



# 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-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19th/20th October 2019**

**W**hile Fr Denis is away on Holidays – Fr Stephen Byrne, Fr Mario Debattista OFM, and Fr Harry Chan OFM will be presiding at the weekend Masses for the next 4 weekends. Fr Stephen Byrne will be available for any funerals.

**Sacrament of Penance** –No "Confessions" on Saturday afternoon at 4pm.

**Weekday Liturgy** – Our usual Weekday Masses will be replaced by Morning Prayer with Holy Communion.

## ASYLUM SEEKER NEWS:

- 1) A **75 year old Iranian** man lives with his son and family now but would like to move out because of not being treated well by his family. He has a Centrelink payment and therefore can pay some rent. The man would like to live independently in a small flat. He uses a walker and thus will need a ground floor house.
- 2) An **Eritrean woman** is interested in getting cleaning jobs in and around Stafford. She is very keen to work, is reliable and available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. If interested, call the Parish Office who can facilitate a reference if needed.

## Special Ministers for St Vincent's Hospital

**Northside:** Hospital is currently seeking Special Ministers of the Eucharist to assist our Spiritual Care team. In this role you will have the opportunity of joining the healing ministry of Jesus Christ by visiting our

patients to offer them the blessing of Holy Communion. Roster will be for Wednesdays, Fridays and the 2nd Sunday of each month. Ideally you are already a Special Minister and are available between 8.30am – 12noon. Please contact Sharyn Smith, Volunteer Coordinator to receive an application form: Sharyn.smith@svha.org.au or phone 3326 3156.

## 'PRECIOUS IN HIS EYES'

PHOTO EXHIBITION FOR CATHOLIC MISSION - October 23—November 3

Join the Brisbane Team of Catholic Mission at a photographic exhibition to mark the Extraordinary Month of Mission, as declared by Pope Francis for October 2019. Entitled 'Precious in His Eyes' the Exhibition will showcase images of missionary work undertaken around the world, particularly in response to the needs of children.

**Venue:** Percolator Gallery, 134 Latrobe Terrace, Paddington 4064.

**Viewing Times:** Wednesday 23 Oct to Sunday 03 Nov 10am to 4.30pm.

**Contact:** Phone 3352 4560  
Email: info@percolatorgallery.com.au



**T**he Plenary Council of the Australian Church *How God is calling us to be Christ-centred Church that is ...HUMBLE, HEALING and MERCIFUL.* TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS MONTH: SUNDAY 27th after 9am Mass OR Wednesday (23rd) 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.

### How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire for individuals and groups within and also beyond the Church to find a better welcome and be incorporated more into her life and mission. There was a call to renew forms of governance and leadership in the Church, to find ways formally and informally of being co-responsible for ministry and mission, seeking structures and processes of collaboration, shared decision-making and financial co-responsibility in order to enable this greater involvement of lay people particularly of women, young people, people of diverse cultural backgrounds and people with disabilities. There was an expressed need for stronger connections across the many parts of the Church, and with other Christian traditions.

### How God is calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is



## The 29th week in Ord Time (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Exodus 17:8-13  
2nd Reading: Timothy 3:14-4:2  
Gospel: Luke 17:18:1-8



**C**ounters Roster Team A: Terry Gesch, Gary McLean, Fay Barrett and Margaret Sheehan.

**R**eligious Goods Shop: We have a large range of cards, religious icons, rosary beads and medals. We have catalogues with a huge range of gift ideas for new babies, Baptism, birthdays and other special occasions.

### **A**n 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.

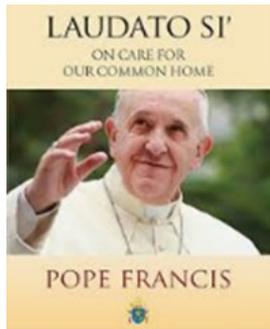
The six chapter document, clearly places before us, our integral relationship with the environment. The Environment Committee will host an 'Unpacking of Laudato Si', with a series of meetings, each one addressing a chapter of the encyclical. We will use a document penned by Jesuit priest, Fr Thomas Reese, *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.

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**

**THIS Tuesday** October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm – hosted in a Bridgeman Downs home Or

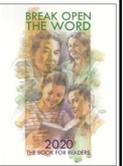
**THIS Friday** October 11<sup>th</sup> at 9.45am (following Mass)-hosted in



the Parish Meeting Room

**It's not too late to join the discussion groups. If you would like to join the discussions next week please advise the parish office.**

**B**reak Open The Word for 2020 has been ordered and will be available for collection from next weekend. Payment can be made at the 'shop', through the week at the parish office, via envelope on the 'plate' clearly marked or by using the payment link which was sent out to all readers. This link is also on the home page of the website. Cost is \$18.



### **M**ass songs music practice

If you would like to join parishioners who practice current and new mass songs, please join us at the church on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am for approx. one hour.

You do not need to read music and will not be asked to sing solo at mass. This is a relaxed practice so people feel more confident when singing songs during mass, especially at the 7am mass where there is often no cantor.



You are most welcome to just turn up on the day, but it helps us to have enough copies of the songs if you let me know in advance. Please leave a message with Gwen: 0431 234443.

**S**halom media Australia is a ministry committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ through various media outlets, primarily through Television, Internet and Print media.

The focus in writing to you now is to seek your prayers and support for the following events in Brisbane.

**Jesus Heals:** This two-and-a-half-hour parish program is Shalom's latest offering. Many are burdened and depressed by sicknesses and ailments. Jesus Heals offers a unique opportunity to gather and seek healing of mind and body and soul. The program features preaching, Healing Mass, praise and worship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus Heals will be held in five different churches by the end of this month. More information in the noticeboard.



## DO NOT FEAR for I am with you

Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Ghana, as they provide ongoing protection and development of children who are vulnerable.

In line with traditional beliefs, in parts of Ghana, children born with a disability, or whose mother passes during childbirth, are considered to be 'spirit children', and thus at risk of being harmed or killed. The Church in Ghana is dedicated to protecting these children and educating families to ensure every child has a chance to live a full life. Next week you will learn more about Sister Stan and the Nazareth Home for God's Children, which is leading these efforts in the diocese of Yendi.

You will be offered the opportunity to personally partner with the Church in Ghana as a monthly giving partner, with all gifts specifically directed to life-saving projects for children in need – please come



**I**s God's will in your Will? Including the church in your Will teaches others about giving back to God for the blessings He has given you. With your wishes expressed in a Will, the ministries of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish can be blessed. Your gift can also impact our parish in perpetuity by supporting our parish endowment fund. Contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 for more information or call the parish office.

**Hospital Pastoral Carer  
(Volunteer)**

Centacare trains and supports Catholic pastoral care teams to provide pastoral and spiritual care to hospital patients, their families and hospital staff. If you would like to find out more about this very rewarding role and if you have the time and availability to commit to a training course throughout 2020, including practical placements in a hospital, you are invited to join Fr John Chalmers, Director, Mission and Formation for Centacare and Judy Norris, Director, Centacare Pastoral Ministries, for an **Expressions of Interest morning tea**.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 10am - 11.30am**  
Surfers Paradise Parish Hospitality Centre, 50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters

**OR**  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 10am - 11.30am**  
St Bernard's Church Community Centre, 4 Klump Road

Upper Mt Gravatt  
**For more information and to RSVP, please call Judy on: 3324 3193, or email: [judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au](mailto:judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au)**

*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 involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.*

**Going over our church finances** I found a receipt from a local paint store signed by someone named Christian. I wasn't aware of anyone buying paint, so I called the store to point out its mistake. "I'm sorry," I told the manager, "but there are no Christians here at First Baptist Church."

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**P**ope Francis calls modern slavery '...a crime against humanity.'

Modern slavery exists in Australia in different forms:

- Workers from developing countries are brought into Australia by traffickers using force, fraud or coercion in order to exploit them;
- Girls and young women are being forced to marry;
- People, including children, in developing countries are working for little money, or are enslaved, to produce goods we use every day.

ACRATH\* works with the community and government, and health, education and civic leaders to bring about systemic change and prevent human trafficking and slavery.

ACRATH calendars bring this daunting issue to life with up to date stories of people and initiatives. Funds raised from the sale of the calendars enable

ACRATH to coordinate the work of many volunteers in this education and advocacy work. Also, a percentage of the funds is donated to a ministry directly involved in anti-trafficking work in South East Asia.

**The parish social justice group will have ACRATH calendars available for sale at all Masses on 26-27 October**

**Cost: \$10.\*** *Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans*

**ACRATH 2020 Calendar**



**P**lanned Giving Envelopes for the new campaign should be in use now. If you have any old envelopes, please discard them. There are still some boxes of envelopes to be collected. If you were expecting envelopes are have not received them, please let me know.

**I** heard that hot cross buns were spotted in a supermarket this week. The 2020 Lenten program, **Be Opened – A journey to new life (Reflections on the Gospels for Lent and Easter Sunday – Year A)** will be available to pre-order from mid-October 2019. This will include six sessions for Lent and one session for Easter Sunday. Time to plan ahead for Lenten preparation. More information coming soon.

*"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." (2 Timothy 4:2)*

*It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.*



### 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](mailto:pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)  
 Parish Pastoral Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto: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  
 STOpline Service: 1300 304 550 or  
 AOB@stopline.com.au or  
 www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

### Queen of Apostles School Contacts

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 School Principal: Nigel Bird  
 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	21st	8.30am	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b>
Tues	22nd	8.30am 7.00pm	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b> <b>Laudato Si Discussion Group</b>
Wed	23rd	9.30am 10.30am 7.00pm	<b>Indoor Bowls</b> <b>Funeral Mass</b> <b>Plenary Meeting</b>
Thurs	24th	8.30am	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b>
Fri	25th	9.00am 9.45am	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b> <b>Laudato Si Discussion Group</b>
Sat	26th	10.00am 4.00pm 5.00pm	<b>Music Practise</b> <b>NO Reconciliation</b> ( <i>while Fr Denis is away</i> ) <b>Mass</b>
Sun	27th	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	<b>Mass</b> <b>Mass</b> <b>Rosary</b> <b>Mass</b>

**We pray for those recently deceased including:** Laurie Fischer, Elaine Russell, Jackie Broughton, Sr Imelda O'Brien RSC, Sr Jean Montgomery RSC, Wendy Irwin, Claire Van Wessen and Vivian Kelly.

### We pray for those who are unwell

Vincent Jenner  
 Mary Law  
 Nerida Versace  
 Nora Stevens  
 Eadie Curry  
 Molly Rampa  
 Maureen Jones  
 Sonia Officer  
 Rita Butt  
 Abbie Sweeper  
 Irene Johnson  
 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 unex-**

**pectedly** 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 Assembly brings hundreds of Catholics together to listen to the voice of God on October 4 and 5.
- \* Bishop Anthony Randazzo named shepherd of Broken Bay diocese.
- \* A senior professional in the death-care industry says Queensland's laws are "failing dismally" to protect bereaved families and workers.
- \* Brisbane Catholic Sally Hood opens up about her experience with endometriosis.
- \* Red Frogs is 'Red-y' for Schoolies 2019, where they minister to young people across Australia.
- \* Nominate your Catholic hero for The Community Leader Awards 2019 – visit [www.theleaders.com.au](http://www.theleaders.com.au) to nominate online. Nominations close October 20.
- \* Capuchin Father Thomas McFadden loves being a Capuchin Franciscan Friar and wants to inspire young people to live the Gospel.
- \* Catch the Seniors Week Guide in this week's edition of The Catholic Leader.
- \* Darwin Bishop Charles Gauci shares his story about his first year leading and ministering to Catholics in the Top End.



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**We remember those whose anniversary of death occur about this time including** Francesca Antonaglia, Domenico Antonaglia, Angelo Di Mauro, Rose Colledge, and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.