

## 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."

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 19th/20th Feb, 2022

## Commissioning of the new Parish Missional their children over three meetings. For both at least one PARENT AND CHILD(REN): Dates

This Weekend at both Masses we will bless and commit to support and work with our new Council.

church, God wants

you to BE His church!

Firstly:

Thanks to those Councillors who have completed their term of office: Zara Savellon, Nicholas Forster, Viviana Nicholls, Yaw Han, and Jules Tisdall.

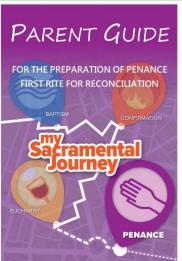


Tony Leaupepe, Talesia Leaupepe, Peter Roberston,

Paulina Paulina, James Fitzsimon, Martha Brogan. They are joining our continuing Councillors: Carol Barrett, Esther Decklam, Wesley Decklam, Sonya Mangano, and Helen Royan.

Let us now pray for these who will be catalysts for our parish as we discover where Jesus is calling us this year and in the future.

ongratulations to ANTHONY LIASI and ALY LIASI who, at 9.00am Mass this weekend become fully initiated into the Church through celebrating their first Communion! We the church thank their parents, Dapa and SunSun for their example and commitment to their childrens' faith.



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TEN or older in 2022

are welcome to enrol their child for this preparation which will begin on MONDAY 14th March (see below).

Please go to the link below to complete the enrolment form on or before Monday 28th

February. If you cannot enrol via the internet, please ring/email the Parish Office (pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au or 3356 7155) and other arrangements will be made. The Parish Team will help Parents prepare

at least one PARENT AND CHILD(REN): Dates are: Monday 14th March 6pm, Monday 21st March 6pm; Monday 28th March 6pm. Here's the link to enrol: https://bit.ly/34vAZIt

## Have you pondered the meaning behind the Synod Logo? Read on and be enlightened.

A large, majestic tree, full of wisdom and light, reaches for the sky. A sign of deep vitality and hope which expresses the cross of Christ. It carries the Eucharist, which shines like the sun. The horizontal branches.



opened like hands or wings, suggest, at the same time, the Holy Spirit.

The people of God are not static: they are on the move, in direct reference to the etymology of the word synod, which means "walking together". The people are united by the same common dynamic that this Tree of Life breathes into them, from which they begin their walk.

These 15 silhouettes sum up our entire humanity in its diversity of life situations of generations and origins. This aspect is reinforced by the multiplicity of bright colours which are themselves signs of joy. There is no hierarchy between these people who are all on the same footing: young, old, men, women, teenagers, children, lay people, religious, parents, couples, singles, healthy, disabled; the bishop and the nun are not in front of them, but among them. Quite naturally, children and then adolescents open their walk, in reference to these words of Jesus in the Gospel: "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned and revealed them to little children". (Mt 11:25)

The horizontal baseline: "For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission" runs from left to right in the direction of this march, underlining and strengthening it, to end with the title "Synod 2021 – 2023", the high point that synthesizes the whole.

### **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)**

1st Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

2nd Reading: Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

### **Daily Mass Readings**



What's on in the coming week's at Stafford?		
Mon 21st	8.30am	Mass
Tues 22nd	8.30am	Morning Prayer of the Church with Communion
Wed 23rd		
Thurs 24th	10.00am	Funeral Mass for Neville Lamb
Fri 25th	9.00am	Mass Men's Group
Sat 26th	10.00am	Music Practise in the Church

Lent is around the corner! This year the Archdiocese are encouraging us to prepare with daily reflections in this handy pocket sized format titled, 'The Spirit and the Cross' (\$5). For those that placed an order, your reserved copy will have your name on the back cover. If you missed the deadline and are wanting a copy of the Lenten program - I ordered extras! For those of you that 'live life on the edge', get in fast as I probably won't be able to place a second order. Last year all supplies were exhausted, so don't hesitate, you may miss out! Debra

**Stations of the Cross** will commence on Friday 4th March at 5.30pm and continue each Friday during Lent at 9.30am and 5.30pm in the church.



### NCLS Survey - your views are important to us.

As you are aware Our Lady Queen of Apostles parish is conducting the National Church Life Survey during February (deferred from 2021) with an opportunity for the congregation to complete the attenders survey during mass on the weekend of 26/27 February. We know that some of you may wish to complete this form online. The links to both the Child Survey (for children 8-14), the Attender Survey and Community Survey are listed below, together with the Church code for our parish. Online surveys should be completed by 25 February.

Our Church Code is – TAB09801. Click the tile to be directed to your survey.



The **Attender Survey** is to be completed by all church attenders aged 15 years and over

The **Child Survey** is for child attenders aged 8 to 14 years.





For people in the local community who are connected to a church but

don't regularly attend.



### BE PART OF THEIR JOURNEY

Your gift can help support novices as they become Church leaders for their communities.

CLICK HERE TO DONATE TODAY!

This year is an exciting one for Catholic Mission as we prepare for the impending beatification of Pauline Jaricot, a young, faith-filled woman who, desiring to support missionaries around the world, founded the Society for the Propagation of the Faith 200 years ago. As the first Pontifical Mission Society, it endeavours to support communities in need and is a cornerstone for our work here at Catholic Mission.

To help celebrate this momentous occasion, we invite you to learn more about other great women of faith and action who are following their call. One such woman, novice Saren Teresa, is following her calling to become a Salesian Sister to serve those in need.

You can learn more about Teresa and how you can support novices like her by scanning the QR code, going online to <u>catholicmission.org.au/faith</u>, or calling our friendly team on 1800 257 296.





Come along to music practise in the church on 26th Feb at 10.00am.

All Welcome

We are aware that for a number of reasons some parishioners will be unable to attend mass on the designated weekend and may not have access to a computer for the online survey. As your views are important to us we can arrange for a paper copy to be delivered to you for you to complete at home. Please let Debra in the parish office know and we will organise to get a survey to you. Surveys should be completed and returned to the parish office by 25 February.

Additionally, we would invite members of the wider community for example family members, neighbours and friends who don't attend church to complete the community survey with the link above.

### Pope Francis wants to hear from us!

Until 27 February 2022, all Catholics are invited to have their say about their experiences of 'synodality' of walking together as a Church.

All submissions received nationally will help the Australian Bishops develop a report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in



2023. This is not to be confused with the Australian Plenary Council which is running concurrently with the Synod. The Plenary Council focus is on the Church in Australia. The Synod is fo-For a synodal Church cussed on the Church globally.

Your voice matters, and it could be as simple as getting together with family, friends or fellow parishioners and having a "Coffee Conversation". This short video offers encouragement on how easy it can be to have your say: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YrgZ-N79Kf0

You can make your submission here: https:// www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

Our Parish Group Consultation meeting is being held this Sunday, 20th February in the Parish Meeting immediately after 9am Mass. All welcome!



### Care for Creation

What do you do with your used household batteries? These everyday items, whilst very useful are also hazardous as waste. Although the 'dead' battery may no longer function it still holds some charge, which can cause fire. The commodities that make up a battery are valuable and are not able to



be regenerated. Thus it is important that we use and dispose of batteries in a responsible manner. This week B Cycle has been launched as a national scheme to recycle batteries. B Cycle has linked with major retailers including Woolworths, Coles, Bunnings,

Officeworks and ALDI to put battery collection bins at thousands of their stores. Consumers can log onto B-cycle's website to find their closest drop-off station. Here is a link for further information.

Australia's first national recycling scheme for household batteries launches - ABC News

"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back..." (LUKE 6:35)



Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.



### Care for Creation

### MILK BOTTLE TOPS!! It's the third Sunday this weekend. Bring along your bottle tops this weekend

We will have a container for you to place them in outside the Front door of the church. Thank you.



### Blessing of our Contemplation Garden



Sunday 6th March immediately following 9.00am Mass. We invite our parish to join together in thanksgiving as we This outdoor space, offers a place for peaceful reflection, where immersed in the wonder of nature we may take the opportunity to sit quietly with our Creator God.

The Care for Creation Group has registered for **Clean** Up Australia Day, Sunday 6th March. Join us at 4.00pm and help to care for creation. Register via the link Clean Up Australia (cleanupaustraliaday.org.au) Just put in the postcode 4053 and you will see the Keong Park event.

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### World Day of Prayer 2022

This year's service is being organized by St. Paul's Uniting Church Stafford, who have deemed their church unsuitable in the current COVID climate.

The Salvation Army have kindly made their church available for the service.

Date: Friday, March 4, 2022

Location: Salvation Army Church 32 Hayward St,

Stafford

Morning Tea will be served from 09:45am.

Service to commence at 10:30am.

Cynthia and Toni are looking for two readers from our parish to read on the day. If you are interested please call Toni on 0431705457 or Cynthia on 0404923930. Also looking for a someone who speaks Welsh to recite the Lord's Prayer.

### Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

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**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.



#### ANOINTING 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.

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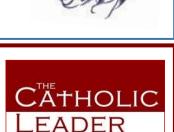
We pray for those who are unwell: Eileen Matthew, Trevor Cavanagh, Peter Muir, Kevin Tyack, Editha Weyh, Winsome Rusterholz, Mark Robertson, Jo Haines, Sr Patricia Coyle, Nola Costello, Carolyn Bohl, Noel Cavanagh, Timothy Willson, Graham Evans, Fr Paul Glynn and Norm Ward.

### We pray for those recently deceased:

Peter Muir, Rita Sorbello, Da Dia, Maria Del Rosso, Sandy Eglin, Neville Lamb, Kevin Mewburn, Veronica Nicholson, Fr Ellis Clifford, Wally Kusnierz, Norman Hall, Brian Wellman,

### And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Greg Curry 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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#### Live Stream Mass via Zoom

Time: This is a recurring meeting

Meet anytime

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Find your local number:



Wear a mask!