



# 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."**

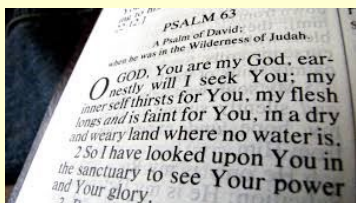
**Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C) 26th/27th Jan, 2019**

**Congratulations to MOLLIE REIMERS and CHLOE HEALY** who, at 9.00am

Mass this weekend become fully initiated into the Church through celebrating their first Communion! We the church thank their parents and family for their example and commitment to Mollie and Chloe's faith.



**W**hen you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading each Sunday, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the Reader or priest, rather look inside yourself. Do you prepare for Mass each week or do you just show up and expect to be entertained? We are called to be active participants, not passive by-standers.



**T**he office will be closed on Monday 28th Jan for the gazette Australia Day Public Holiday.

**O**ur National Anthem was written by Peter Dodds McCormick, a Scottish immigrant who was born in 1834(?). He wrote THREE verses. Here is the third verse:

***With Christ our head and cornerstone,  
we'll build our nation's might  
whose way and truth and light alone  
can guide our path aright.  
Our lives a sacrifice of love  
reflect our Master's care.***

***With faces turned to heaven above  
Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing  
Advance Australia Fair.***



**A**ustralia Day—has only been celebrated Australia-wide since **1994**. It really does not have a long Australian history, ... But for many Indigenous people, the date represents the beginning of a forced separation from their traditional culture.



... Indigenous peoples are believed to have inhabited Australia some 50 000 years ago. In the last 200 years, Europeans decimated them through colonisation, sickness and [documented massacres](#). The Australian Government did not even recognise Aborigines as people, only providing them with full voting rights after 1962. ... As we celebrate a date then that recognises European

settlement on (the East Coast of) Australia, we must address the consequences of that settlement. The common good, the dignity of the human person made in the image of God is core to our identity as Catholics. "Catholic" literally means "*universal*". When one of us suffers, so do we all. It would be dualistic to pick and choose who we apply these planks of social justice to. If we are being authentically catholic, walking in the footsteps of Jesus..., then they apply to all. (Edited from "This is not fake news" by James Robinson Education Officer Liturgy Brisbane)

**W**ho is an "Australian"? (2016 census) 49% of us

are either born overseas (first generation) or have at least one parent born overseas (second generation). The remaining 51% are at least third generation – born in Australia to Australian-born parents) - these include our In-



digenous population which is 3.3%).

**W**here do our "new" Australians come from? Over



28% born OS. (Here's the top 10 countries of origin: UK 5%; NZ 2.5%; China 2.2%; India 1.9%; Philippines 1.0%; Vietnam 1.0%; Italy 0.8%; South Africa 0.8%; Malaysia 0.7%; Germany 0.5%) NET Overseas Migration

182,000 people.

**T**he Social Justice Group in our Parish researches various Justice issues that concern us all in the proclamation of the "Good News". If you'd like to join them, email/phone the office and we'll put you in touch. Here's their latest news:



**In 1787** when preparing for the expedition of the First Fleet, Captain Arthur Phillip famously wrote: '*In a new country there will be no slavery and hence no slaves*'. 231 years later, the Modern Slavery Bill 2018, having passed all stages of the Australian Parliament on 29 November 2018, came into effect on 1 January 2019. It is the world's second anti-slavery law, after legislation was passed in Britain in 2015. Companies

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

### The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19

2nd Reading: Corinthians 12: 31-13: 13

Gospel: Luke 4: 21-30



**Counters Roster Team D: (Tuesday)** Margaret McLean, Kemsley Kelly and Aileen Kyle.

### RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP: We have EFTPOS!

We have a large range of cards, religious icons, rosary beads and medallions. 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. If you are looking for something special, please ask us to order it for you.

**The parish car park** is for the use of those visiting the parish and school. We are aware that commuters are using our carpark, particularly midweek and taking a bus to the city. If you are wanting to use our carpark and leave the area, please advise the office. *(Many funerals these days are not advertised in the newspapers).*

**Leave Your Legacy.** Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish? Naming the parish in your Will, after taking care of your loved ones, can make a meaningful and profound gift to our parish. Gifts can be made to the parish or designated to our perpetual endowment fund. By learning more about these and many other giving options, you can create a legacy of giving to your parish community.

To learn more please contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.



**Stewardship** *a way of life* "Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing pre-

pared..." (Nehemiah 8:10) - Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need without expecting anything in return.

**Rosters for the next period will be prepared in the coming week.** If you know you

will be away during this period and have not yet advised us, **please do this now.** When the roster is finalised, it becomes your responsibility to fulfil your roster commitments or find a replacement. Thank you to all who've gotten into the habit of letting us know when the travel bug hits! It is very much appreciated.



MINISTRY ROSTERS

**Lenten Program 2019** - Although Lent doesn't begin until 6th March, it is a good time to consider doing the Lenten Program prepared by The Brisbane Archdiocese. You can join a small group or do this individually. I will be taking orders in early February, to have books here in time for the beginning of Lent. This year the theme is **Compassion: Reflecting Sharing Living the Good News.**



### The BIBLE:

"Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth"

### ADULT AUSTRALIAN-ENGLISH Lessons:

Are you NEW to our country OR are wanting to learn more about our language and customs? Maybe you only want to feel more confident engaging in everyday conversation? You are **very welcome** to come and join our friendly team **every Wednesday morning** during the School Terms from 10:00 till 12:00 in the Parish Meeting Room. Lessons commence **Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January**. More info? Contact the Parish Office 3356 7155.



**What are our Parish children learning** from us adult and teenage parishioners about how to worship and give praise to God? About the importance of singing? Listening? Responding? Being part of a Community? How do they see YOU?

Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them.

-James A. Baldwin



**7am Mass Singer Volunteers**—Especially if there is no Cantor, could you gather together to help us all sing please? Maybe behind the organ or near the piano?? If you have time, you could practise the "response" for the Responsorial Psalm.



### ON ENTERING A CHURCH IN FRANCE

This poster can now be found in all French churches, even in the church of the sender's town (population ~ 400). The translation is: "By entering this church it may be possible that you hear 'the call of God'. However, it is less probable that He will call you on your mobile. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to him. If you want to SEE Him, send Him a text while driving."





and public bodies with a turnover of \$100 million or more are now required to publish annual statements outlining the risk of slavery in their operations and supply chains, and actions taken to address this. These reports will be published on a public register. Two controversial omissions are penalties and independent oversight. Our parish has made its small contribution to ongoing awareness of this important issue. For more information: [Modern Slavery Bill 2018](#)



**The Little King's Movement** once a year conducts a Parish Appeal, a Door Knock supported by some Catholic Schools. The Movement caters for people with disabilities in social and spiritual activities.

There is no Government funding and the Movement is staffed by volunteers. Each year the calls for their services are increasing. The Movement, though based on Catholic beliefs is truly ecumenical, and all members are welcomed and respected for their own beliefs. There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Movement. (see p3)

If at this time you are unable to help finically you may be able to give of your time or talent's, if so please con-



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in the heart of North Sydney!  
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tact the Movement. **Envelopes for this appeal are at the rear of the church. We will be taking up a collection on the weekend of 2nd/3rd February.**

### **Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults – Prevention and Protection POLICY STATEMENT**

*...for it is to such as these that the*

*kingdom of God belongs.*

*Mark 10:14*

**Children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded.**



*This means that everyone in the church must ensure*

*that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocese of Brisbane Code of Ethical Behaviour for employees and volunteers who work in service of the Church as well as adherence to the legislative imperatives of the State.*

### **COLLECTIONS**

Date	14th Jan	21st Jan
1st Collection	\$428.90	\$360.00
2nd Collection	\$748.25	\$660.00
Loose	\$598.25	\$525.00
DD 1st (Dec)	\$2073.50	
DD 2nd (Dec)	\$7425.72	

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

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Parish Pastoral Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto:ppcstafford@gmail.com)  
Parish Secretary: Debra Visser  
Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9.00am—3.30pm  
Office Telephone: 3356 7155

**Parish Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative:** Cath D'Hage

### **Queen of Apostles School Contacts**

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APA: Anne-Marie Maw  
APRE: Ben Campbell  
School Office Hours: 8.00am - 4.00pm (Mon-Fri)  
Phone (Thuruna St.): 3352 9200  
Phone (Chuter St.): 3326 0400

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

**For BAPTISM BOOKINGS** please contact the Parish Office.



### **What's happening this week?**

Mon	28th	8.30am 6.00pm	Mass Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting
Tues	29th	8.00am	Morning Prayer and Communion
Wed	30th		No Social Club
Thurs	31st	8.30am	Mass
Fri	1st	9.00am	Mass and Morning Tea
Sat	2nd	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	3rd	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	Mass Mass Rosary Mass

### **We pray for those who are unwell**

Leticia Morris  
John Blumke  
Mary Law  
Nora Stevens  
Peter Muir  
Pam Ward  
Donna Geddes  
Dominic Waters  
Anne Gallagher  
Julia Geatches  
Michael Donaldson



**ANointing of the Sick** immediately after Mass on the 3rd Sun of the month (ex October).



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 names will be removed. If their illness continues, let us know and we'll add them to the start of the list.

### **The Catholic Leader**

**Still only \$2**

- \* Aussie flags lead the way for Australian pilgrims into Panama for World Youth Day 2019
- \* Christian Brothers gather at St Joseph's Gregory Terrace to give thanks for their time in East Timor as they withdraw from the country
- \* Parents start charity following the death of their son from drugs at a music festival
- \* The next generation of Edmund Rice leaders meet at St Joseph's Nudgee College for a three-day workshop
- \* Drama and intrigue on the way to Panama for one pilgrim group
- \* Federal Government funding floods in to aged care sector on the eve of the Royal Commission last Friday
- \* Two new schools, one in Coomera and one in Bli Bli, are ready to open their doors for their first school year
- \* Teenage children lead their mum and dad to find a new road into their faith, marriage and family life



### **We pray for those recently deceased including**

Conlon Foley, Maria Solar, Marie Wildermuth, Jim Graham, Keith Kyle, Maria Terre, John Forestal, Garry Maynard, Bonnie Lennox and Pat Neilson.

### **We remember those whose anniversary of death occur about this time including**

Francesca Antonaglia, Domenico Antonaglia, Eddie Nicholson, John O'Shea, Michael O'Donnell, and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.