



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 Lent (Year C) 30th/31st March, 2019

Congratulations to **JESSE WALTER** who last weekend, at 7am Mass became fully initiated into the Church through celebrating his first Communion! We the church thank Anthony and Lea, his parents for their example and commitment to Jesse, Amelia and Isaac's faith.



PROJECT COMPASSION there is a short video after Mass, describing the effect of your giving in Australia 2.07 min

Michaela is a 21-year-old trainee at Purple House, a dialysis center in the Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease. The Aboriginal-controlled service gives patients the opportunity to stay connected with their culture. They do this through traditional healing practices and income-generating activities, such as making bush balms and soaps. With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new outlook for the chronically ill.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help provide essential health care, employment and training for First Australians like Michaela.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! (especially for our biggest mass—the 9am) The shop is a valuable service for many and we really need **at LEAST one more person per Mass** to be on its roster. Don't worry, we WILL TRAIN YOU. If you are one who USES THE SHOP for buying articles, you especially might consider signing up. There are very few people on this roster, only two for most mass times. Please consider this seriously, speak to those in the shop about this ministry.

9.00AM MASS people: Because of the pressures on the shop roster (above) we need at **least two people** to volunteer to **organise the collectors** during mass and for those who **bring up the bread and wine**. Both these jobs are very simple and Fr Denis will explain what to do. It's a great way to get families involved (in collecting and bringing up the gifts as well as getting to know some who have been doing this for a long time. See Fr Denis if interested!



Easter Triduum Roster will also be prepared soon. We are looking for names to prepare the roster. There is a sheet at the rear of the church for those who will be here for

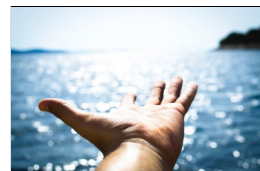
Easter. Many people have indicated that they will be away for all or part of April, **so if you are here for Easter please help us fill the roster.**

Retreat Opportunity 4th May

QUIET SATURDAY

Holding Hope in a Time of Turbulence

with Liz Kerr



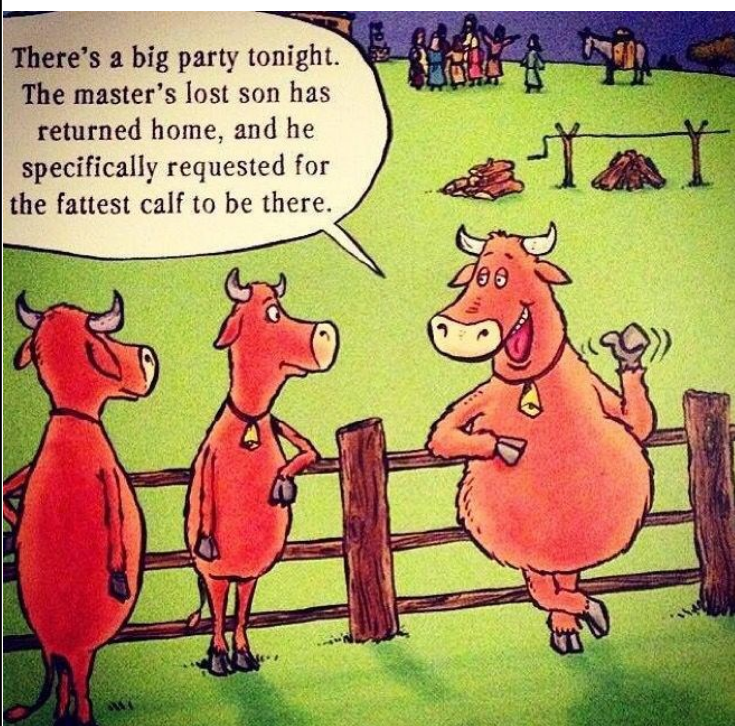
Are you are feeling confused and dispirited about the recent developments in the Australian Catholic Church and looking for a hopeful way forward in your spiritual life? On this day we look at how our contemplative tradition leads to discovering our own inner authority which is the Holy Spirit, and how the fruits of contemplation lead to a spirit of hopefulness, inner peace, freedom and fearlessness, genuine humility, a love for people, and gratitude and joy. All Welcome.

BYO Lunch Suggested Donation \$40

Faber Centre of Ignatian Spirituality

11 Sir Samuel Griffith Drive Bardon

Young man wanting transport to Marburg Old Time Dance. An easy 45 minute drive. Will pay for petrol money and admission which includes supper. It is held every Saturday night but would be happy to go every 4-6 weeks. Would need to leave Stafford by 6pm and can leave Marburg anytime to return home. It would not be a late night. Contact the Parish office for details. Good wholesome entertainment.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

The Fifth Sunday of Lent (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21
2nd Reading: Philippians 3: 8-14
Gospel: John 8: 1-11



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

Religious Goods Shop: 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 Annual Chrism Mass will be held on **Thursday 11th April @ 7.00pm** at St Stephen's Cathedral. All are welcome to attend this significant Archdiocesan Mass.



Celebration of the Sacrament of Penance: Why not celebrate our common Sinfulness and that God never ceases to forgive and show us mercy? On **Tuesday 9th April, 7.00pm**, we will celebrate the Second Rite of Penance.

How to do that?? All those who wish to celebrate are asked to:

- consider their sins, and **ask yourself the question, "Why do I do this?"** and reflect on that.
- **write down** on a piece of paper **your sins and/or the reason you do them** (*this helps articulate them which is the first step to healing*) **BEFORE** coming to church that night (as fully as you like and **DO NOT** include your name!!).

The basic structure of the Second Rite is: Introduction, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Penance and concluding rite. During the Liturgy of Penance, you will process forward, hand your **OPEN** sheet of paper to Father, receive Absolution and return to your place.

"... the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the holy Spirit that has been given to us....But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. – Apostle Paul to the Romans 5:5, 8

Jesus was never upset with sinners; he was only upset with people who did not think they were sinners! (*An article by Fr Richard Rohr*)

Also, **every Saturday, starting at 4pm** until no one is waiting, Fr Denis is available for the Sacrament – **be there at 4pm** as sometimes, no one else is there.



We must bear patiently not being good . . . and not being thought good. -- St. Francis of Assisi

Whoever is willing to serenely bear the trial of being displeasing to herself, that person is a pleasant place of shelter for Jesus.— St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Reconciliation & Triduum Liturgy Times

Reconciliation Liturgy **7PM Tues 9th April**

Holy Thursday **7PM**

Good Friday **3PM**

Easter Vigil **7PM**

Easter Sunday **7am & 9am**

(There is **NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS!**)

1st Week of Easter Mass/Liturgies

No Mass/Liturgy for Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday
Thursday 25th April 8.30am (Anzac Day)

Retreat Day at Kedron Parish - St. Therese and St. Anthony Parish invites you to a one-day retreat on the **Grace of Baptism** on Saturday, 13th April 2019. The day will be presented by members of the Mission Team for Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane and will be held in the parish hall commencing at 9.30am to 4.30pm. Morning and afternoon teas provided. **BYO lunch.**

Topics: How precious we are in Christ;

Starting afresh with Jesus;

Understanding the spiritual gifts;

The healing touch of God.

Contact: Len Airey lenairey@optusnet.com.au
0421977849



Meal on Wheels Stafford are looking for volunteers to deliver the meals to their clients. If you are looking for a rewarding job in a volunteer capacity please phone Sue McLeod for more details Ph 3356 23882.

K nights of the Southern Cross members are reminded that their next meeting will be held in the hall adjoining St Michael's Church, 250 Banks Street, Dorrington. The meeting will be on 4th April commencing at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome.

A Weekend of Discovery....A Lifetime of Love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is faithful to the Roman Catholic Church's teaching that marriage is a covenant that exists between one man and one woman. Any reference to marriage or couple made by WWME is in this context.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Queensland

David & Maria Murphy Phone: 3342 1456

Planned Weekends in Southeast Queensland:

2 – 4 August 2019

EUTHANASIA INQUIRY

Qld Parliament is calling for submissions on **end of life** issues, including euthanasia. Submissions due by **15 April**.

Every submission counts. If you answer at least one question we suggest

Question 25: Should voluntary assisted dying (VAD) be allowed in Qld?

Why/why not?

Email your answer to

careinquiry@parliament.qld.gov.au

Go here for more information:

www.cherishlife.org.au/euthanasia

Remember to place your name on the sheet for Triduum Liturgies. Thank you.

Happy Birthday Edna Lindsay who is celebrating her 90th birthday this week. We join her family in celebrating the gift of her life.



The Kelvin Grove Wind Orchestra

warmly invites you to their next concert entitled 'Islands of the World'. Sit back, relax and let the music transport you to those faraway, magical islands and countries dotted across the globe.

When: Sunday 5th May Time: 2PM

Where: The Old Museum

Tickets: \$25 Adults, \$20 concession, \$13 Children

Contact: Maree Coe Ph 3350 1472 or Mob 0405 660 583 Or KGWO.org.au

Position Vacant – Sacristan

Applications are open for a position at the Cathedral of St Stephen. A person with Cathedral or Parish experience in liturgical ministry is required for a full time position of Sacristan for 37.5 hours a week working on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Closing date 18th April 2019

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 vement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

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Try to mend more and buy less



Stewardship
a way of life

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (Joshua 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Give the Gift of Faith. The dedication you have for Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish can go on forever when you make a gift to our parish endowment fund. With endowment funds, the principal is kept intact and the distributions to the parish come from growth and earnings. This provides a steady stream of income to our parish forever. For more information on naming Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Endowment in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.

JB HIFI Gift card has been handed in to the parish. Please contact the office for more details.

COLLECTIONS

Date	17th Mar	24th Mar
1st Collection	\$377.00	\$395.05
2nd Collection	\$643.50	\$584.50
Loose	\$546.70	\$752.80
DD 1st (Feb)	\$2138.50	
DD 2nd (Feb)	\$7675.00	

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CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



Holy Cross
FUNERALS

The only funeral service owned and operated by the Catholic Church

Ph: (07) 3293 0555 Web: www.holycrossfunerals.com

Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

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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 Hours: Mon/Tues 9 - 3.30pm Thurs 9-1
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	1st	8.30am	Mass
Tues	2nd	8.00am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer and Communion Sacramental Prep for Penance
Wed	3rd	8.00am	Social Club Bus Trip
Thurs	4th	8.30am	Mass
Fri	5th	11.30am	Funeral Mass (Honor Barry)
Sat	6th	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	7th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	Mass Mass Rosary Mass

We pray for those who are unwell

Georgia Evans
Mary Law
Sierra Reck
Stephen Byrnes
Leticia Morris
John Blumke
Nora Stevens
Peter Muir
Pam Ward
Donna Geddes



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: Keeping faith with you

- * Communities unite in prayer after Christchurch, refusing to be 'divided by hatred'
- * New study reveals 'nice kids' come out on top and highly regarded by peers by Year 12
- * Pro-life group continue to be a peaceful, prayerful presence while respecting the exclusion zone
- * Indigenous suicide tragedy in north-west Queensland puts a spotlight on domestic violence and pressures of poverty among the marginalised
- * Australian foreign affairs journalist and commentator Greg Sheridan makes strong statement on Christianity in western society
- * Cyclone Idai has wrought 'massive disaster' across southern Africa, leaving thousands stranded
- * Queensland GP and university lecturer in palliative care Dr David Van Gend talks about the insidious cultural push towards euthanasia
- * Talented musician Helena Montegrando's past fuels her faith-driven future **Still only \$2**

We pray for those recently deceased including

Honor Barry, Franco Mollo, Terry Moloney, Rod West, Sr Colleen Bell RSC, Lorraine Rivers, Fr Adrian Meaney MSC and Conlon Foley.

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

Cora Lamb, Eddie Nicolson, Barbara Cavanagh, 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.