



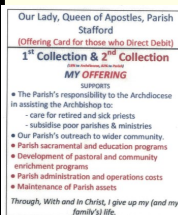
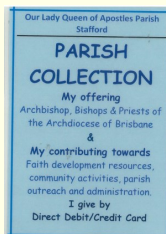
Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish, Stafford

A Parish of the Brisbane North West Deanery

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent – Year C 2nd/3rd April, 2022

PARISH GIFTING: It is **good** having so many people supporting their parish **using Direct Debit or Credit Cards or the QR code** near the Front Door. It saves the Parish the cost of buying envelopes, counting money and the associated security required and then trips to and from the Bank! -



BUT, as one Parishioner pointed out, he feels a bit embarrassed not putting anything "on the plate". This is a **SERIOUS ISSUE** from a Liturgy point of view — our **contribution** is not just urgently needed fund raising, but it is, more importantly, a **symbol of you and your family's life**

and its involvement in our world. Thus, putting something "on the plate" recognises this and then it's **brought forward** in the gifts procession. We pray **"Blessed are you God** (for these gifts)...may they become **our Spiritual food and drink.**

To overcome this issue and support those who contribute electronically, you are invited **to collect a plastic card** (see the photos of the 'new' and 'old' versions) from **near the front door** of the church and **place is on the plate.** It will be recycled and be back at the Front door next week.

If you'd like to sign up for Direct Debiting/Credit Card giving go to [Parish Website/Contacts and Links/Forms and Downloads](#) and follow the links.

Keep in your prayers our Elect during this time of preparation for Baptism at Easter

Shanti Green Ashton Childs

Caitlyn Ward Isabella Ward

Jenna Waddell

They will celebrate baptism, confirmation, and first communion in our parish during the Easter Vigil and the following Sunday.

Congratulations to THOMAS WADDELL who, at 5pm Mass this weekend becomes fully initiated into the Church through celebrating his first Communion! We the church thank Nick and Nic, his parents, for their example and commitment to Tom's faith.



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 **THIS TUESDAY (5th), 7.00pm**, we will celebrate the



Second Rite of Penance. **How to do that??** In this Lent, where we have been considering how we are agents of **division** rather than followers of Christ's way of **COMMUNION**, you may wish to reflect on how you do both. (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.

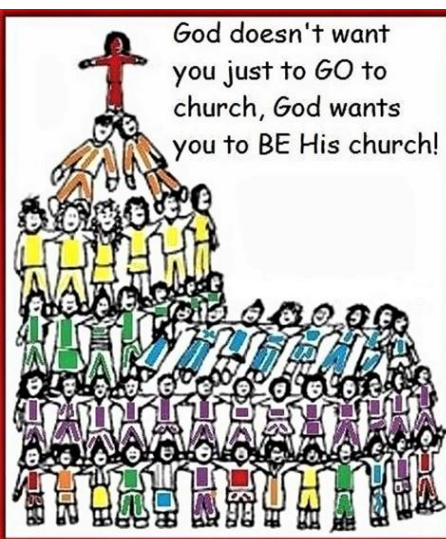
Jesus was never upset with sinners; he was only upset with people who did not think they were sinners! (An article by Fr Richard Rohr)

We must bear patiently not being good . . . and not being thought good. -- St. Francis of Assisi

Whoever is willing to serenely bear the trial of being displeasing to herself, that person is a pleasant place of shelter for Jesus.— St. Thérèse of Lisieux



Anointing of the Sick postpone-ment: Because Easter Sunday is the third Sunday of April, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated after both masses weekend **23/24th April**



Children's Liturgy Of the Word (CLOW): Starts again this weekend (for about once a month). It is for children **4 years up to and including those in Year 4 at school.** The purpose of this is to **help the Children**

appreciate the Word and so be better able to celebrate it with their Parents and rest of the community. Please do not send younger children along and Parents please remain with the Adult community.

Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord

(Year C)

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Luke 19:28-40



What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

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| Mon 4th | 8.30am | Mass |
| Tues 5th | 8.30am | Morning Prayer of the Church with Communion |
| Thurs 7th | 8.30am | Mass |
| Fri 8th | 9.00am 9.30am 9.30am 9.45am 5.30pm | Mass Stations of the Cross (after Mass) Palm cross making Lenten Group with cuppa Stations of the Cross (Church) |
| Sat 2nd | 5.00pm | Mass with Livestream Zoom |
| Sun 3rd | 9.00am | Mass with Livestream Zoom |

Shaniella 23, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates. After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food.

With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



Prayer for Peace in Ukraine, The World

Dominican sisters, Grand Rapids, USA

Posted in: Justice, Peace & Care of Earth, Prayer & Reflection

God of all People,

We pray for peace today and every day, especially for the people of Ukraine.

Send your Spirit of wisdom upon our world leaders. May the decisions they make be in the interest of all Earth's citizens.

Send your Spirit of compassion upon those who bear arms. May they turn instead to reconciliation and dialogue

Send your Spirit of healing upon those who are injured. May they know your touch through the hands of those who care for them.

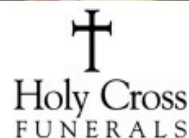
Send your Spirit of welcome upon those who are killed in this act of war. May they know the embrace of your love.

Send your Spirit of consolation on those who have lost loved ones. May they know comfort in your promise that one day they will see them again.

Send your Spirit of protection on those who have lost their homes. May they find shelter and security.

Send your Spirit of hospitality upon all nations. May they welcome refugees into their midst.

Amen



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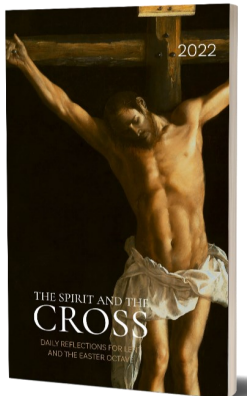
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Funerals with Faith

Would you like to join our Lenten discussion group?

We will follow the daily readings and reflections from The Spirit And The Cross. Join a Zoom Discussion each Monday evening during Lent at



7.00pm or meet after Stations of the Cross on Friday 9.45am in the Meeting Room. We will enjoy a cuppa and share our thoughts on the daily reading. Click on the link to join the Zoom.

[Click here to join the Lenten discussion](#)

Meeting ID: 944 3799 9915

Passcode: aat7WHBG

Palm Cross Craft Morning

Please come and help make our Palm crosses for Palm Sunday.

Morning tea will be supplied. It is a wonderful bonding time for all involved. We will attempt to make around 250, so need as many people as possible to help. Whatever time you can spare will be appreciated.



Any questions ring, Dianne... [0407616637](tel:0407616637)

What....making of palm crosses

When....8th April

Where...Parish meeting room

Time.....9.30am

A Morning's Prayer Come and spend a morning with God. A Morning's Prayer is a 3 hour Saturday morning retreat at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre to get away and spend some quality time with God. It will be facilitated with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing and aims to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life. The next A Morning's Prayer is on Saturday 9th April from 9am-12pm and is just \$20. Find out more or register here: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/amorningsprayer2>

A MORNING'S PRAYER



Care for Creation

The Care for Creation Group

Grateful thanks to the participants in our recent **Clean Up Australia** event. Our team of ten collected seven bags of waste from Keong and Roy Harvey Parks. Much of the rubbish was plastic, all of which would have ended up in Morton Bay. Our small effort has removed harmful micro plastics from our food chain and saved marine life.



The Cursillo Movement offers men and women, young and not so young an opportunity to grow in faith. There is a weekend planned for 23rd -25th April, led by laity, which offers you a few days of time to do something for yourself. It will be an experience of talks, discussions, shared meals, free time, reflection and fun. If you are interested in finding out more about Cursillo, or the coming weekend make contact with Rosemary Haydock on rhaydock@live.com.au or call her on 0431464211.

.....For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (PHILIPPIANS 3:8)



Stewardship
a way of life

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves

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 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.

There are celebrations of this Sacrament on the **third weekend of the Month** (ex April 23/24th)



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:

Janice Itong, Shaun Donaldson, Miguela Savellon, Ting Padayhag, Eileen Matthew, Trevor Cavanagh, Kevin Tyack, Editha Weyh, Winsome Rusterholz, Mark Robertson, Jo Haines, Sr Patricia Coyle, Carolyn Bohl, Noel Cavanagh, Timothy Willson, Graham Evans, Fr Paul Glynn and Norm Ward.

We pray for those recently deceased:

Andrew, Molly Rampa, Peter Muir, Bruce Willson, Anne Stevens, Patricia Schonrock, Marry Rah, Alma Campbell, Nola Costello, Rita Sorbello, Da Dia, Maria Del Rosso, Sandy Eglin, Neville Lamb, Kevin Mewburn, Veronica Nicholson, Fr Ellis Clifford,

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Desmond O'Brien, Michael O'Donnell, Barbara Cavanagh, and all deceased parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.



What to Give Up...

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| Give up complaining... | focus on Gratitude |
| Give up pessimism ... | become an Optimist |
| Give up worry ... | trust Divine Providence |
| Give up bitterness ... | turn to Forgiveness |
| Give up hatred ... | return Good for evil |
| Give up negativism ... | be Positive |
| Give up anger ... | be More Patient |
| Give up pettiness ... | become Mature |
| Give up gloom ... | enjoy the Beauty all around you |
| Give up jealousy ... | pray for Trust |
| Give up gossiping ... | control your Tongue |
| Give up sin ... | turn to Virtue |
| Give up giving up ... | Hang in there! |

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