



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 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 6th/7th August, 2022

Thank You and Welcome Back

Hi all,

Looking forward to seeing you after "getting wrecked" in Marcona Inlet after big winds and persistent waves! A big "THANKS" to Fr Tom for presiding at Eucharist with you over the months! Denis

I have to make a comment about this situation. The water looks calm enough for toddlers to play in, with no apparent waves. So, we must go back to the skills of the captain, or lack of skills. Were you practising walking on water?



I didn't have to travel too far to feel wrecked! I'd like to thank all those that have supported me in the office while Denis has been on leave. It has been a challenge to keep all the balls in the air while dealing with painters, possums and plumbers! We do have a wonderful community here and I appreciate

the many ways in which you have encouraged and nurtured me when needed. Thank you Debra



Dear Deb + Dennis,

I was very touched by the thanks of the parishioners from both Masses this weekend.

Their gifts, the cuppa and other personal wishes, both written and verbal, were really lovely.

In the three months, everyone has been extremely hospitable and supportive.

Bravo Stafford. It's been a very good experience.

Sincerely TOM E

Note of thanks To our Parish family of Mary, Queen of Apostles. I am overwhelmed with your loving care and support as we celebrated the life of Brian and sent him home to "Our Father's house" 20th July 2022. Specially thank you to Paul for music, to Debra and Rosemary for help with Liturgy and Printing of booklet, Fr. Tom for presiding and to each one of you, our parish community, for your presence, prayers, and loving support at this time. Our grateful thanks. Bless you, Mary Davissen and family.

Thank you



Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Celebrated at 10.00am on Monday, 8 August

Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane

Archbishop of Brisbane, Mark Coleridge invites you to a special celebration of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, patron of the Archdiocese, on her feast day, Monday 8 August. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am in the Cathedral followed by morning tea in the surrounding grounds.

To RSVP, email rsvp@bne.catholic.net.au or call 07 3324 3200.

Validate someone today!
See page three for more details!



The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

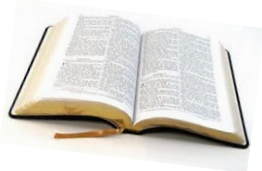
(Year C)

1st Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

[Daily Mass Readings](#)



What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

Mon 8th	8.30am 6.00pm	Mass -Feast of Mary MacKillop Sacramental Preparation Meeting
Tues 9th	8.30am	Morning Prayers with Communion
Wed 10th		
Thurs 11th	8.30am 9.45am	Morning Prayers with Communion Latte Ladies
Fri 12th	9.00am 12.00pm	Morning Prayers with Communion Anna's Group
Sat 13th	5.00pm	Mass
Sun 14th	9.00am	Mass

Anna's Group has been put in place for widowed women in our parish. Ladies will meet again at **12pm on 11th August** at Mocha Bella Cafe, Northwest Plaza, Everton Park for lunch and be a support for each other. Phone Dianne for further information 0407616637. Good food and good conversation is guaranteed!!!



Latte Ladies meet on the second Thursday morning of each month at 9:45am at Mocha Bella, Northwest Plaza, Flockton St Everton Pk. They will meet again on **12th August**. All welcome!

Celebrating the milestones of our community

Brian Roberts is celebrating his 90th Birthday this week. Happy Birthday Brian!

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." Luke 12:34



Stewardship
a way of life

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Gianni	Hannah	Arthur
Ella	Edie	Lily
Frankie	Bianca	Zara
Ilina	Luca	Luci

Our next Parent & Child Sacramental meeting

is on **Monday night 8th August at 6pm**.

Fr Denis will be joining us on the evening so if you have any questions, I am sure he can answer them!

Don't forget to nominate your child's sponsor by Monday night too. Here is the link that should take you directly to the form:

<https://forms.office.com/r/pixLjbMWS3>

Safeguarding Survey

These short online surveys aim to help gather feedback from children, parish congregations/communities and workers about our approach to safeguarding. They also form part of our commitment to achieving compliance with the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards.

There are two short online surveys, one for children 5-12 years of age and another for adults. All responses are completely anonymous and the parish will not be identified. Each survey should take less than 1 minute and can be completed on a computer, laptop, tablet or mobile phone.



Click on this link [Child Safeguarding Survey](#) to take the short (8 questions) survey or scan the below QR code.



Online Parish Safeguarding Survey (Adults)

Click on this link [Parish Safeguarding Survey](#) to take the short (10 questions) survey or scan the below QR code.

Share the dignity

Access to period products is a right, not a privilege. But 1 in 5 Australians have been unable to afford period products at some point in their life. That's why we're collecting period products to help those in need this month, as part of

@sharethedignityaustralia's

#DignityDrive. We accept all products in original packaging, including pads, tampons, maternity pads, period undies, menstrual cups and incontinence products. **There will be a box at the rear of the church for collections during the month of August.**



2022 Catholic Leadership Intensive

Equipping today's leaders for tomorrow's Church

Catholic Leadership Intensive

We continue our journey of discovery, embarking on the Catholic Leadership Intensive Program which continued this week. The focus of the course is to explore contemporary leadership practices integrated with scripture and the example set by Jesus and His followers. This week the topic was around **Charting the Course**.

We viewed a short YouTube video about Validation. **The link is here and we have set a challenge for you all to Validate someone this week.** You can send in a validation to the parish office via email or pop a validation in the bowl at the rear of



the church. I'll leave some note paper and pencils for your convenience. I'd love to share some of your beautiful validations in next week's newsletter.

[Validation - Bing video](#)

Give the Gift of Faith.

Your generosity towards Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish can go on forever when you include our parish endowment fund in your Will. With endowment funds, the principal is kept intact and the distributions to the parish come from growth and earnings. This provides a steady stream of income to parish ministries forever. For more information on naming Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Endowment Fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or the parish office.



Work with constancy and courage. ~ Mary MacKillop.

A little patience will in the end be rewarded. ~ Mary MacKillop.

Tennis Courts for Hire with lights

CHEAP RATES!

Bookings available through the office Monday to Thursday



Care for Creation



On Saturday 30th July, thirty one participants from seven parishes gathered at Little Flower Parish, Kedron to participate in an interactive event, investigating Living Laudato Si. Alice Carwardine from Catholic EarthCare, introduced their Families Program which supports individuals in implementing sustainable living in everyday domestic settings. [Laudato Si Families - Catholic Earthcare Australia](#) You may recognise Alice, who in 2021 introduced the Overturn the Tables Lenten program to our parish. Alice shared her Laudato Si journey and inspired us with realistic examples of positive changes that can be made to significantly reduce our carbon footprint and drain on the resources of Mother Earth. [Laudato Si | Overturnthetables](#) The event was a happy collaboration between Stafford, Kedron and Bracken Ridge Parishes, the fruits of the networking we have been fostering since our 2020 Forum.



Adult Faith Opportunities

LIVING OUR CHRISTIAN VOCATION

a guided retreat

Guided Retreat

A Guided Retreat with Shane Dwyer

Living our Christian Vocation Experience spiritual renewal and growth at this weekend-long guided retreat at the tranquil Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre. Throughout the course of the retreat, you'll be accompanied by spiritual director and Evangelisation Brisbane Associate Director of Adult Formation Team, Shane Dwyer, and members of his team.

Details:

6pm Friday 19 August - 1pm Sunday 21 August

Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (267 Wellington Street, Ormiston)

Cost: \$400

Find out more and register here: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/GuidedRetreatAugust2022>

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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:

Jeremy Willson, Timothy Willson, Marion O'Shea, Cynthia Oxenham, John Mahony, Nicki Goodman, Helen Mullins, Janice Itong, Shaun Donaldson, Miguela Savellon, Trevor Cavanagh, Kevin Tyack, Editha Weyh, Winsome Rusterholz, Mark Robertson, Jo Haines, Sr Patricia Coyle,

We pray for those recently deceased:

Bruce Smith, Noel Brennan, Brian Davissen, Don Muir, Audrey Tanwan, Kevin Wildermuth, Tom Donohoe, John Thornton, Shane Dyson Flynn, Katrina Roberts,

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patrick Sommerville, Joyce Davis, John Hodby, Maud Meneze 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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For however you choose to say goodbye.

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*Pre-Arrangements *Funeral Bonds

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This is now a
monthly
publication
available from
the first
weekend of the
month.

The August
edition will be
available this
weekend!

\$4 each

THE
CATHOLIC
LEADER

Live Stream Mass via Zoom

Time: This is a recurring meeting
Meet anytime

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