



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."

The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year A 27th/28th June 2020

Seat Numbers: Block **A, B, C** etc); Row (**1,2,3** etc) Seat (**b, c, d** etc) – Starting Right Hand side of Row. E.g. see **C4e** in diagram

Social Distance Seating: 1.5m for those NOT from same household. These sit in seats with **RED** label. Those from **SAME HOUSEHOLD**: First person sits on seat with **RED** label, all others to the left of this person.

Social Distancing: Unless walking straight past someone, maintain 1.5m distance.

For Communion, please keep to marks on the floor and follow arrows

To HC. From HC

LEGEND:

B = Block of Seats; **2** = Row; **e** = Seat

= Sanitising Station

M = Communion Minister

= Allocated Seat (Individual or 1st Household person (rest to left))



Hi all,

I need your help. We have a **BASIC DECISION** to make that will be determined by the 'popularity' of our three Mass times (Sat 5pm, Sun 7am and 9am) AND the **legal requirement** of 'social distancing' and thorough **cleaning** of the building after each Mass. Another issue is that some will not be able to attend any because of their own health/vulnerability or that of their family. **THEREFORE:**

If you do NOT have email, **please ring** the Parish Office (3356 7155) **BEFORE 11AM next Monday (29th)** informing me **which Mass is the preferred Mass** you **WILL** be attending - Sat 5pm OR Sun 7am OR 9am. (Each is asked to **choose ONE** time only.)

Those with emails have already been asked and have until **11am Monday** to respond.

Possible results are: 2 Masses and a Zoom OR 3 Masses and possibly no Zoom. **What are your thoughts about either alternative?**

In line with the (current) Government social distancing guidelines, we are allowed a maximum of 100 people in attendance at Mass (including any people standing outside the church—so we aren't able to have any 'extras' stand there during Mass. As you will see

the seating has been re-arranged, hand sanitiser is provided and people are asked to 'sign in' to enable 'contact tracing'. Sadly any 'cuppas' after Mass won't happen and the kitchen and shop will remain closed.

See the above picture of our COVID-19 Church layout - which is an **interim idea of how Entering and Leaving will be done and how we will manage Holy Communion**. Providing there are no more Virus outbreaks and Rule changes, we will be physically gathering together again on the weekend 11/12th July.

AND!!! We will need **at least one "Marshall" for each Mass**. Duties will include an **OVERSIGHT** of what's happening to ensure Covid-19 requirements are kept (especially when I'm away and there is a visiting priest). More details coming. Of course, we will thoroughly inform you what to do.

AND!!!! There will be **some changes we will all need to get used to**. We have not finalised procedures yet and would be keen for **positive alternative suggestions** that help us **celebrate good Liturgy** and ensure we **obey the current Covid-19 restrictions**. Some of

The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

1st Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

2nd Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30



the things we are considering are happening everywhere in other parishes. e.g.

Remembering that we are **required by law to know who is present** at a Mass/function and have their **contact details**:

- ♦ People will **have to "book in" for a particular Mass** in the preceding week. Debra will allocate seats accordingly. **NO BOOKING = NO ENTRY**. (People with mobility issues and other "special" circumstances will be considered e.g "Grandma" and kids present but from different households. **This all means you probably won't be able to sit in your usual seat.**

- ♦ It may seem silly, but **Parish is responsible** for 'social distancing': **NOT in same household = 1.5m separation** (even if you arrive in the same car!)

Some parishes **REQUIRE that everybody is present before the starting time**. **If you're late, you lose your booking** and, providing maximum number has not been reached, 'speccies' will be allowed in.

You have experienced **more regulation of movement at the shops** and so you will already be familiar with a more regulated movement during the **Procession to Communion**. Looking at the map, you'll see the directions of movement, keeping at least 1.5m apart, and requiring you to sanitise your hands just before receiving. (There will be Sanitising stations just before you receive. Once you sanitise your hands, you are encouraged to join them with your fingers intertwined so your hands don't accidentally touch anything before receiving.) **ALL Communion will be on the hand and none on the tongue.**

At least, I think, until we have a vaccine, this may be the **new 'normal'**. We are thinking long-term to avoid constant changing and are trying to ensure that how we worship is **Good Liturgy** AND in a way that does not harm those for whom the virus is potentially deadly. We are also trying our best to ensure that all are treated **equally and justly**. — Denis.

How can you help us??

We need to fill a roster. Refer to the list to the left. Some of our regulars may not be attending Mass as they fall into the vulnerable category. Please don't wait to be asked, if you can help with any of the usual roles please do so. If you've always wanted to know why the Air Stewards smile so much, offer to be an usher. You can have all the power and tell people where to sit and how to

exit the aisle when we touch down!

If you are new to the roster, **please register as a volunteer on the <https://archbne.org/welcome>**. This needs to be completed before any roster begins. Please contact me in the office by phone or email to volunteer. Thanks in advance, Debra

All marshalls/ushers will need to have some training/ information about the role they play at Mass.

In summary

- ♦ **Volunteer for the next roster**
- ♦ **Book in for Mass**
- ♦ **Contact Tracing sheet completed**
- ♦ **Social distance from others**
- ♦ **Use Hand Sanitizer**
- ♦ **Arrive with enough time to be seated by usher**
- ♦ **Leave promptly after Mass**

After you leave this is what happens

- ♦ **All seating that is used, is cleaned before next service**
- ♦ **All hard surfaces are cleaned**
- ♦ **All altar ware is cleaned before next service**
- ♦ **Toilets are cleaned**

Social Justice group news

The Social Justice Group would like to encourage you to dig deep for those in our local community and surrounds who are doing it tough through Winter. As there are so many great causes to support, we have researched a few local organisations that focus on local needs of people living on the streets and sleeping rough.

Rosies – Friends on the street



Rosies connects with people in need, who are abandoned, socially isolated, lonely.

Rosies ask "please help us help our friends on the Streets by making a donation that will see us able to provide more than the warmth of conversation and connection.

They urgently need to provide Sleeping Bags, Blankets, Socks, Cuppa Noodles. New items only for hygiene purposes." We suggest perhaps donations would be more suitable at this time.

To donate <https://give.everydayhero.com/au/stafford-catholic-parish>

Rosies is a community of people sharing the Oblate spirit of daring. Inspired by the Gospel, Rosies reaches out to those most abandoned, to be present with them, offering them experience of community and belonging.

Rosies Prayer
O Jesus,
Make our hearts so human,
That others may feel at home with us,

So like Yours ,
That others may feel at home with you,
So forgetful of self
that we might simply become the place
where You and they meet

In the power of Your Love and the joy of
Your friendship.

Amen

Orange Sky Laundry

What We Do

We have a simple formula; we provide a platform for every day Australians to connect through a regular laundry and shower service. The focus is on creating a safe, positive and supportive environment for people who are too often ignored or who feel disconnected from the community. Our volunteers are not social workers or experts on homelessness - they are empathetic listeners and great conversationalists.

Orange Sky positively connects people experiencing homelessness with access to free laundry, warm showers and, most importantly, genuine conversation. Over the past five years, we have been forced to innovate to support the community to recover after major events like bushfires and floods - and now is no different. We will be forced to do things differently, but nothing will stop us from supporting our friends on the street at a time when they need us most.

To donate https://donate.orangesky.org.au/?utm_source=Internal&utm_medium=Banner&utm_campaign=ContinueConnection&utm_content=EOFY

Paddy's Van Appeal - St Patrick's College Shorncliffe

As a College we have grown significantly over that time, but one thing remains unchanged – our commitment to justice and peace for all and standing with those in our society who are marginalised. We encourage every student to do this by living our faith through action. Our flagship Paddy's Van program is just one way our students immerse themselves in community



service. By assisting with the van, our students soon realise it is about more than just distributing food and blankets. It is about gaining a more genuine insight into those on the margins from society and seeking to form relationships with them. Donation info will be supplied next week.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

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

Mark 10.14

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that 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 by all.

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 Archdiocesan Code of Ethical Behaviour and adherence to legislative imperatives of the State.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and Visitors to our sites.

*"Everyone who acknowledges me before others
I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." (Matthew 10:32)*



Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

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CHEAP RATES!

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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. **SUSPENDED**



Do you need a
small blessing?

smallblessings.com.au

Volunteer Registrations via the Welcome app have been very successful here at Stafford. We have had a positive result overall with parishioners going online to register as a volunteer and completing the requirements needed to follow the Safeguarding Policy set down by the Archdiocese. I have done an internal audit of volunteers and found many have not completed ALL of the requirements. Several volunteers have not completed the mandatory police check or the statutory declaration. If you are not sure if you have completed ALL ASPECTS of the volunteer registration please contact me in the office. Some Blue card forms are also outstanding. If you have used the welcome portal and received an email requesting you do a police check or print your Blue Card form, please check that this was actioned.

Thank you , Debra

AN OINTING OF THE SICK

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

We pray for those who are unwell



Ron Kerr	Sr Elizabeth
Mary Law	Chris Stevens
Maureen Scott	Jack Charalambous
Colin Kenny	Maria Rosa
Carmel Remphrey	Pam & Norm Ward
Madonna Power	Irene Johnson
Barbara Jones	

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

Gordon, Gargano, Maud Menezes, Matthews, Ketter, Rowbotham, Horn and Sheehan families and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.

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We pray for those recently deceased including:

Christopher Smyth
Yvonne Dixon
Sr Virginia RSC
David Mather
Noel Wood
Jack Jones
Patrick McKewin
Alex Pipe
Fr Peter Conroy
John Blumke

