

# 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."

### 33rd Sunday in Ordinary time (Year B) 17th/18th November, 2018

adly KAY and DON MUIR are leaving our parish after a long, long time of being generous and active members. They really are part of our family and we theirs. We thank them for their example and

guidance. We pray for the health and well-being of their family and themselves as they begin a new chapter in their lives. For those at 7am Mass, say 'so long' to them at the cuppa afterwards.

hildren and Vulnerable Adults—the Royal Commission highlighted a sick culture in many organisations including our Church. That culture was one where some people (especially Clergy and Religious) were seen as "special" and not like everyone else. This influence some to think that "it's all right for me to be seen this way because I'm a Priest" or for others to think "Father wouldn't do that, he's a Priest!". This culture led to an abuse of power, a protection of the "club", a wounding of the innocent and untold damage to the whole community of the church and our mission.

e remember that ALL—whatever our role in the Parish (Priest, staff, liturgical ministers, volunteers, baptised members) RESPONSIBLE for the health of our parish, our mission together to proclaim the Good News and, in this context, not only safeguard the wellbeing of those who are vulnerable but powerfully witness to the fact that we will never let this abuse happen again.

rchdiocesan requirements for ministers and volunteers to ensure we witness to our commitment to protect children and vulnerable adults in future. For Ministers of Communion and Readers, Prayer Leaders and Coordinators, the following are requirements set by the Archdiocese.

- Volunteer Data Form
- Police Check
- Blue Card
- Statutory Declaration



All forms will be available to take home and complete this week. Forms can be returned to the office through the week or returned to Fr Denis after Mass next weekend.

For volunteers working in the **Religious Good shop**, all the above forms are required **along with** 

- Code of Ethical Behaviour
- Confidentiality Form

All volunteers are required to complete some paperwork. If you are involved in multiple ministries and are not sure what we require of you, please contact the parish office for clarification.

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news...' Isaiah 52:7



In Hakha, a remote town in the mountainous north of Myanmar, St John's School is educating local children with a childcentred methodology. Three of the teachers at St John's have been trained through the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education (PSIE) in Yangon, and have been posted to this school to help local children learn in a modern way that maximises their potential.

Your support through Catholic Mission can enable PSIE to continue training teachers and help improve education across the country. You can also help St John's School add grades to ensure continuity of education, and become economically sustainable. You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as a monthly giving partner. This regular contribution will directly support education in Myanmar.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/



#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (YEAR B)

1st Reading: Daniel 7:13-14 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33-37



ounters Roster: Team A -- Terry Gesch, Gary McLean, Fay Barrett and Margaret Sheehan.

Christmas/New Year -counters are required for 24th Dec and 31st Dec and perhaps 27th Dec. (If there are many hands available on 31st December we will not need to do a count on 27th December). Please let Debra know if you are available on any of these dates, so a roster can be prepared. Thank you.

this week for the parishioners at St Clement's.

ELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP: We have EFTPOS!

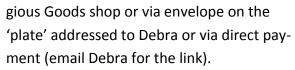
The Columban Calendars have arrived. They are still only \$9. There is also a great range of children's books which make great gifts. We have catalogues with a huge range of gift ideas for new babies, Baptism, birthdays and other special occasions.

rders have been placed for the Advent program 'Saviour' and also for Break

Open The Word. Please finalise payments as

soon as possible so the distribution of these

books can run smoothly. Payment can be made directly at the Reli-



he current roster will finish on the weekend of 8th /9th December. If you will be unavailable for any period in the next roster can you please advise the office as soon as possible. The Christmas and New Year's Eve Masses are not part of this roster. We will put out a sheet for these masses in the coming weeks. There will be 6pm and 9pm Mass (24th Dec) and 8am Mass (25th Dec) and 6pm (31st Dec). This is something to think about...will you be home for Christmas?

eddings bells are sounding: Alana Scott (eldest daughter of our cantor, Louise) and Benjamin Mosely would like to invite the parish to join in celebrating their marriage at Corpus Christi Church, Nundah. 1.00pm Sat 17th Nov.

esponding to the important issue of Modern
Slavery— ACRATH\* Calendars for sale THIS

weekend—Cost \$10. They will be available after mass this weekend.



\*Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking of Humans.

.O.S. Re Vinnie's - If you have any "WARDROBES" or "CHEST OF DRAWERS" you no longer want, please, please ring Vinnie's Furniture Collection number on 1800846643 and they will be happy to pick them up. We are unable to help the people we assist with these items because the Vinnie's furniture warehouse has run out of them.

Any questions please ring Dianne 0407616637

## innie's Gifting Tree Appeal



Donated Food Items which go towards food hampers to be made up by our Vinnie's volunteers can be placed under the Christmas Tree from 2/12/18. Please take home a gift tag (suggesting items to buy) which will be left on tables at each exit of the church from 17/11/18.

If you were to buy your item before the Christmas tree is set up on 2/12/18, then you can leave them in cane baskets which will be provided at the back of the church.

Vinnie's Volunteers will take them and keep them safe till the tree is placed in the church.

On behalf of the Stafford Conference of St Vincent De Paul we would like to say a big thank you for your continued support.

Parish Reflection Day - The theme for the final Parish Reflection Day this year is 'Encountering Jesus' - Exploring the Gospels through Imagery.

**Date**: Saturday 1st December (9am-4pm)

**Cost**: \$30 per person (includes lunch box and baked morning tea). **Venue**: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington St, Ormiston.

If you would like to attend please complete the form available at this weekend's masses and place the form



and payment in the provided envelopes on any of the collections **by 19th November**. For further details contact the parsh office or email the Parish Pastoral Council at <a href="mailto:ppc-stafford@gmail.com">ppc-stafford@gmail.com</a>.

atholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane End of year event, "Strengthening the Stakes" CCR Brisbane Event with Mass celebrated by Bishop Emeritus Joseph Oudeman on Saturday 24 Nov from 9.30am to 2pm at CCR Brisbane Centre. For more info contact Miriam on 3103 2400. A flyer is in our noticeboard with more information.

### osition Vacant – Parish Secretary

Applications are open for a position at the Wilston Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills is required for a permanent Part Time position of Parish Secretary for 25 hours a week (days of the week to be negotiated).

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/and to careers.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

orld Day of the Poor 18th November

"The Holy Father notes that there are many different forms of poverty and he asks us to consider 'Who are the poor?'," Bishop Brady said.

"He describes how we only recognise the voice of the poor in silence and then, having listened, we must answer. Our response, he suggests, calls for a 'loving attentiveness which honours the person ... and seeks out his/her best interests'."

Pope Francis inaugurated the World Day of the Poor at the end of the Jubilee Year of Mercy

in 2016. The Pope's 2018 message was signed on the feast day of St Anthony of Padua (June 13), the patron of the poor.

Pope Francis said: "The World Day of the Poor wishes to be a small answer that the Church throughout the world gives to the poor of every kind and in every land, lest they think that their cry has gone unheard.

"Often I am afraid that many initiatives, by themselves meritorious and necessary, are intended more to please those who undertake them than to really acknowledge the cry of the poor.

"We are so entrapped in a culture which obliges us to look in the mirror and to pamper ourselves that we believe that a gesture of altruism is sufficient without compromising ourselves directly."

Pope Francis explained poverty "is not brought on by

itself, but is caused by selfishness, pride, greed and iniustice".

"Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society," he said.

"In order to overcome the overwhelming condition of poverty, it is necessary that the poor perceive the presence of brothers and sisters who show concern for them and who, by opening the door of their hearts and lives, make them feel like friends and family." Bishop Brady said Pope Francis invites us to make concrete the words of the Psalm 22:27:

"That the afflicted shall eat and be satisfied."
Pope Francis concluded his message by saying that
"the cry of the poor is also a cry of hope which manifests
the certainty of being liberated".

While reflecting on the Pope's message for World Day of the Poor, please remember our local community. As Christmas draws near, we have the call from St Vincent De Paul for assistance in helping those who have less than us. Please spare a thought for those living rough and give generously.

We are also supporting the Annual Catholic Campaign which is also worthy of our assistance.

"That the afflicted shall eat and be satisfied."

Psalm 22:27

COLLECTIONS		
Date	4th Nov	11th Nov
1st Collection	\$439.75	\$368.40
2nd Collection	\$709.50	\$1673.00
Loose	\$554.10	\$N/A
DD 1st (Oct)	\$2464.50	
DD 2nd (Oct)	\$6823.30	

Tennis Courts for Hire with lights

## CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday





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#### PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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

Address: 70 Appleby Road, Stafford 4053 Parish E-mail: stafford@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish WEBSITE: www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au

Parish Administrator: Fr Denis Scanlan

Fr Denis' E-mail: pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au 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"

Address: 10 Thuruna Street, Stafford 4053 School email: 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**

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Mon	19th	8.30am	Mass
Tues	20th	8.30am	Morning Prayer and Communion
Wed	21st	9.30am	Social Club
Thurs	22nd	8.30am	Mass
Fri	23rd	9.00am	Mass
Sat	24th	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	25th	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

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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 FAMLIES

Our Sick: John Blumke, Mary Law, Nora Stevens, Peter Muir, Pam Ward, Jim Graham, Donna Geddes, Dominic Waters, Anne Gallagher, Julia Geatches, Michael Donaldson, Joan French & family and John Cunningham.

Our Recently Deceased: John Forestal, Garry Maynard, Bonnie Lennox, Noeleen Wilson and Pat Neilson.

Those We Remember: Ken Barker, Roy and Olive O'Sullivan, Eddie Nicholson, Rosemund Colledge and John Killin 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: Keeping faith with you

#### Available from the shop for \$2

Young people in the Church work towards rebuilding faith and hope during the Year of Youth

St Stephen's Cathedral Christmas lights to tell the story of the birth of Christ

Bill Hayden continues to progress in faith as he awaits the joy of his First Holy Communion

Life-changing book to help people revel in later years with joy, passion and wisdom

Rosies on the Gold Coast have no concerns about bad behaviour during Schoolies Week

Australian Catholic University in Brisbane to host a panel forum to discuss the role of women in Church leadership in Australian context

Pope reminds the world to invest in peace on the centenary of Remembrance DayNew mobile phone app being trialled in Australian hospital to help reduce the rate of stillbirth

Life-like model of a dying elderly woman in Melbourne triggers discussion on voluntary assisted suicide