



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 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 10th/11th Sept, 2022

"Parish Finance Council - THIS weekend, the PFC will give its annual report. **This is a time for all of us to review our contribution to the operation of our parish.** If possible, it could be a good time to change over from using the Envelopes (which cost about \$7 per packet) to Direct Debiting or Credit Card. —Contact Debra at the office for more information about how to do this.) We have no "money tree" — our parish is expected to be financially totally self-supporting.

A brief Financial Statement for our Parish (NOTE: if you wish to see more complete financial records, simply email the office and they will be provided for you. (Each year we have a full financial audit by an external auditor (PKF).)

	2021	YTD July 2022
Income		
Planned Giving & Collections	\$187,815	\$105,445
Other	\$80,589	\$50,101
TOTAL	\$268,404	\$155,546
Expenses	\$325,609	\$158,044
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$57,205)	(\$2,498)

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF APOSTLES INTERNATIONAL

FOOD FEST

Saturday 15th Oct – 6pm

PLEASE BRING FOOD FROM YOUR CULTURE TO SHARE

Diversity is a night of food and fun!
Your dish can be savoury or sweet. Places are limited so register early on the provided clipboards.

(Please keep the above date in mind!! More info in the coming weeks!! Great to see our Food Fest back after Covid Restrictions lifted! There are be "sign on" sheets available at the back of the Church from this weekend.

Safeguarding Sunday 2022

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. The Parish of Stafford and the Archdiocese of Brisbane are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place where people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

Parish Safeguarding Survey (Adult)



Child Safeguarding Survey (5-12 years)



Have you done the survey yet? Do it today—this is your action towards supporting

Safeguarding Sunday!

catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

Safe and Supported

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2022
SEPTEMBER 11



The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year C)

1st Reading: Amos 8:4-7

2nd Reading: Tim 2:1-8

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13



Daily Mass Readings

What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

Mon 12th	8.30am	Mass
Tues 13th	8.30am 11.00am	Morning Prayers with Communion Funeral service for Barbara Jones
Wed 14th		
Thurs 15th	8.30am 7.00pm	Mass Confirmation
Fri 16th	9.00am	Mass
Sat 17th	5.00pm	Mass
Sun 18th	9.00am	Mass

PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES



(We celebrate their Confirmation THIS Thursday Sept 15th 7pm. —If you'd like to come along, you are most welcome. Let's know so that we allocate seating for you.)

Small request....we would love to hear from any of you that may have BBC Waste vouchers that you may not intend to use this year. We make waste here, and would prefer not to pay for the tipping of it. Just phone the parish office or hand them to Fr Denis after mass. We thank you in advance for this small favour!

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 16th Sept** at Café 63, **Stafford City** 10.30am. All Welcome. **Phone Gary McLean (ph 3863 4149) for more information.**



Listen to the
Voice of Creation
SEASON OF CREATION 2022

Welcome to the second week of the Season of Creation. We began

this special time with a screening of the docu-movie **2040**, it was an inspirational look at our future. Some parishioners were disappointed that they could not attend, so a second viewing is on the agenda. Our Care for Creation Group has prepared an interesting month of prayer and action for all to help us in our response to the 'Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor'

Weekend of September 24 & 25	Bring and Buy Table to offset this year's carbon footprint Presentation of Five Leaf Eco Award at Mass
Friday 30 th September	Season of Creation Prayer and Morning Tea in Contemplation Garden 9.30am

Season of Creation Prayer

Creator of All, From your communion of love your Word went forth to create a symphony of life that sings your praise. By your Holy Wisdom you made the Earth to bring forth a diversity of creatures who praise you in their being. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge. You called human beings to till and keep your garden. You placed us into right relationships with each creature so that we could listen to their voices, and learn how to safeguard the conditions for life. But we turn in on ourselves and away from our co-creatures. We close our ears to the counsel of our fellow creatures. We fail to listen to the cries of the poor and the needs of the most vulnerable. We silence the voices of those who hold the traditions that teach us to care for the Earth. We close our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the Scriptures. We lament the loss of our fellow species and their habitats that will never speak again. We grieve the loss of human cultures, along with the lives and livelihoods that have been displaced or perished. Creation cries out as forests crackle, and animals alike flee the fires of injustice that we have lit by our unwillingness to listen. In this Season of Creation, we pray that you would call to us, as from the burning bush, with the sustaining fire of your Spirit. Breathe upon us. Open our ears and move our hearts. Turn us from our inward gaze. Teach us to contemplate your creation, and listen for the voice of each creature declaring your glory. For "faith comes from hearing." Give us hearts to listen for the good news of your promise to renew the face of the Earth. Enlighten us with the grace to follow the Way of Christ as we learn to walk lightly upon this holy ground. Fill us with the hope to quench the fires of injustice with the light of your healing love that sustains our common home. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ.

Amen

Laudato Si'
Caring for our
common home



Validations from the church bowl...

Kemsley Kelly for the great job on the School Board. Your work is appreciated!

Sr Carmel is a blessing in our parish as she goes about doing God's work.

Gina Antonaglia - she got on board straight away when asked to do Children's Liturgy of the Word and she is doing amazing at it!

Thank you to those who accepted the challenge! Let's keep this going. So much good in our parish. Let's celebrate it!



The Australian Blanket Exercise

(I have done this exercise — it is very powerful and thought-provoking!! - Denis)



Australian
Blanket
EXERCISE

Walk in the footsteps of Australian First Nations Peoples through storytelling and immersion facilitated by Thelma Parker, Alfredo Barahona and Connor Sarazin.

Details: Time: 11am to 1pm

Date: 6th October Location: John Paul II Building, ACU Banyo (1100 Nudgee Rd, Banyo)

Cost: \$50pp Find out more and register your parish group here:

https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/LBSS22_BE

IT'S THE LAW of the Land! "Safeguarding" includes the policies and practices of our Church trying to ensure our children and any Adults who may be vulnerable to abuse are kept safe. We need to develop a reputation that **anyone who works in various**

Blue Card??

Police Check??

Do you need them?? See "[Volunteer Welcome Portal](#)" under Quick Links on our Homepage.

positions in our parish will have a Bluecard and/or Police Check (whichever is needed).

If you are on the Parish Missionary Council, Parish Finance Council, Sacramental Team, Children's Liturgy Team or other ministries requiring these certifications, PLEASE complete them **within the next two weeks**.

(When you access the Archdiocese's Volunteer Portal, it will tell you what you are required to have.

We will soon be enacting a **"No Card and/or Police Check—no ministry" protocol**.

Sad to say we have to do that but **our Children and vulnerable parishioners deserve all the protection we can give them**.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

to be celebrated by
Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary or more are invited to attend, together with family and friends

Saturday 24th September 2022
11:30am

RSVP: Wednesday 21st September
email: cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au
telephone: 3324 3030

The Cathedral car park will be available.

Is God's will in your Will? Including the church in your Will teaches others about giving back to God for the blessings He has given you. With your wishes expressed in a Will, the ministries of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish can be blessed. Your gift can also impact our parish in perpetuity by supporting our parish endowment fund. Contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 for more information or call the parish office.

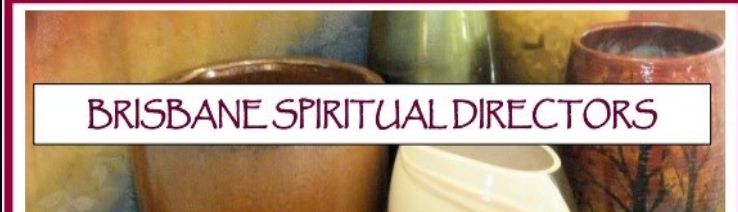




Stewardship
a way of life

"Everything I have is yours."
Luke 15:31

Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son, we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do you really want to turn your back on all that God offers in exchange for material wealth that has no lasting value? God wants us to be happy on earth as well. But, that requires us to freely accept His gift of faith; putting Him first in all things and detaching from our own self-sufficiency.



BRISBANE SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

Are you seeking some spiritual direction or spiritual accompaniment?

There is a list of directors on offer in the Archdiocese and these can be accessed easily via the web-site.

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/spiritual-direction/>

Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

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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

Queen of Apostles School Contacts

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APLE: Leonie McCormack
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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:

Judy McCully, Gerard McGrory, Carol Bohl, Rachel McGurk, Jeremy Willson, Timothy Willson, Marion O'Shea, Nicki Goodman, Helen Mullins, Janice Itong, Shaun Donaldson, Miguella Savellon, Trevor Cavanagh, Kevin Tyack, Editha Weyh, Winsome Rusterholz, Mark Robertson, Jo Haines, Sr Patricia Coyle,

We pray for those recently deceased:

Barbara Jones, Ann Mellick, Val Moorhead, Bruce Smith, Noel Brennan, Brian Davissen, Don Muir, Audrey Tanwan, Kevin Wildermuth, Tom Donohoe, John Thornton, Shane Dyson Flynn,

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Michael O'Donnell, Roy Fraser, Francis Savellon, John & Bridget Coyle, Jane Flaherty, and all deceased parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of




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LEADER**

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