto:grace@dragonflyministries.net.au) or 0409 524 283

Registrations close 23 November

**I**nvitation to information evening on **Ethics of Advanced Care Planning** - **Dr David Kirchoffer, the new Director of the Qld Bioethics Centre**, will speak in the Daley Centre at St Williams church (67 Dawson Parade, Keperra) on **Wednesday, October 24** from 7.30pm to 9pm.

**His topic is "Ethics of Advanced Care Planning"** – such a relevant issue for those of us who may be approaching the older stage of life, or those whose parents are doing so.

**T**he 2016 Census has revealed there are 116,427 people in Australia who are homeless. That number includes people who are on the streets & sleeping rough, and those 'couch surfing', living in boarding houses or emergency accommodation, or staying in overcrowded dwellings. The people on the streets are just the tip of the iceberg.

**A**lpha Training Opportunities - Lorraine McCarthy, Coordinator of Alpha in a Catholic Context, will be facilitating a number of Training Opportunities next month from Friday 19th October until Tuesday 23rd October. The workshops are FREE of charge, but it is essential to register. There is more information on our noticeboard. If you would like any further information, contact Debra in the office.

**A** Place to call Home—Making a home for everyone in our Land" - Social Justice Statement 2018.—Please collect a Prayer Card and/or a "Ten Steps..." leaflet and/or a copy of the Statement (there are limited copies of the statement—if you won't read it, please don't take it. (Return if when /if you finish with it please). **(or download it from** <http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/social-justice-statements#SJS2018>

**A**нна's Group has been put in place for recently widowed women in our parish. Ladies will meet again at **12pm on 14th September at The Coffee Club**, Flockton Village, Everton Park for lunch and be a support for each other. Phone Dianne for further information 0407616637.



**M**ASS FOR QUEENSLAND MENTAL HEALTH WEEK - Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care invites you to a Mass to celebrate Queensland Mental Health Week.

Friday 12 October at 1.00pm

St Patrick's Church, Fortitude Valley

(corner of McLachlan and Morgan Streets).

**Light refreshments will follow Mass.**

Parking available in church grounds. All people are welcome to attend.

**A**VOCATION VIEW: The Christian Vocation has expression through marriage, single life, priesthood and consecrated life. Our call to holiness is to answer God's call to build the Kingdom of God. 'Let the little children come to me; ... for it is to such as these that the Kingdom of God belongs.



## 2018 Year of YOUTH — Save the Date

### Archdiocesan celebration for the Year of Youth

will be held on **Saturday 24th November**

**S**afeguarding Training registration has now opened for the following sessions in October 2018. See the table for details of available training dates and locations. If you are attending a training session, please contact the parish office to book into a session. **All participants need to be pre-booked and entrance to training sessions is by ticket.** If you have any questions, please contact the office for clarification.

**Please note,** face-to-face training is only applicable to volunteers who are:

- Providing services for children and/or vulnerable adults
- Engaging in activities mainly with children and/or vulnerable adults
- Employed by the Parish

Date	Time	Location
Oct 10 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm - 8:30pm	St. Edward's Church 104 Chatswood Rd, Daisy Hill Qld 4127
Oct 14 <sup>th</sup>	10am - 12pm	Darra Hall 99 Darra Station Rd, Darra Qld 4076
Oct 18 <sup>th</sup>	12:30pm - 2:30pm	Francis Rush Centre 277 Elizabeth St, Brisbane City Qld 4000
Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6pm - 8pm	Our Lady of the Rosary Church 1 Kenmore Rd, Kenmore Qld 4069
Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm - 8:30pm	Holy Spirit Catholic Church 102 Sparkes Rd, Bray Park Qld 4500
Oct 29 <sup>th</sup>	10am - 12pm	Gympie Parish Centre 14 Church St, Gympie Qld 4570
Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>	6:30pm - 8:30pm	Dominic Centre 100 Mayfield Rd, Carina Qld 4152

**W**elcome to any new parishioners here at Stafford. We ask you to fill in our information sheet and place it in an envelope. These can be handed to Fr Denis or placed on the collection plate. A parishioner will then contact you to arrange a visit. If you are a parishioner that may not have completed an information sheet, we would love to hear from you too. It can be very helpful when trying to contact people if we have your details on file. If you have changed any details, particularly email, please let us know, so we can update our records.

**B**anyo Nundah Catholic Parish "Fine China Sale".  
Saturday 27 October 10am -3pm and Sunday 28 October 9am -12noon  
Nolan Hall, Leslie Street, Nundah (next to St Joseph's Primary School).

Everyone welcome - \$5 entry includes Devonshire Tea. You may wish to purchase from a selection of crockery, vases, bowls and ornaments for sale.

Contact Monica 0411 154 905; Kathleen 0411 419 966

**S**TAMPS FOR MARIST MISSIONS: We forwarded another \$160.00 last week from stamp sales, - total this year is \$1360.00. **Thank you** to all our stamp savers who made this possible.

We are always in need of postage stamps for resale. If you can help, please leave your stamps in the box provided to the left of the main Church door. Thank you

COLLECTIONS		
Date	23rd Sept	30th Sept
1st Collection	\$472.90	\$473.05
2nd Collection	\$822	\$766.15
Loose	\$682.70	\$230.20
DD 1st (Aug)	\$3347.50	
DD 2nd (Aug)	\$6643.50	



**Tennis Courts for Hire**  
with lights

**CHEAP RATES!**  
Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



## PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

### **Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office**

Address: 70 Appleby Road, Stafford 4053

Parish E-mail: [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 Pastoral Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto: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"**

Address: 10 Thuruna Street, Stafford 4053

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

**School Team:** Principal: Nigel Bird

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	8th	8.30am 6.00pm	<b>Mass</b> <b>Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting</b>
Tues	9th	8.30am	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b>
Wed	10th	9.30am	<b>Social Club</b>
Thurs	11th	8.30am 5.00pm	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b> <b>Social Justice committee Meeting</b>
Fri	12th	9.00am 12.00pm	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b> <b>Anna's Group</b>
Sat	13th	5.00pm	<b>Mass</b>
Sun	14th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	<b>Mass</b> <b>Mass</b> <b>MMP Rosary</b> <b>Mass</b>

**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:** Bob Devine, Peter Muir, Pam Ward, Jim Graham, Donna Geddes, Dominic Waters, Anne Gallagher, Julia Geatches, Michael Donaldson, Joan French & family, John Cunningham and Mary Law,

**Our Recently Deceased:** Noeleen Wilson, Pat Neilson, Margaret Kirkwood, Maggie Hewett, Margaret Fitzsimon, Fr Harry Bliss, Ralph Williams and Ruth Holohan.

**Those We Remember:** Eddie Nicholson, Rosemund Colledge, John Killin, John Daniel Coyle, Michael O'Donnell, Des OBrien, Rex Munsie 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:

- Young Catholics proclaim their love for Jesus at Ignite Conference
- Leading advocates urge that the royal commission into age care investigates with broader scope
- Catholic aid agencies helping victims of quake and tsunami in Central Sulawesi province
- 600 people rally in Toowoomba to stand up for the unborn
- Red Frog's national coordinator says the Australian drinking culture is taking a leap in the right direction
- Woman of great faith shows love and forgiveness in the face of hatred and violence
- Newly ordained Augustinian priest overjoyed about fulfilling childhood dream
- Brisbane couple passionate about reaching struggling parents through new outreach

