



# *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."*

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 26th/27th 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.

## **'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:** Wed 3 Oct to Sun 03 Nov 10am to 4.30pm.

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

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

## **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.

## **ASYLUM SEEKER UPDATE:**

1) We have not had any response to help the elderly gent. Please share his story in the hope that we are able to assist him.

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) We have had a great response to the notice about **An Eritrean woman** interested in getting cleaning jobs in and around Stafford. Thank you for supporting her in gaining work.

**P**hone problems having been testing me this week. If you have been unable to phone the office and have access to email, please try me on email. We think we have a temporary fix but it will need further attention in the coming weeks. Sorry for any inconvenience caused. Debra

**T**he Plenary Council of the Australian Church **How God is calling us to be Christ-centred Church that is ...HUMBLE, HEALING and MERCIFUL.** LAST OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS MONTH: SUNDAY 27th after 9am Mass ) in the meeting room. The Parish response to **Missionary & Evangelising Focus:-**

1. We need to lay more informed foundations related to today in our Catholic Schools and with young adults.
2. Decision makers need to be Community Centred. Greater focus on St Joseph as a role model for step-fathers.

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



## The 31st week in Ord Time (YEAR C)

1st Reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10



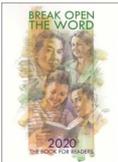
**C**ounters Roster Team C: Brian Davissen, Kev Haley, Peter Dove and John Dalton.

**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.

**L**audato Si - Our weekly meetings continue 'Unpacking of Laudato Si'. Great conversations and many practical ideas shared. It's not too late to join us! Contact the Parish Office for the Bridgeman Downs address or join us in the Meeting Room on Friday mornings.



**B**reak Open The Word for 2020 has been received and will be available for collection from this weekend from Mary's room. Only those who have paid for their book will be able to collect. As payment is received, the books will be available for collection from Mary's room. 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.



**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.

**O**ur parish has registered with this recycling initiative. If you would like to use the service and donate the funds to the Parish, simply take your containers to the depot and enter our registration identification number: **C10195625**.



Ten cents per item will be refunded into the parish account; that money can be reinvested into projects which further support our community. The nearest collection point is: Envirobank at Everton Park Tavern, 101 Flockton Street, Everton Park. Opening hours: Mon-Sun 9am to 3am

**A** Profoundly Rewarding Mission Working in Education, Health and Trades? Assist to reduce poverty in overseas communities by sharing your skills. Mutual development assured! There are five places left on Palms Australia's January 4th - 12th Orientation Course. You must apply now for a position beginning any time in 2020. Call or text 0422 4PALMS (M-F). palms.org.au



*A pastor was speaking to a group of second-graders about the resurrection of Jesus when one student asked, "What did Jesus say right after He came out of the grave?"*

*The pastor explained that the Gospels do not tell us what He said. The hand of one little girl shot up.*

*"I know what He said: He said, 'Tah-dah!'"*



## DO NOT FEAR for I am with you

Sister Stan Mumuni is at the forefront of the Church's work in reaching out to children in need in Ghana. As the director of the Nazareth Home for God's Children, Sister Stan works endlessly to provide education, healthcare and a safe home for children rescued from life-threatening situations.

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. The Nazareth Home for God's Children is among the pioneers in this crucial mission.

Today you have the opportunity to personally partner with the Church in Ghana and offer monthly support to this essential work. All gifts will be directed to life-saving projects for children in need. Your one-off gift today is also very much appreciated and will make a great difference to those in need.

**Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Ghana**



### 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 Klumpp 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.*

### **S**afeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults

While many in our community have completed all the requirements of the safeguarding policy of the Archdiocese, there are several that have incomplete applications. If you are on the liturgical roster, you must register as a volunteer through the **Welcome portal** <http://archbne.org/welcome>

*...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.  
Mark 10.14*

I have many outstanding applications through the Welcome portal. Please review the email confirmation to determine if you need to print off forms and present them at the parish office. If you **hold keys to the church**, you also must register through the **Welcome portal**. If you are unsure about your ministry role, the Welcome portal will determine based on your ministry what is required of you. If you are still unsure, please contact me in the office. Please help us to make our parish a safe parish! Thanks, Debra

## Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans

Funds raised enable volunteers to educate the world of the appalling practise of Modern Slavery and to advocate against this barbaric treatment of precious human life. Calendars on sale after each Mass.

### ACRATH 2020 Calendar



The parish social justice group will have ACRATH calendars available for sale at all Masses this weekend.



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



### Stewardship *a way of life*

*"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Luke 18:14)*

Pride and ego is the root cause of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable, your talent is better than anyone else and your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Remember all those gifts were God-given. Instead we should be humbled by God's abundant generosity and our hearts should overflow with gratitude.

**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.

## Tennis Courts for Hire with lights

**CHEAP RATES!**

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



  
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 Parish WEBSITE: [www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au](http://www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au)  
 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**

Address: 10 Thuruna Street, Stafford  
 School email: [pstafford@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pstafford@bne.catholic.edu.au)  
 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	28th	8.30am 6.00pm	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting</b>
Tues	29th	8.30am 7.00pm	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion Laudato Si Discussion Group</b>
Wed	30th	9.30am 7.00pm	<b>Social Club Plenary Meeting</b>
Thurs	31st	8.30am	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion</b>
Fri	1st	9.00am 9.45am	<b>Morning Prayer and Communion With morning tea afterwards Laudato Si Discussion Group</b>
Sat	2nd	4.00pm 5.00pm	<b>NO Reconciliation (while Fr Denis is away) Mass</b>
Sun	3rd	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	<b>Mass Mass Rosary Mass</b>

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

**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**

- \* The Church in Australia is calling for a united call to prayer for rain for embattled farmers suffering drought.
- \* Active Refugees and Migrant Integration Australia founder Protais Muhirwa says a million Australians don't speak English, blocking pathways to employment and wellbeing.
- \* Centacare's Nicole Morgan organised a water drive, sending two fleet buses and a trailer full of water to Stanthorpe.
- \* Brisbane Catholic schools celebrate the Indigenous graduation at St Stephen's Cathedral.
- \* Faith inspired rehabilitation program helps Australian military veterans forgive and ease decades of suffering.
- \* The Frassati Fraternity recently held their first muster since their formation in 2011, showcasing the evangelising spirit of young Catholic men.
- \* Emotion hits Bishop Shane McKinlay as he takes up the call to lead in regional Victoria.
- \* Jonathan Hohl's bad New Year's Eve night in Fortitude Valley helped him rediscover his faith.

Still only \$2



**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.