



Our Lady Queen of Apostles Parish, Stafford

[A Parish of the Brisbane North West Deanery]

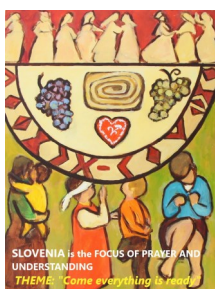
Vision: "To follow the example of Jesus by serving others."

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C) 16th/17th Feb, 2019

Our Parish Council's responsibility is to share with Fr Denis the Pastoral Care of our parish. Like Fr Denis, they are not the font of all wisdom and know that it is essential that the whole parish accepts responsibility for our health and effectiveness in "following the example of Jesus by serving others. We are one Body united by the Holy Spirit. We cannot pretend it's just "me and God" but remember it's "we and God" as our prayer is "OUR Father." **This weekend we commission the Parish Pastoral Council for 2019.** We thank them for offering their time and energies for the good of our community. **They are (with the Mass they usually attend): Saju Mathew (Sat 5pm), Kemsley Kelly, Len Cavanagh, James Flaherty (all 7am); Zara Savellon, Jules Tisdall (both 9am); Nic Forster (5.30pm); Christine Lindsay (var). Ben Campbell (APRE at QofA).**

Parish Plenary Meeting: We had one last October and with the deadline for submissions being on Wednesday March 6th, the Parish Council thought it would be good to give people **another opportunity** to contribute their thoughts about "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time". Of course this is big issue stuff (e.g. how we as Christians can be better and more effective "lights" or "leaven" in our Australian community? - type stuff). It's not about whether we should have 2 or 3 candles on the altar or similar "little" issues. Even if you have contributed, personally on the web or at the last meeting, here is an opportunity to add more or flesh out your original ideas. It's on **NEXT SUNDAY (24th) in the PARISH MEETING ROOM at 10.15 am until 11.30am.**

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement dating back to the 19th century, which **brings together Christian traditions** for an annual day of worship and prayer. On the **FRIDAY 1st MARCH**. Our local churches will meet at **the Salvation Army Church, 32- 54 Hayward St, Stafford**. It starts with a cuppa (and they do great "cuppas"!!) with the Prayer beginning at 10.30am. **Cynthia Oxenham and Toni Evans** do a great job organising us Catholics. **Thanks to those who have offered to help.** If you like to volunteer to help them in any way, contact the office and we'll forward your name and details to them.



The St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland has launched an appeal to help victims of the devastating **flood disaster affecting Townsville and surrounding areas**. Vinnies state president Dennis Innes said, "When the rain stops, the clean-up and recovery process begins and we will be here to help residents of the Townsville region return to their homes and restart their lives," Donate online at <http://bit.ly/DonateNorthQLDFloodAppeal>



Volunteers Needed—Queen of Apostles is seeking volunteers to come on a weekly basis to listen to children read. You may be an Aunty, Uncle, Grandparent or friend of the family and would like to help children practise their reading and develop a love of reading. *Training is provided.* Please call our Early Years Campus on 3326 0400.



Preparation for the Sacrament of Penance (for Children): Parents of children who turn TEN in 2019 are welcome to enrol their child for this preparation which will begin in March (see below). Please go to the link below to **complete the enrolment form on or before Tuesday 26th February**. (You may find it easier to email Fr Denis at pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au and he will send this link to you.) If you cannot enrol via the internet, please ring/email the Parish Office and other arrangements will be made. (Contact details are on the back of the Parish newsletter.) The Parish Team will help Parents prepare their children over three meetings. *For PARENTS AND CHILDREN: Tuesday 5th March 7pm, Tuesday 19th March 7pm; Tuesday 2nd April 7pm.* Here's the link: <https://goo.gl/zDa5k6>



Awaken Together In Christ
Tuesday 19th February 2019
at 7pm **Healing**



St Francis' Hall, 47 Dornoch Tce West End.

A ministry bringing hope and the tangible presence of Christ to the lost and a deeper connection for those who know Him.

Website: awaken.org.au

Hosted by St Mary's & Dutton Park Parishes.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

2nd Reading: Corinthians 15: 45-49

Gospel: Luke 6: 27-38



Counters Roster Team B: Terry Silk, Len Cavanagh, Rosemary Stafford and Kemsley Kelly.
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.

Lenten Program 2019 - Lent begins 6th March. Now 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. This year the theme is **Compassion: Reflecting Sharing Living the Good News**. If you are interested in doing the Lenten program this year please add your name and details to the sheet at the rear of the church. You can also email the office with your details. If you are wanting to join a group or you have a group that would welcome newcomers please let Debra know so she can pass on details to connect people to people! **Last chance to add your name to the list or email the office to place an order for your copy. Orders for the books for will be placed on Monday 25th Feb. The books will cost \$8 each.**



The Queen Of Apostles Men's Group is growing before its begun. At last count there were more than a dozen men interested in gathering on a regular basis. It is open to any senior gents in the parish - married, widowed, single, clergy, retired or working. They meet on 3rd Friday of the month at Rosetta's, Stafford City at 10.30am. **Phone Gary McLean for more information (ph 3863 4149).**



A man had been shipwrecked on a remote island in the Pacific, and was alone for 20 years. When a ship finally arrived, his rescuers were impressed with the three buildings he had built and asked him about them.

"Well," the man replied, "this is my house, and that building over there is my church. It's a wonderful church and I hate to leave it."

"And what is the third building yonder?" a rescuer asked.

"Oh, that is the church I used to go to," the man replied.

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.

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



Stewardship
a way of life

"Blessed are you when people hate you,...

exclude

and insult you, and denounce your name...on account

of the Son of Man." (Luke 6:22)

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time, the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

Please support flood-affected families in North Queensland.

The flood that is devastating North Queensland is affecting the lives of many families in the Diocese of Townsville.

You can make a tax-deductible gift online or by calling the Catholic Foundation on 07 3324 3200. Your donation will be designated to individuals and families in hardship situations whose homes and businesses have been affected by the floods.

URL: <https://catholicfoundation.org.au/how-we-help/flood-relief-appeal/>

Grace Waldron-Lamotte (of Dorkay Street) has been a parishioner here for many years. She has now moved into residential care at Holy Spirit, Carseldine (Hendrina Unit Bed 15) Visitors would be most welcome.



Raising up the next generation in worship.

Dinner | Festival | Rally

6.30-9.30pm | 22 Feb
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Connect with teenagers across the Archdiocese for massive worship and extraordinary encounters.

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www.igniteyouth.com/fridaynightlive
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Morning tea is held after 9am Mass on the first and third Sunday of the month. This is run by the community that worships at this Mass. We are preparing a roster of families or couples or individuals to keep this going in 2019. This is one of the easiest things to sign up for! Everything is supplied, some folk do bring some baking along but it's not a cooking competition. It's an opportunity to gather in an informal way to meet with your fellow parishioners and build friendships. For more information please call Maria Curry Ph 3350 4335.



The BIBLE:
"Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth"



Immersion Trip to PNG - Are you between 18-35 years old and want to make a difference? Join us for the Canossian Australian Volunteer Immersion to Papua New Guinea from 23rd June – 3rd July 2019. This will be a formation based opportunity to help out in our Canossian mission in Port Moresby and to immerse yourself in another experience of life. Places are limited so get in quick. For more information contact Sr Mel on 0484 007 508.



Parish Reflection Days 2019

Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington St, Ormiston

Theme: 'Call to Holiness'

Reflections on Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation: 'Rejoice and Be Glad'

- Saturday 23rd March 2019 (9am-3pm)
- Sunday 26th May 2019 (10am-4pm)
- Saturday 31st August 2019 (9am-3pm)
- Saturday 30th November (9am – 3pm)

North Country Deanery
 date to be advised

- Day costs are \$30 per person (includes morning tea and lunch box)

Please register at: <https://ebab.weebly.com>
 (booking and payment essential 7 days prior to the day)



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COLLECTIONS

Date	3rd Feb	10th Feb
1st Collection	\$411.20	\$418.95
2nd Collection	\$660.00	\$798.50
Loose	\$787.65	\$486.90
DD 1st (Jan)	\$2008.50	
DD 2nd (Jan)	\$7370.50	

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CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



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Parish Pastoral Council: ppcstafford@gmail.com
Parish Secretary: Debra Visser
Office Hours: Mon/Tues/Thurs 9 - 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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School Office Hours: 8.00am - 4.00pm (Mon-Fri)
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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	18th	8.30am	Mass
Tues	19th	8.00am	Morning Prayer and Communion
Wed	20th	9.30am	Social Club
Thurs	21st	8.30am 5.30pm	Mass Liturgy Team Meeting
Fri	22nd	9.00am	Mass
Sat	23rd	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	24th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	Mass Mass Rosary Mass

We pray for those who are unwell

Honor Barry
Leticia Morris
John Blumke
Mary Law
Nora Stevens
Peter Muir
Pam Ward

Donna Geddes
Dominic Waters
Anne Gallagher
Julia Geatches



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

immediately after Mass on the 3rd Sun of the month



(ex October). IF you are **going to hospital unexpectedly** for an op, let Fr Denis know and we can celebrate this Sacrament beforehand



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

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- African refugee trailblazers inspire their peers at Brisbane Catholic College
- Holy Spirit Seminary in Banyo welcomes six new first-year seminarians
- Brisbane Archbishop urges lawmakers to support a broad, holistic re-examination of religious freedom
- Townsville facing a \$1 billion repair bill after monsoonal floods
- Young mother makes a safe delivery of newborn baby at Brisbane's Pregnancy Crisis safe house
- Leading ecologist warns extreme weather linked to climate change could dramatically shift the way Australians live and work
- Church provides guidance for responsible social media use to protect human dignity in a hyper-sexualised world
- Retiring CEO of Vinnies QLD fondly reflects on his career and the generosity of the society's members



We pray for those recently deceased including

Conlon Foley, Maria Solar, Marie Wildermuth, Jim Graham, Keith Kyle, Maria Terre and John Forestal.

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

Greg Curry, Francesca Antonaglia, Domenico Antonaglia and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.