



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."

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 21th/22nd Sept 2019

In the spirit of Laudato Si' during the Season of Creation, we are putting a lot of our old used Office paper to use. We have made lots of A5 size "notepads" if you would like to have one. They are at the back of the church. Take as many as you want.—Thanks to some of our guests in the convent for their help in cutting them up etc.

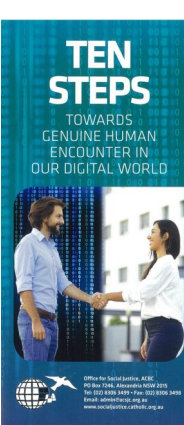
The Plenary Council of the Australian Church
How God is calling us to be Christ-centred Church that is ...

HUMBLE, HEALING AND MERCIFUL:

Come along for this exciting chance to **influence the direction of our Church in Australia** with your own prayer and reflective contributions."

TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS MONTH: TODAY (SUNDAY) after 9am Mass OR this Wednesday (25th) 7pm in the meeting room.

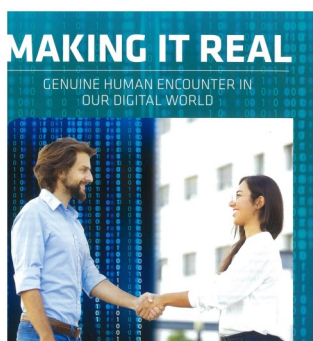
The other themes will be reflected on each month on the 4th Sunday and Wednesday at the same times mentioned above. This will be for six months all together with a break for December and January.



We celebrate **Social Justice Sunday** on 29 September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: **'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world'**. It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it.

THERE ARE COPIES OF THE STATEMENT AND A "SUMMARY BROCHURE" AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH TODAY.

For further details:
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Last weekend—you had the opportunity to take home a "Story Sheet" to help you to share your personal experience in either or both these areas: **SAFE AND CONNECTED COMMUNITIES**—How have you experienced the consequences of a community that is more fractured and individualistic? **REAL JOBS FOR A REAL FUTURE**: How have you personally experienced under-employment, unemployment (as an older person as well as the young), bad environmental practices. **PLEASE PLACE YOUR RESPONSES in the box at the back of the church OR hand them into the Parish Office OR place them on the plate.** If you missed out on getting a story Sheet, there are still some available at the back of the church today. We'd like you to write down your story as a basis for future campaigns.

Archbishop's Message: At the meeting with various groups last Saturday, the Archbishop commended the parish and also urged us (and the whole church of Australia) to work more diligently in three areas:

- 1) **Support for justice for Migrants and Refugees**
- 2) **Care for the Environment** in the spirit of "Laudato Si"



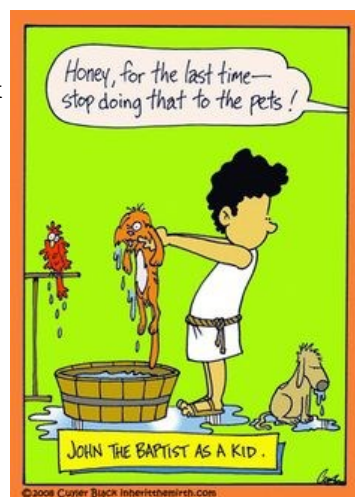
- 3) **Work more "outside our boundaries"** with other organisations for the common good, and here he commended us for our involvement in the Queensland Community Alliance.

Happily, we could say that we are involved already in all these areas and see it as an important part of

proclaiming the 'Good News'. **CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY and keep up the GOOD work!!!**

THANK you to all who put aside extra time to meet with Archbishop Mark on Saturday Afternoon and thanks to all who brought extra food for the after Mass cuppas (and to celebrate my 66th birthday). It was a good weekend for all of us. — Denis.

School holidays begin this weekend! Enjoy the break with your kids! Safe stay! Play nice!



The 26th week in Ord Time (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Amos 6:1, 4-7
2nd Reading: Timothy 6:11-16
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31



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. We have catalogues with a huge range of gift ideas for new babies, Baptism, birthdays and other special occasions.

Pope Francis in Madagascar last week: the Lord is not looking for lone adventurers. ... Certainly, we can accomplish great things on our own, but **together we can dream of and undertake things undreamt of.**"



Composting V's Recycling - what's the difference and does it matter if I get it right or not? There is some confusion about the parish initiatives to be more aware of our impact on our earth. We have introduced a **compost bin** which will be collected and turned into compost for gardens. All the catering products ie paper cups, napkins, wooden cutlery and all food items can be placed into the compost bin. Think about what chooks may eat!

The **recycling bin** takes the same things as your wheelie bin at home with the bright yellow lid. These things are returned to make new products out of glass, plastic, cardboard or metal.

We have received some stickers and posters to help you clear the confusion about which bin for what. I'd appreciate some feedback and suggestions as to what is working and what could work better.

So now you know the difference, does it matter? Yes, it does! We are paying to have our compostable matter collected and will be charged if the collection is contaminated with non-compostable items.

You can place any type of food scrap, leftover, spoiled or out of date food into your organics bin. This includes:

- Fruit and vegetable peels and scraps
- Meat and seafood scraps and bones
- Egg shells
- Dairy products (cheese, yoghurt etc.)
- Bread, pasta, rice, cereal
- Coffee grounds and chaff
- Tea bags
- Out of date food (processed or fresh)
- Confectionery
- Processed food
- BioPak certified compostable products
- Only use BioPak compostable bags

So, now for those pesky things that you don't know what to do with. Plastic disposable plates are not compostable and you'll need to look for a recycling mark. If in doubt place in domestic waste. How about cling wrap? Cling wrap also falls into the domestic waste bin. Teabags? Compostable!

And then we have Containers for change! This is for any containers which have the recent logo for refund printed on the label. These can be delivered to the collection point near the Everton Park Tavern quote our number **C10195625** for donations to the parish.

Congratulations to MIRIAM SMITH who, at Sat. 5pm Mass this weekend becomes fully initiated into the Church through celebrating her first Communion! We the church thank Carly and Tristan, her parents for their example and commitment to Miriam's faith



The new roster has been sent out. Thank you all for volunteering to assist at the liturgies on the weekend. If you did not receive an email with a roster attached, please let me know and I will add you to our distribution list. Print copies are available from Mary's Room. If you are unavailable for your rostered ministry, please arrange a replacement. In the event that you are unable to find a replacement, please make contact with the coordinator for that mass. Many thanks for your continued support of this valuable ministry.

An Opportunity to 'Unpack' Laudato Si

One of the many marvellous things about Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, *Laudato Si*, is that it is written in a very accessible style. The six chapter document, clearly places before us, our integral relationship with the environment. Throughout the letter there are calls to dialogue, a perfect invitation to come together as a group to discern and discuss. The Pope encourages us to respond *with* our Creator *to be* active caretakers of all that He made. Our challenge is to understand how each one of us is able to make that response.

The Environment Committee will host an 'Unpacking of Laudato Si', with a series of meetings, each one addressing a chapter of the encyclical. We will use a document penned by Jesuit priest, Fr Thomas Reese, *A Readers' Guide to Laudato Si* to support discussion through the sessions. We encourage the Parishioners of our Future, our youth, to join the discussion, your voice is valued.

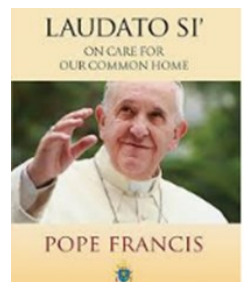
Please register your intention to join the discussion group via the forms available at the back of the church or through the Parish Office. Louise will contact you with further details. During the meeting we will enjoy something to nibble and drink. You can download a free copy of the encyclical from <https://laudatosi.com/watch> or contact the Parish Office and we will organise to have one printed for you.

Laudato Si- Discussion Group Weekly Meetings Commencing

Tuesday October 8th at 7.00pm – hosted in a Bridgeman Downs home

Or

Friday October 11th at 9.45am (following Mass)-hosted in the Parish Meeting Room



OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION

St. Stephen's Cathedral 5th October 2019.

Rosaries (two mysteries) 10.30AM

Marian Mass 11.30AM

Process around the streets approx 12.15PM (Elizabeth St, Adelaide St, Edward St, Cathedral)

Benediction to conclude at the Cathedral.



Road Safety — increasingly we are encountering impatient drivers when people wish to turn into our Church Car-

park for Mass. Please make sure you indicate you intended turn in plenty of time and gradually slow down so they have plenty of notice of what you are doing and also to give the inattentive driver plenty of time to know what you are doing. It may save an accident..

Laudato Si' (Pope Francis) — Also from Pope Francis: "Young people remind us that the Earth is not a good to be wasted, but a legacy to be transmitted . . . we owe them real answers, not empty words; facts, not illusions."



Note from the office....

There will be some maintenance work this coming week on the **phone system** which we share with the school. If you are having trouble getting through to the parish office by phone, try sending an email. The computer system shouldn't be effected. Any outages should be short and temporary—that's what I've been told!

We need volunteers for the Piety Shop! Do you know anyone with loads of time and a degree in retail? That's Okay, we don't need them. We need you! Can you spare a few minutes before and after mass, a couple of times a month. Our volunteers need help!! **Still Looking!! We may have to start trying the methods listed here.**



"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." (Luke 16:13)

Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

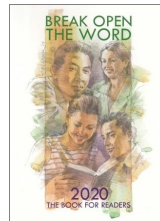
Tennis Courts for Hire
with lights

CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



Break Open The Word for 2020 contains readings and psalms for each Sunday with a commentary designed to provide not only background to the text but assistance on how to read it. Break Open the Word is a vital publication for readers. The new liturgical year begins on the first week of Advent. Order sheet at rear of the church.(\$18 each)



Brisbane Healing Retreat - Our Lady & St Dymphna's Church, Aspley

Fri 27 Sep 2019 & Sat 28 Sep 2019

Bro Johnson Sequeira, a Catholic lay preacher from India and founder of the Jesus Christ is Lord Ministry (JCILM) will be leading a healing and deliverance retreat in Brisbane. He is blessed with the gift of healing among other gifts of the Holy Spirit. Many lives have been touched and transformed at these retreats. Come and be blessed. Bring a friend who needs healing too. More information on our noticeboard.

RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

TEN APPROACHES



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COLLECTIONS

Date	8th Sept	15th Sept
1st Collection	\$1439.50	\$321.00
2nd Collection	\$2047.50	\$598.00
Loose	\$543.05	\$352.15
DD 1st (Aug)	\$2063.50	
DD 2nd (aug)	\$7845.50	

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STOPline Service: 1300 304 550 or
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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	23rd	8.30am 6.00pm	Mass Divine Mercy Prayer Group
Tues	24th	8.30am 7.00pm	Morning Prayers and Communion
Wed	25th	9.30am	Indoor Bowls
Thurs	26th	8.30am	Mass
Fri	27th	9.00am	Mass
Sat	28th	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation (until no one is waiting) Mass
Sun	29th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	Mass Mass Rosary Mass

We pray for those recently deceased including:

Wendy Irwin, Claire Van Wessen, Vivian Kelly, Joan Long, Palemata Lolani Leaupepe, Sr Valerie Green RSC, Ray Modystack, Desmond McNamara, Margaret Casey, Jenny Walters, Incoronata Serafina and Fr Michael O'Sullivan.



We pray for those who are unwell

Eadie Curry
Molly Rampa
Maureen Jones
Sonia Officer
Rita Butt
Abbie Sweeper
George Axisa
Jack Charalambous
Irene Johnson
Georgia Evans
Mary Law
John Blumke
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

- * Brisbane Catholic barrister delivers shocking snapshot of abuse, neglect and disadvantage suffered by people with disability in a new royal commission.
- * Newly-professed Canossian Sister brighened' by vows, committing to a life of love and service.
- * 2017 Community Leader of the Year winner and vice-president of St Vincent de Paul society Queensland, Annette Baker lives by a simple motto, 'try and do something for someone every day'.
- * Contradiction exposed in the 2019 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare report – how Australia is ranked in the top-three of the most liveable countries in the world, yet one in four Australians suffer from loneliness.
- * Emergency services battle more than 70 fires burning across Queensland, sparking the spirit of generosity among volunteers and donations towards the Vinnies fire disaster appeal. Kenmore parish invests in the future of the Church, capturing every opportunity of formation for young people.
- * Cathy and Mark Delaney spent most of their married life in the slums of India, hoping to bring justice for the poor through a life of simplicity and service.

We remember those whose anniversary of death occur about this time including Rose Colledge, Cameron Flanagan, Williamson Family, John Daniel Coyle, Kathleen Cronin, and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.