



# 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 Feast of The Most Holy Trinity – Year B 29th/30th May, 2021**

**Our COMMUNION PROCESSION**—Until we have another COVID crisis, you are invited to come own the **centre aisle in pairs.** (*Don't forget to sanitise your hands as you do please.*)

**THE THINGS WE DO IN OUR PARISH—CONTINUED FROM LAST THREE WEEKS (as well as all the things individuals do to spread the "Good News" to work, family and society!**

## **Teams**

Teams are groups of four to seven couples that learn together to help each other bring Christ to their marriages and ultimately every phase of their lives. A team meets to share prayers, a simple meal, their life stories and events, their attempts (and often their failures) to grow together as a couple in union with God through discussion and sometimes sharing their material goods and skills.

## **Tri-Care Eucharistic Ministers**

The team works in pairs (2 people) per visit. We offer to pray with and give the Holy Communion to the Catholic residents.

## **Welcoming**

A "Welcome Pack" is available for new parishioners in the holders at the doorways of the church. It includes various information about our parish and invitations to become a part of our community via a census form, a request to share in responsibility for the maintenance of your new spiritual home though joining our Thanksgiving Programme; information about how we safeguard the welfare of children and vulnerable adults. (all these forms are also on our website.)

Should you wish your new home (if you've moved into our area) to be blessed, please see Fr Denis or contact the office to arrange a suitable time. If we can do anything else for you, please don't hesitate to ask.

Of course, we know that if you ask any of our current Parishioners, they will help you in any way they are able.

## **Youth Ministry**

This is an age-specific religious ministry of faith group in the Parish usually from ages 12 to 30, whose mission is to support young people in the church as they move from their parents' and other authorities' understanding of faith to their own mature relationship with the Lord and His Body the Christian Community enacted in using their gifts for the good of the Community and the world..

## **Indoor Bowls**

Suspended during Pandemic

## **Social Club**

The Social Club is a Club: for people of any age, male and female, which meets in the parish hall on alternative Wednesdays to the Indoor Bowls Club. A cup of tea or coffee and a chat starts the morning. Fees: Annual Fee \$2.00, entry with a lucky door ticket \$1.00 and Raffle ticket \$1.00. Entertainment, Raffles, Bingo, Hoy, Bus Trips etc are provided. New Members are most welcome.

## **Tennis Court Hire**

The parish owns two flexipave tennis courts, which are available for hire between 8.00am and 10.30pm seven days a week. We accept regular and casual bookings (depending on availability) and bookings can be made through the Parish Secretary.

## **Outside School Hours Care (Catholic Early EdCare - CEEP)**

Previously a successful and profitable service run by the Parish. Since early 2000's has been managed by Centacare employed by the PARISH (not school) to provide Before and After School care for children and also Vacation Care. It's operation is overseen by the Parish Finance Council. It is supposed to support parents AND be a source of income for the parish.

## **Parish School - Queen of Apostles**

The Queen of Apostles School is the major way in which we as a Parish Community try to fulfill the promise we made through the Godparent(s) at a child's baptism. The Parents of the child promised to bring he/she up in the "practice of the faith" and the Godparents promised to help the parent(s) in their duty as Christian Parents. The school has two campuses with children in Prep, Years one and two attending at the Early Years Campus at 46 Chuter Street and the children in Year Three to Year Six at the Thuruna Street Campus. Applications for enrolment can be submitted at the office at Thuruna Street. An application form can be obtained by phoning the school secretary, (Ph: 3352 9200) or downloaded from the school website at <http://www.qofa.qld.edu.au> .

## **Our Lady Queen of Apostles Care for Creation Group**

The earth is essentially a shared inheritance, whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone." (Pope Francis, Laudato Si, Chapter 2). The Care for Creation Group was formed in response to Pope Francis' encyclical

## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Year B)

1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8

2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

Gospel: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26



### [Daily Mass Readings](#)

Laudato Si and his call for 'ecological conversion'. We have a commitment to Peace and Ecological Stewardship which is guided by formation, learning and action. Our decisions and initiatives are informed by current thinking on sustainable practice. Our methodology and behaviours reflect our commitment to stewardship of creation and respect of all mankind.

**AND THAT'S THE LOT!!** If you are interested in joining any of these groups/activities, or starting a new one, or re-starting any that have lapsed, please see a Parish Councillor or Fr Denis.

### Congratulations to ISAAC WALTER

who, at 9am Mass this weekend becomes fully initiated into the Church through celebrating his first Communion!

We the church thank Lea and Anthony, his parents, and Amelia and Jesse, his older siblings for their example and commitment to Isaac's faith.



### CARITAS APPEAL

**THIS WEEKEND AFTER MASSES, THERE WILL BE A COLLECTION AS YOU LEAVE MASS FOR THIS APPEAL. (THE PARISH WILL SEND IT TO CARITAS)**

Caritas Australia, in partnership with Caritas India, is providing support to vulnerable communities as the nation is devastated by massive increases in COVID-19 infection rates. The communities which Caritas works with are among the most vulnerable to COVID-19, with poor access to clean water and Personal Protective Equipment. We are accepting donations through our Asia Emergency Appeal which can be found here: <https://caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia-emergency-appeal/>. Please consider giving generously towards this as we support these vulnerable communities now, and assist them as they start to rebuild their lives in the future.

**We are hoping to restart our "cuppa", initially on the weekend the PPC makes its presentation and perhaps also to re-introduce our Christmas in July talks later this year. To do this, and to comply with regulations, we need a few people to complete a Food Handling certificate. There is no cost. It**

is done online and you can use a Parish Computer if you don't have your own. **If you are interested, give your name to one of the Parish Councillors or ring the office and tell Debra.** If you already have a Covid safe food handling or food preparation certificate and are interested in helping please let us know so we can add you to our food handlers register.

### [SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION AND Eucharist—2021 \(for children](#)

[who are 7years or older in](#)

[2021\) The Introductory](#)

[Meeting for the new pro-](#)

[gramme is on TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup>](#)

[JUNE at 7pm. \(RSVP: TUES](#)

[1<sup>st</sup> JUNE\)](#)

*(For your calendars: Parent*

*and child meetings will be*

*June: 22; July 13; Aug 10;*

*Sept 7 & 14; Oct 12; Nov*

*9).*

This meeting will inform you about the programme, what's required and show you how to enrol.

Our parish looks forward to helping parents in this most important responsibility.

No date is going to be convenient for everyone. **If you cannot attend this meeting, then you will need to postpone until 2022.** As

Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them.

-James A. Baldwin



with soccer, dancing or whatever, we need to choose a "sign on" date and it is **ESSENTIAL** that at least one parent **organise their diary to be present at this meeting.**

Please SIGN IN for this meeting using this link: <https://bit.ly/3gCQZfe>.

**(RSVP: TUES 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE)**

For background about your child(ren)'s formation go to our website <https://bit.ly/3aDiiCv>

**PLEASE NOTE:** This programme is for **families who live and/or worship in Stafford Parish** as the core of the programme happens in the context of our weekend masses. (If you have difficulty enrolling on-line, please ring the parish office or email Fr Denis –

### **N**ational Reconciliation Week 27 May- 3 June 2021

<https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/>

**This year marks twenty years of Reconciliation**

**Australia. *More than a word. Reconciliation takes action*** urges all people to take up the challenge of brave and impactful action. The Reconciliation movement is 'at a



tipping point’, with Black Lives Matter protests and increasing numbers of Australians taking part in Invasion Day rallies nationwide, people are understanding the truth and voicing their call for action on issues affecting Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

*More than a word. Reconciliation takes action* calls on all Australians to take this awareness and knowledge and use it as a springboard to more substantive, brave and committed action.

**The artwork commissioned by Reconciliation Australia was designed by Jessica Johnson.** The artist explains...” The artwork reflects our connection and mutual obligation to one another, community and Country. Through commonality and difference, we



have the ability to come together and achieve real change. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples have been listening to the heart beat of the land and sea for generations. With their rainbow shaped souls the spirits ask for us to join and make reconciliation more than a word, take action. We need to

love one another and every aspect of the existing environment and community- we all have a role to play.”

**Elements of the Artwork**

- Spirit souls= thinking/awareness
- The undulating landscape is shown through the contours at the base of the work
- Moons/planet= cycle and time
- Stars= navigation and knowing the way
- Boomerang= coming full circle. 20 boomerangs represent 20th anniversary of Reconciliation Australia
- Central river= the crying river represents the degradation/call for renewal.

**“Your light must shine before all so that they may see goodness in your acts.”** (Matthew 5:16) We should view our giving in gratitude to God by considering how blessed we are... using our gifts and talents for the good of others. A gift in any amount given through your Will benefits future generations of parishioners. For more information on naming Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish or our Endowment Fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.



*“The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ...” - ROMANS 8:16-17*



If we are heirs to the kingdom of God, shouldn't we work to build up His kingdom? Shouldn't we be good stewards of our inheritance, using our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to care for the Church that God has left to us? Our Church is a treasured heirloom from God. Do we treat it that way?



**Talk to us – we're Listening**

**Join your Parish Pastoral Council via Zoom on**

**Thursday 3 June 7.00-7.30pm**

to consider how we are...

A parish community that

- ◆ Feels a strong and growing **Belonging**

And how we

Focus within and beyond our parish through

- ◆ Welcoming and **inclusion**

and what we can do in the next 12 months to enhance these areas.

*Use the same link for livestream zoom mass to attend the Parish Pastoral Council meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.*



**Tennis Courts for Hire**  
**with Lights**

**CHEAP RATES!**  
Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday

What's on this week at Stafford		
Mon 31st	8.30am	Mass
Tues 1st	8.30am	Morning Prayer with Communion
Wed 2nd		
Thurs 3rd	8.30am 7.00pm	Mass Parish Pastoral Council Zoom
Fri 4th	9:00am	Mass
Sat 5th	5.00pm	Mass with Livestream Zoom—see page 4 for details.
Sun 6th	9.00am	Mass with Livestream Zoom—see page 4 for details.



### 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)  
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](mailto:AOB@stopline.com.au) or  
[www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com](http://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: Ben Campbell  
APA: Leanne Murray  
APRE: Kym Waters  
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 and OCTOBER).

For BAPTISM BOOKINGS please contact the Parish Office.



### 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.

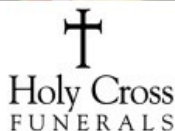


### Let Us Pray

#### We pray for those who are unwell:

Crad Smith, Sr Dorothy, Glenda Honan, Fay Barrett, Pam & Norm Ward, Isaac and Brendan Camille, Bob Devine, Nicole Dyer, Caitlyn Lengkeek, Rupert Officer Jnr, Brian Officer, Mary Axisa, Beryl Cowie nee Officer, Sonia & Fernando (snr) Palmer, Peter O'Donnell, Paul Glynn and Sonia Officer.

**We pray for those recently deceased:** John Dove, Maria Calini, S Khan, Dean Sarrra, Nerida White, Faye Gundy, Laurence Rooney, Dorothy Jones, Gordon Jardine and **those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Maud Menezes 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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