



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 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 4th/5th July 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 

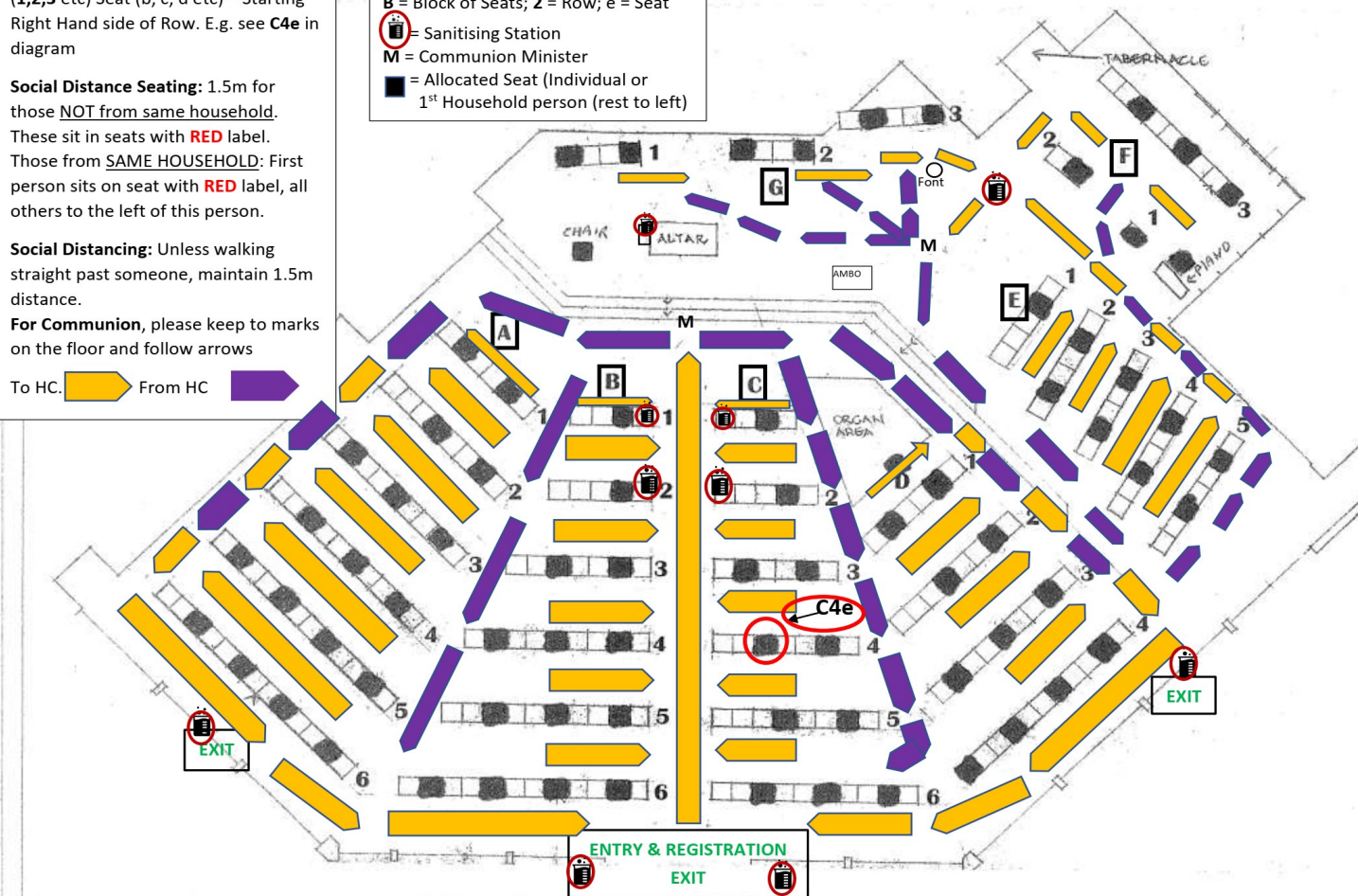
LEGEND:

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,

SURVEY RESULTS and what's going to happen for the foreseeable future: These are the number of people who indicated they will attend the various Mass Times: **Sat 5pm: 55; Sun 7am: 29; Sun 9am: 49.**

Therefore we will be recommencing ONLY the Saturday 5pm and Sunday 9am Masses from the Weekend 11/12th July.

I am very sad for those who have faithfully celebrated the 7am Mass for decades. **Many of you helped build this parish** and that is one reason I have resisted this decision. However many of you who normally celebrate 7am Mass are in the vulnerable category (which is one of the reasons you indicated you will not be attending.)

This leaves us with **the challenge of not abandoning you**. One step is from the weekend of 11/12th July onwards, we will be **celebrating a ZOOM Liturgy of the Word** as we have been doing for so long now. This will be **at 7am from that weekend**. (I am currently seeking quotes and investigating the possibility of "ZOOMING" our Parish Masses from the church so that those who cannot attend physically may still feel involved in some way with your parishes' celebration.)

THE OTHER GREAT CHALLENGE is to find a safe way to **share Holy Communion with you at home**. For starters, could you **ask someone you trust who comes to Mass** whether they would be **willing to bring you Communion**. If they are, please let the Office know and we will guide them as to how to do that. They are suitable if they are **regulars here at QofA's Masses**. Don't be shy about it - this is a very important and valid option the Church has always used from the beginning (2000 years ago) for those who cannot attend with the community.

IF YOU, THE READER, KNOW PEOPLE IN THE PARISH WHO DO NOT RECEIVE THE PRINTED NEWS-LETTER, PLEASE INFORM THEM OF THIS NEWS.

What if I have a cough?? Lots of people have coughs because of smoking, or other reasons and it is not necessarily from Coronavirus. I'm trying to find **an authoritative source describing the Coronavirus Cough and some tips to identify it** so that people don't necessarily feel they have to avoid coming to mass. If I find some Authoritative information I'll let you know. If you have some **reliable** information, please send it to me with the source of the information so I can share it.

What if I am 70 years or older or in the 'vulnerable' category?? The advice from the Health people is that

The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11
2nd Reading: Romans 8:18-23
Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23



you **not go out unnecessarily** and put yourself at risk. We at Stafford will do all we can to ensure the safety of everyone who comes to pray. **HOWEVER**, if you're vulnerable and decide to take the risk, it will be **your responsibility**. **REMEMBER**: We are **relying on everybody else as well**.

PLEASE DO NOT COME TO CHURCH (and let us know if you've already booked) if:

- You are unwell, or
- You have symptoms of COVID-19 including fever, cough (see above), sore throat or shortness of breath; or
- Have returned from overseas travel in the last 14 days; or
- Have been in contact with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19.

How can you help us??

FOR THE YOUNGER GENERATION (i.e. Under 70 years!!)— we need 'Marshals' - especially for the Sat 5pm Mass. It's not a difficult job but essential to ensure we keep our community as safe as possible from getting or spreading COVID-19. Please email Denis or ring the office if you can help.

So what do we need?

- **Volunteers for the next roster — Masses and ZOOM Liturgies.**
- **REMEMBER:**
- **Book in for Mass WHEN we advertise it.**
- **Give you Contact information so that Tracing sheet can be completed**
- **Keep Social distance (1.5m) from others**
- **Use Hand Sanitizer**
- **Arrive with enough time to be seated in your allocated seat(s)**
- **Leave promptly after Mass**

After you leave Mass, 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**

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

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 show-

ers 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 soon.

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.

How to book a seat for Mass



You will receive an email if you are on an email list for newsletters etc. with a link for mass bookings. We are using the Eventbrite platform for mass bookings.

You will need to contact the parish office by phone or email if you are unable to use the link for Eventbrite. I will have some seating available for those people.

Using the Eventbrite link should be easy and straight forward. Click the Green Register button and follow the prompts. Please be aware that there is more than one mass listed, so please ensure you are booking into the mass time you are wanting to attend.

We are all learning new things at the moment and online ticketing is new for me—and maybe you too. There may be some teething problems, so please do let me know if you are experiencing problems with the booking procedure.

Those on roster will still need to book a ticket to reserve a seat. Even Fr Denis will need to book a seat - the bookings manage the number of attendees at Mass.

I hope you are able to enjoy the return to celebrating Mass and the blessings of reconnecting with one another. Debra

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." (Matthew 11:30)

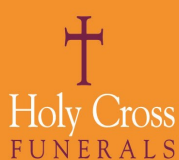


When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent, and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

Tennis Courts for Hire with Lights

CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



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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

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

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:

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

