



# 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."*

**Fifth Sunday in Lent – Year B 20th/21st March 2021**

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2021:



A big **"Thank you"** to our **retiring** Councillors from the team of 2020:

**Saju Mathew, Anne Thomas, Grace Cortes, Barbara Winkle and Christine Lindsay.**

A big **"welcome"** to our new Councillors. Our

current Parish Pastoral Council is: **Carol Barrett, Ben Campbell, Esther Decklam, Wesley Decklam, Nicholas Forster, Viviana Nicholls, Sonya Mangano, Helen Royan, Zara Savellon, Jules Tisdal and YawHan YawHan.**

Please share with then any thoughts you have about how the Parish will journey into the future after the turmoil of COVID.

## CALL TO ALL CATHOLICS

In an advertising campaign in February and March featuring international cricketer, Matthew Hayden, the Archdiocese of Brisbane is inviting all baptised Catholics to reflect upon what it means to be baptised Catholic.

We're looking for your help to:

- \* Pray for the opening of hearts
- \* Accompany those who are seeking
- \* Welcome new faces

There will also be fliers in your parish that you can give to family, friends, or colleagues who might be interested.

**To sign up to be an accompanier or join the prayer, or to find out more, go to:**

[www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic](http://www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic)



## Our LENTEN preparation for EASTER:

**Celebrating the Forgiveness of our Sins:**

**Why not celebrate our common Sinfulness and that God never ceases to forgive and show us mercy? On TUESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> March, 6.30pm,** we will celebrate the



Second Rite of Penance. **How to do that??** All those who wish to celebrate are asked to consider their sins, (spend some time reflecting on **"why do I do these things"**) and **write them and your answer down on a piece of paper BEFORE** coming to church

that night (DO NOT include your name!!). The basic structure of the Second Rite is: Introduction, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Penance and concluding rite. During the Liturgy of Penance, you will process forward, hand your **OPEN sheet** of paper to Father, receive Absolution and return to your place.

**The Care for Creation Group invite you to journey The Way of the Cross each Friday during Lent.**



Join us at 9.30 am or 5.30pm each Friday, commencing 19<sup>th</sup> February. There will be **Stations of The Cross on Good Friday at 10am.** Bookings essential.

### Easter Triduum Mass Times

**Tuesday 30th March 6.30pm** Reconciliation 2nd Rite

**Holy Thursday 1st April 7pm** Service

**Good Friday 2nd April 10am** Stations of the Cross

**Good Friday 2nd April 3pm** Service

**Easter Vigil 7pm**

**Easter Sunday 9am**



# Call to all Catholics

## Sixth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 15:1-39



## PROJECT COMPASSION BE MORE

Halima is raising her two children in a refugee camp in Bangladesh while

caring for her mother, who has a disability. Widowed at 21, Halima fled violence in Myanmar's Rakhine State and arrived at the camp with nothing.



Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, helped Halima out with a shelter, cooking equipment, hygiene and

sanitation training. She took on the role of community trainer herself, organising the cleaning of washrooms, wells and toilets.

Halima aspired to 'Be More'. She is proud that she is now able to earn a small income while maintaining the health of her family and the cleanliness of the camp community.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.**

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS - VIRTUAL OR LIVE-IN, APRIL or MAY 2021

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples, priests and religious to a **Marriage**

**Encounter Weekend** to enrich and revitalise your Sacrament. It gives you the opportunity to grow in your relationship with your spouse or your community.



**Virtual weekend via Zoom, 30th April – 2 May 2021, commencing at 7pm on Friday – concluding at 4pm Sunday.**

**Contact Mobile: Julie and Zyg Staszyc -**

**0437 388 513**

**Email: [sabookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:sabookings@wwme.org.au)**

**Live-in weekend Friday 28 May - Sunday 30 May**

**at Ormiston (on Brisbane's bayside).**

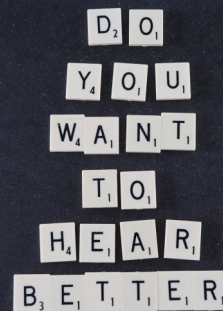
**Contact Phone: Maria and David Murphy**

**(07) 3342 1456**

**Email: [dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au)**

**Information website: [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)**

**LISTEN EVERYWHERE** is the programme we use in the church to help those who have difficulty hearing. If you have hearing aids, we first need to know if they use Bluetooth and/or T-Coil systems. Please read your manuals or contact your provider to find out and then we can 'plug you in.'



**Salubong** – You are invited to a traditional Filipino Easter Sunday Dawn "Salubong" Celebration on 4 April 2021 at Our Lady and St. Dymphna's Church 479 Robinson Rd. Aspley. It starts with a procession around the church at 4:30am followed by the re-enactment of the meeting of the Risen Lord and His Mother, Mary believed to have happened at dawn of Easter Sunday; and culminates with a Holy Mass (in English) at 5:00am to be celebrated by Rev. Fr. Saldie Resolado. There will be a choir of angels, apostles and other bible personages. Register to attend via Trybooking on Our Lady and St. Dymphna's website (<https://www.trybooking.com/BJXIV>). Fellowship follows after the mass at KidSpace, Chermerside. There will be Easter Egg Hunt, games for the young and the young at heart. Light breakfast will be provided but you are most welcome to bring a plate to share (individually packed food). For further info contact Jima on 0432374239."

## CONSULTATION FOR WOMEN

Catholic women are being invited to participate in a national consultation via Zoom on March 27. The event invites women to articulate and celebrate their contribution to and vision for the mission of the Catholic Church in Australia. The event is being organised by the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry. Find more information at [www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicwomen](http://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicwomen)



## ST STEPHEN'S GUIDES AND WELCOMERS

Do you enjoy meeting people and love our Cathedral?

Do you want to learn more about our Cathedral's art and it's rich history, and share your knowledge with our visitors?

If this sounds like you, the rewards of joining the Cathedral Guides and Welcomers is beyond measure. A comprehensive and interesting training programme is provided. If this ministry appeals to you please contact the Cathedral 3324 3030 or email: [cathe-dral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathe-dral@bne.catholic.net.au) by **Monday 12 April 2021** to register for the Cathedral Guides and Welcomers Information Day being held in the Francis Rush Centre in the Cathedral precinct on Thursday 15 April 2021 @ 10:00am.



# Hop to it!



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Although restrictions have eased and the national roll out of vaccinations begun, the larger crowds expected at Easter time still requires parishes to be vigilant and follow COVID safe practices.

For churches in the Archdiocese of Brisbane this means everyone must pre-register and book to attend Masses. For Stafford parish, please visit our website to book for yourself or the family online.



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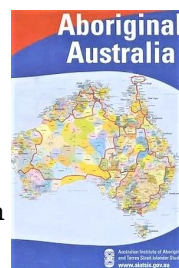


What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbours and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

**Project compassion Envelopes** - If you have been using these envelopes since Adam was a boy—you may be using them incorrectly! If you are new to using these envelopes—take note! There is a receipt attached to the envelope. **Tear this receipt off.** Place inside the envelope or discard if you aren't wanting a tax invoice. **Do not leave it attached to the envelope.** It makes my job of counting the monies extremely hard as the receipt is torn when opening the envelope. Your receipt may be missed altogether as its stuck to the front of the envelope. Please help make this job a little easier. Thanks Debra

### Social Justice Group News

Following the recent release of the Brisbane Archdiocese Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), the Queen of Apostles Social Justice Group has started work on drafting a RAP for our Parish. The RAP will provide opportunities to renew and deepen relations between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples and those of other heritages, with the aim that this will lead communities on a new path of trust and respect, **(See the NOTICEBOARD outside for a large map of the various language, social or nation groups of Indigenous Australia).**



### What's on this week at Stafford

Mon 22nd	8.30am	Mass
Tues 23rd	8.30am	Morning Prayer with Communion
Wed 24th		English Language Classes are having a break
Thurs 25th	8.30am	Mass
Fri 26th	9.00am 9.30am 5.30pm	Mass Stations of The Cross Stations of The Cross
Sat 27th	5.00pm	Mass with Livestream Zoom
Sun 28th	9.00am	Mass with Livestream Zoom—see page 4 for details.

## Tennis Courts for Hire with lights

**CHEAP RATES!**

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



### Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

Address: 70 Appleby Road, Stafford  
Parish email: [stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)  
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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](http://www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com)

### Queen of Apostles School Contacts

Address: 10 Thuruna Street, Stafford  
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APA: Leanne Murray  
APRE: Ben Campbell  
School Office Hours: 8.00am - 4.00pm (Mon-Fri)  
Phone (Thuruna St:) 3352 9200  
Phone (Chuter St:) 3326 0400

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

*Eddie Nicholson, Barbara Cavanagh,  
John Blumke, Michael O'Donnell,  
and all deceased  
Parishioners, their  
families and friends, and all our  
brothers and sisters in Christ  
maimed, killed or  
dispossessed because of their faith.*

### We pray for those recently deceased including:

*Noel Davis, Shirley Coe,  
Barry Thompson,  
Michael Daley, Maria Vieira,  
Irene Johnson, Bruce Oxenham,  
Jo T'Erheegde,  
Jose Elmer Torib and Colin  
Kenny*

### 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 of the list.

**BAPTISMS** in this Parish occur at 10.30am on the Third Sunday of each Month (**except** during Lent and OCTOBER).



For BAPTISM BOOKINGS please contact the Parish Office.

### We pray for those who are unwell

Fay Barrett, Gordon Jardine, Isaac and Brendan Camille, Bob Devine, Nicole Dyer, Pina Padayhag, Caitlyn Lengkeek, Rupert Officer Jnr, Brian Officer, Mary Axisa, Beryl Cowie nee Officer, Sonia & Fernando(snr) Palmer, Peter O'Donnell, Paul Glynn, Sonia Officer and Pam & Norm Ward

### Live Stream Mass via Zoom

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81808532313>

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