



# 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."*

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—20th/21st July, 2019**

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY!! - IT'S THIS THURSDAY!! (25th) (7pm—9pm at the latest)** Don't forget to plan to come along to the ever-popular Christmas in July. Dr Ian Elmer from the Australian Catholic University (and one of our parishioners!) will be giving a talk called **"Jesus and the Cosmos"** - Sounds great!! What does it mean??

*"John's Gospel has no nativity story. It begins with a majestic prologue (John 1:1-18) claiming that the birth of Jesus heralded the inbreaking of creative divine "Word" into the created cosmos. In this year's Christmas in July soiree we will be exploring the cosmological dimensions of Christmas. We will discuss how this "big picture" approach to the Christmas story impacts upon our relationship with the environment and how that relationship is related to human salvation." - Very topical as we try to implement Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si".*



We will have a Christmas party half way though the night so please **BRING YOUR FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS TREATS to share.**

**Congratulations to HENRY McQUAID** who, at 9am Mass this weekend becomes fully initiated into the Church through celebrating his first Communion! We the church thank Anna and Matthew, his parents for their example and commitment to Henry's faith.



**EUTHANASIA** —how informed are you?? A very important issue that needs deep thought and prayer. Currently most of the publicity is highly emotive.

- Read Pope Francis' address on end of life care: [www.bit.ly/2HNUiNP](http://www.bit.ly/2HNUiNP)
- Read "Be Not Afraid" and "When Life is Ending" available from [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)
- See how Catholic health and aged care services are responding to new (Victorian) legislation: [www.bit.ly/30VMH8n](http://www.bit.ly/30VMH8n)
- Visit "Moments that Matter", for real stories of people who've experienced palliative care: [www.momentsthatmatter.org.au](http://www.momentsthatmatter.org.au)
- Look at these websites for up to date information on the subject: [www.australiancarealliance.org.au](http://www.australiancarealliance.org.au) or

## **PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 - 2ND PHASE ABOUT TO BEGIN**

With the release of the six National Plenary Themes for Discernment and the commencement of the Listening and Discernment phase of the Plenary journey, the Archdiocese of Brisbane will be hosting a Brisbane Assembly taking place October 4-5, 2019 at the Edmund Rice Performing Arts Centre (St Laurence's College) in South Brisbane.

Participants will also hear from an array of quality presenters on 'Discernment' and 'Effective Communication' to assist with the Listening and Discernment phase. This will aid in empowering participants to engage their own communities with the second phase of the Plenary journey in the lead up to Easter 2020.

Who can attend the Brisbane Assembly?:

An invitation is extended to all within the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Please note registrations are likely to fill quickly for this important local Plenary event therefore you are encouraged to register early to avoid disappointment.

For those unable to attend the Brisbane Assembly, Shalom TV will be providing a live web cast of key sessions for the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Video content captured at the Assembly will also be used to create resources to assist local parishes and communities with their contribution to the Listening and Discernment phase.

Please also note the Brisbane Assembly is just one of a number of ways you and your community/parish can participate in the Listening and Discernment process. This process can also be run locally using the resources available at <http://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/parishes/plenary/>

## **Brisbane Assembly Format & Registration for October 4 and 5:**

Adult – \$50      Student/Pensioner – \$35  
Pricing (inc GST)

Venue: Edmund Rice Performing Arts Complex, St Laurence's College – South Brisbane

Before registering please read the following carefully: Registration includes access to all presentations in ERPAC Auditorium, facilitated Listening and Discernment sessions and meals (morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea) across Friday and Saturday of the Brisbane Assembly.

**Registration opens July 8**

**Book online** <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=521938&>

## The 17th week in Ord Time (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32  
2nd Reading: Colossians 2:12-14  
Gospel: Luke 11:1-13



**C**ounters Roster Team D: Margaret McLean, Kemsley Kelly and Aileen Kyle.

**R**eligious Goods Shop: We have a large range of cards, religious icons, rosary beads and medallions. 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.

**P**lanned Giving Envelopes begin again in October. If you are in possession of a box of envelopes, consider if the box is half empty or is the box collecting dust. Would you prefer to make your contributions using your credit card or directly from your bank account? Don't wait until October to make the change, I can help you arrange a direct payment now. Did you know it costs the parish approx. \$10 per box of envelopes. Then we have volunteers open the envelopes and count the monies given. Then a staff member visits the bank to deposit the monies received on the plate. Direct deposits also help when budgeting for the parish expenses and parish endeavours. Envelopes for the next campaign need to be ordered well in advance, so please consider this in the coming weeks. Thanks, Debra

**G**ive the Gift of Faith. Your generosity towards Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish can go on forever when you include our parish endowment fund in your Will. 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 parish ministries forever. For more information on naming Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Endowment Fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or the parish office.

**L**ost Property has been growing over the last few months. We thank you for your donation of glasses—that helps when we need a reader at the eleventh hour and someone uses the excuse—no glasses! We also are building a nice collection of umbrellas for those rainy days! There is also an assortment of odd bits and pieces ie shoes, scarf, headband, water bottles etc. **Please have a look if you are missing something.**

**A** note from Caritas (Project Compassion): "Keeping our administration costs low is of the upmost importance to Caritas Australia. We strive to keep our fundraising and admin costs at around 10%, which is one of the lowest ratios in our sector.

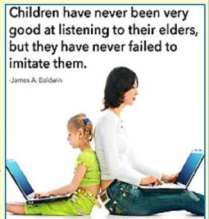
Furthermore, you may be pleased to learn that for every \$1 we spend on our mail outs, we receive \$9 in income to fund our work, thereby ensuring a sustainable approach to our fundraising strategy."

**P**arents have many stresses placed on them these days. Battling "screen time" with the kids, the ever increasing demands for things which they are bombarded with advertising about, the non-ending noise and activities which don't allow you a breather. Just a reminder once again: there is a very successful and helpful programme called "Triple P—Positive Parenting Program". You

can access it on the internet at

<https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/qld-ukn/triplep/> and it includes 12 months of free modules you can do online.

**W**hat 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?



**H**arrison Wessel turns one next

**Sunday.** He is a regular worshipper at 7am Mass with older brother James and mum and dad (Amanda and Matthew).

He will be also initiated into the Church through **the Sacrament of Baptism NEXT Sunday at 7am Mass.**

You're welcome to stick around after Mass to share in a cake and coffee/tea.



**E**noggera Open Day



**ST VINCENT'S CARE SERVICES**

10 am to 3pm,

Saturday 3 August 2019

The independent living community of **St Vincent's Care Services Enoggera** will hold its Open Day on Saturday 3 August 2019, from 10am to 3pm.

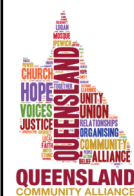
Meet with residents and get to know this welcoming and vibrant retirement village!

Hourly tours/ Information on care and support/ light lunch provided.

To RSVP, please call 1800 778 767.

**T**he Queensland Community Alliance, with which we as a parish have done so much for the common good of our civic area, has been invited to have a stall at the Vocation and Youth Ministry Expo at the Cathedral. It's a chance to share that part of what our Alliance

does is develop people who have a sense of vocation around the Church's mission in public life in Queensland. Date **Sunday Aug 4th.** Time: After Midday Mass finishes from 1pm until 2.30pm. Come along and see.



**C**aritas receipts are ready for collection from the rear of the church. Thanks,

I know that all of you were saddened to learn this week of the death of one of our church's most valuable members -- **Someone Else**.

Someone's passing created a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with us for many years, and for every one of those years, Someone did far more than the normal person's share of the work. Whenever leadership was mentioned, this wonderful person was looked to for inspiration as well as results. Someone Else can work with that group. Whenever there was a job to do, a class to teach, or a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone's lips, "Let Someone Else do it." It was common knowledge that Someone Else was among the largest givers in the church. Whenever there was a financial need, everyone just assumed that Someone Else would make up the difference.

Someone Else was a wonderful person, sometimes appearing super-human, but a person can only do so much. Were the truth known, everyone expected too much of Someone Else. Now Someone Else is gone. We wonder what we are going to do. Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but who is going to follow it? Who is going to do the things Someone Else did? Remember, we can't depend on Someone Else anymore.

- Author Unknown -

**Why did I share this well known poetic work with you this weekend?** In a few weeks the next roster will be prepared. I enjoy sitting in the middle of the church and enjoying the liturgy. There is also much joy in participating in the liturgy. Don't leave it to someone else! Someone else is needing a break, maybe sick, maybe not with us anymore, maybe on the list of those we remember! Don't wait to be asked! There are many ministries in a parish, so please share your time, talent and reap the rewards! Training and nurturing are available too. Just ask! Someone else needs you!  
Debra

**Vinnie's SOS for Mattresses.!!!**

**People are sleeping on cold floors this winter.**

**All sizes of mattresses are desperately needed for our people in need. Can you help?**

Ring 1800 846 643 and arrange for them to be picked up. Ring Dianne 0407616637 if you have any questions.



**Tennis Courts for Hire**  
with lights

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

## Presentation on the History of the Qld Church

Fr. Chris Hanlon will speak for 2 nights in the Daley Centre, Grovely (67 Dawson Parade, Keperra) on July 16 and 23, 7.30pm – 9pm. He will outline his recent research on history of the Qld Church from the time it became a colony (1859) to the end of World War 1 – a most interesting period.

### 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

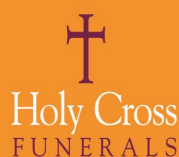
***Children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded.***

*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	7th July	14th July
1st Collection	\$439.50	\$380.00
2nd Collection	\$776.50	\$528.00
Loose	\$551.75	\$444.10
DD 1st (June)	\$1968.50	
DD 2nd (June)	\$7550.50	



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Parish Pastoral Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto:ppcstafford@gmail.com)  
Parish Secretary: Debra Visser  
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Office Telephone: 3356 7155  
**Parish Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative:** Cath D'Hage  
STOPline Service: 1300 304 550 or  
AOB@stopline.com.au or  
[www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com](http://www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com)


### 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	22nd	8.30am 6.00pm	Mass Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting
Tues	23rd	8.00am	Morning Prayers and Communion
Wed	24th	9.30am	Social Club
Thurs	25th	8.30am 7.00pm	Mass Christmas in July 
Fri	26th	9.00am	Mass
Sat	27th	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	28th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	Mass Mass Rosary Mass

### We pray for those recently deceased including:

Michael Wilson-Mitchell, Nathaniel Kenneth Bailey, Maria Grigorovich, Nola Grant, Frank Donaghue, Gordon Gargano (Brother to Truci Dove), Tony Maddern, Joyce Rackemann and John Winkle.



### We pray for those who are unwell

Abbie Sweeper  
George Axisa  
Jack Charalambous  
Ray Modystack  
Irene Johnson  
John Cunningham  
Georgia Evans  
Mary Law  
Sierra Reck  
John Blumke  
Nora Stevens  
Pam Ward



### ANOINTING OF THE SICK



**immediately** after Mass on the 3rd Sun of the month (ex April). 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

- \* Canossian Daughters of Charity celebrate 70 years of walking with the poor in Australia
- \* Catholic healthcare chief warns a lack of government planning means most vulnerable could die before they receive high-quality aged care
- \* Pregnant women and children killed in ongoing tribal violence in Papua New Guinea
- \* A Catholic humans right advocate welcomes an historic agreement to pay reparations for 10,000 Indigenous workers who had wages stolen
- \* Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Kenmore, celebrates 50 years of prayer and community
- \* Evangelisation Brisbane's Jessica Laidler discusses the role of evangelisation at home and overseas
- \* Gold Coast sculptor Linda Klarfeld's Holy Family sculpture brings out a model of love and peace
- \* The world acknowledges 50 years since Apollo XI astronauts walked on the moon, and the role of the Church in the historic trek
- \* Vanessa Comninos was changing her baby's nappy when she first heard the call to Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish, Springfield – and it changed her life forever.

Still only \$2

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

Fernando Rampa, Tom Gallagher, Mary Scanlan, Maud Menezes and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.