

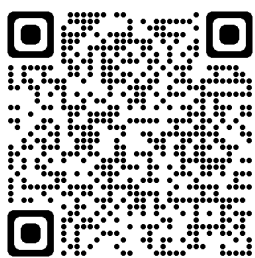


# Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish, Stafford

A Parish of the Brisbane North West Deanery

*Vision: "To follow the example of Jesus by serving others."*

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 11th/12th September, 2021



Once a year, our Parish Finance Council gives you a brief summary of our community's finances. Like all of you we are **totally self-funding** and the main source of our income is the generous people who donate regular amounts to our parish weekly or monthly.

Before COVID started, we estimated that it **costs \$12.43 per man, woman and child per Mass** for us to meet current costs and put some money away for future needs. I know that we are all stressed out with the uncertainty of COVID and its consequences, and some of you are experiencing extra financial stress.

**I am a regular giver** (via DD) and I **invite you to consider either Joining** our group of generous regular givers (Direct Debit, Credit Card etc) or, if you are already one of those, **consider adding an extra couple of dollars** to what you regularly give.

If you ever want to see a statement of our accounts, let's know. They are **fully audited every year** by PKF Hacketts.

**Scan the QR Code above** or click on [this link](http://www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au/finance-council.html) [www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au/finance-council.html](http://www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au/finance-council.html) and you will go to the page of our Parish Website where you can join a regular giving method/donate a once off donation/edit your current giving.

**This Weekend**, members of our **Parish Finance Council** will give you a brief report about the financial status of our parish.

**Thanks again for your Financial, Prayerful and other practical support of our Parish, Denis**

Gracious God,  
you love and care for all of your children,  
especially the smallest and most vulnerable.  
We entrust to you the lives of children  
and adults at risk who have been sexually abused,  
and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed.

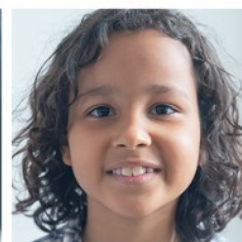
Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take  
responsibility for those whose lives have been broken.  
Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by  
abuse, and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace  
communities and families will find  
understanding and support, so that now and in the future  
their wounds may be healed  
and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children  
and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength,  
peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your  
Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.  
Amen

**This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday**, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday)



## SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2021

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021



## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

1st Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

2nd Reading: St James 3:16-4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

[Daily Mass Readings](#)



### MULTICULTURAL MASS

Celebrate the diversity of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Brisbane as we unite in a colourful display of the celebration of the Eucharist at the annual Multicultural Mass. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will celebrate the Mass alongside our priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. Cultural dancing, performances and coffee in the cathedral grounds will follow.

**Time:** 2:30pm – 4:30pm

**Date:** Sunday 26th September 2021

**Location:** St Stephen's Cathedral

**Register:**

<https://annualmulticulturalmass.eventbrite.com.au>



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." (Mark 8:34)

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me



**Stewardship**  
*a way of life*

## WE NEED YOUR HELP - AND ACTION

We need you to help us ensure the euthanasia Bill is defeated. We need your action – **NOW**.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

1. Pray all Queenslanders might respect Church teaching that life is sacred from conception until natural death and that our MPs support a fully funded palliative care system, negating the need for assisted suicide.

2. Arrange a meeting with YOUR local Member of Parliament

To find who they are

**CLICK HERE**  
OR TYPE IN

<https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/members/current/list>

3. Please also email your views to YOUR local Member of Parliament

**CLICK HERE**  
OR TYPE IN

[https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition\\_2105\\_ocp\\_qld](https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2105_ocp_qld)

Please stand with the Queensland Bishops and medical experts in opposing this legislation.

*Dying with dignity already exists - it lies in being able to access high quality palliative care statewide.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Queensland Parliament, in the next few weeks, will be debating and voting on controversial laws to make euthanasia and assisted suicide legal in the state.

These laws, if passed, will overturn foundational principles that have underpinned our medical and legal systems for centuries – the ethic of 'do no harm' and the prohibition on killing. We need to do all we can to protect Queenslanders rather than assist them to die. Euthanasia and assisted suicide laws undermine the fundamental relationship of trust that should exist between a patient and their doctor. They have the potential to put vulnerable Queenslanders who are elderly or terminally ill at risk of wrongful death, including placing pressure on them to take their own lives so as not to be a 'burden' on their family and friends. We have seen this occur in countries overseas which have gone down this path.

I am asking you to take two important steps today.

First, I ask you to sign this petition to the Queensland Parliament, asking them to reject these euthanasia and assisted suicide laws.

The petition is sponsored by HOPE, a single-issue coalition of groups who oppose euthanasia and assisted suicide.

Petition link: [https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition\\_2108\\_qld](https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2108_qld)

Second, I ask you to email your Queensland State Member of Parliament and urge them to oppose the introduction of these laws.

Send an email to your MP link: [https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition\\_2105\\_ocp\\_qld](https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2105_ocp_qld)

This matter is now urgent. Vulnerable sick and elderly people in Queensland need your help to ensure these lethal laws are not passed in this state. I urge you to sign the petition and email your MP today, and ask friends and family to do the same.

As always in the Lord, **MOST REV MARK COLERIDGE**

Archbishop of Brisbane





# Care for Creation

## Laudato Si Chaplet

During the Season of Creation, each Friday following 9.00am Mass we will pray the Laudato Si Chaplet. This is a simple prayer of meditation and repetition, in the way of St Francis, on the gifts of creation. Join us for prayer, just five peaceful minutes: a great way to start your day.

Laudato Si, mi Signore



**The Queen Of Apostles Men's Group** meets on the third Friday of the month. It is open to any senior gents in the parish - married, widowed, single, clergy, retired or working. They will meet on **Friday 17th September** at Café 63, Stafford City 10.30am. All Welcome. **Phone Gary McLean (ph 3863 4149) for more information.**

**The Piety Shop has moved into the parish office foyer.** Pop in for all your Confirmation and First Eucharist gifts We have a large range of gifts for children celebrating the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist including gift cards. There is also a great range of gifts for Baptism and new babies. You will also find a range of books, wall art and rosary beads, saints medals and figurines. If you are looking for something special please pop in through the week. Fr Denis will like to hear from any willing assistants to help after Mass. If interested, let me know and I will give you some training on Eftpos etc. Debra.

## Things to do while you can't do what you want to do. Sort the parish archives!

We had our first gathering of history buffs and organised minds on Wednesday morning. Some progress was made! The common phrase at the end of the morning was 'We will be here for years!'. If you have some time to spare and would like to know a bit more about our wonderful community, come along next week. For those with a great memory for names and faces, this should be on your calendar. Morning tea is provided and there was a great atmosphere in the room. Don't be shy -join in the fun!

## STAMPS FOR MARIST MISSIONS

Thanks to our Stamp Savers we have sent \$100.00 to the MM from sales on eBay. This will assist villagers and refugees on the Myanmar/Thailand border. We can readily sell recent stamps in good or unused condition. Please leave a border around the stamps, as they are worthless to collectors if they are damaged or have corners missing. We realise they are harder to come by nowadays, but if you or someone you know works in an office or department that receives larger volumes of mail, perhaps you could organise saving these stamps for us. They can be left in the specially marked box to the left of the main Church entry. Thank you and God Bless !

**Liturgy Brisbane** is proud to announce the launch of our new online formation and training platform for all involved in lay liturgical ministry.

Lay liturgical ministers can now access quality online training and learn at their own pace, in their own homes, at times that suit them.

- No more face-to-face workshops with low attendance
- New volunteers can begin training immediately
- Consistent, quality formation and training for all ministers
- Certificate confirms participant's completion of the course

Each fully online course contains short videos, readings, quizzes and course notes. Content includes an introduction to liturgical ministry and an overview of ministries and the Mass, followed by specific training for each ministry.

Courses can be completed over multiple sessions - participants stop at any time and pick up where they left off.

This short video provides more information:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JegF5DSLFD4>

Initial Courses:

- **Ministers of the Word (Readers) Course (180mins)** \$18.00

- **Ministers of Holy Communion Course (150 mins)** \$18.00

- **Combined Course: Readers & Communion Ministers (240 mins)** \$25.00



## What's in the diary this week at Stafford?

<b>Mon 13th</b>	8.30am	Mass
<b>Tues 14th</b>	8.30am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer with communion Confirmation Liturgy
<b>Wed 15th</b>	10.00am	Parish Archive Gathering!
<b>Thurs 16th</b>	8.30am	Mass
<b>Fri 17th</b>	9.00am 10.30am	Mass Men's Group
<b>Sat 18th</b>	5.00pm	Mass with Livestream Zoom
<b>Sun 19th</b>	9.00am	Mass with Livestream Zoom



### 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 Local Safeguarding Representative:

**Helen Royan Phone 0407 372 540**

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

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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:

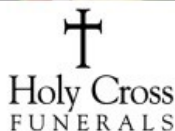


Fr Paul Glynn, Bruce Willson, Veronica Nicholson, Don Allerta, Fay Robertson, Maurice & Alison Drake, Bob Devine, Jose Pitts, Brian Wellman, Luca de Pascalis de Moraes, Rose Ann Takas, Nicki Goodman, , Caitlyn Lengkeek, Elizabeth Martin, Sr Dorothy, Fay Barrett, Norm Ward,

#### We pray for those recently deceased:

Francisco Aliviano, May Smith, Patrick Sommerville, Peter O'Donnell, Jim Henry, Tom Lynch, Kay Dunn, Ari Vargas, Angel Bathen, Jill Barrett, Kathy Brady, Rene Ulcoq, Weny Bargayo, Joan French (Mother of Alison Golden), Jean Tisdall, Sr Elizabeth Pointing RSM,

**And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Jack Wilson, Francis Savellon, Joyce Davis, 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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- ♦ Catholic writes book detailing spiritual trauma of Mass restrictions during pandemic
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