



# 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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 8th/9th Oct, 2022**

## INTERNATIONAL FOOD FEST 2022

**WHEN:** Saturday 15th October **WHERE:** School Hall **TIME:** 6pm

**BRING:** Savoury or sweet food from your culture to share with **everyone**.

**BUY:** Soft drinks \$1.00 Juice \$0.50

- If you have any dietary requirements, then bring your own meal and keep it separate.
- Raffle tickets given out for Lucky Door Prizes.
- RSVP 8/10/22 PLEASE THINK OF OTHERS AND DON'T COME IF YOU ARE UNWELL.
- Please write the number of people from your family going and whether you are bringing a sweet dish or a savoury dish on clipboards provided at the back of the church this weekend.

**Would anyone like to sing or dance?** Share something from your cultural background! (In traditional dress if they wish) Please know that someone will approach different tables and ask you to say grace in your native tongue as we have done in the past.

**Brisbane parish awarded for environmental action** BRISBANE's Our Lady, Queen of Apostles parish in Stafford has received three prestigious environmental awards recognising a commitment to climate and environmental action. The Five Leaf

Eco-Awards Basic Certificate, Eco-Worship Award and Climate Activism Award are an acknowledgement of many actions the parish has taken through its Care for Creation Group. These have included setting up a contemplation garden, reduce, reuse and recycle programs, environment themed discussion groups and liturgies, and letter writing for climate action. The Stafford parish has also worked to support other parishes in taking action.



Five Leaf Eco-Awards founder and director Jessica Morthorpe thanked Our Lady, Queen of

Apostles parishioners for their faithfulness to God's love for creation and for bringing Laudato Si' to life through their actions. Parish priest Fr Denis Scanlan said the Care for Creation Group was "a wonderful catalyst for our fellow parishioners". "With their expertise and energy, I and so many of our wonderful parishioners have been challenged and informed as to how we can more effectively undertake actions for the good of our planet," he said.

"From the beginning, God's plan is for all God's children – human and otherwise, to live in an interdependent relationship. "Thanks to our Care for Creation Group, we are better able to do this at Our Lady, Queen of Apostles." Louise Scott, a member of the parish's Care for Creation Group, applied for the awards. *Excerpt from The Catholic Leader*

## Welcome back to Fr Tom Elich,

who will be with us for the next four weeks while Fr Denis is on annual leave for the month of October. Fr Tom is a familiar face at Stafford as he also pastored to the Stafford community while Fr Denis was on Long Service Leave during the winter months.



**"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Luke 17:18**



Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take share your gifts

this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

## The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

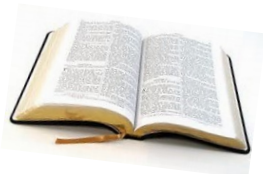
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1st Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

2nd Reading: Tim 3:14-4:2

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

### Daily Mass Readings



### What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

Mon 10th Oct	6.00pm	Sacramental Meeting for parents
Tues 11th	8.30am	Morning Prayers with Communion
Wed 12th		
Thurs 13th	9.45am	Latte Ladies
Fri 14th	9.00am 12.00pm	Morning Prayers with Communion Anna's Group
Sat 15th	5.00pm	Mass
Sun 16th	9.00am	Mass with Children's Liturgy

**BREAK OPEN THE WORD** contains readings and psalms for each Sunday with NEW commentary providing fresh and insightful background to the text and assistance on how to read it, along with a section entitled "The Ministry of Reader". The popular pronunciation guide is also included. Break Open the Word is a vital publication for readers. They are still \$24 per book.

Orders for BOTW can be placed by phone or email to the parish office. I will then send a payment link for all orders. Please place your order with me **before 24th October** to allow time for the books to be delivered in good time for Year A to begin (27th November).

Thanks, Debra

### Sacramental Program Meeting

Just a courtesy reminder that our next Sacramental parent and child meeting is next **Monday night 10th October at 6pm**.

There is only one more meeting after this one, and we thank you for your commitment in attending these important faith formations with your child.

Please bring the Eucharist workbook and the little green book to the meeting on Monday evening.

### Qld's Largest Sunday Roast

<https://qldseniorsmonth.org.au/largest-sunday-roast/>



## Care for Creation

**Laudato Si Chaplet** We have rescheduled our gathering to pray the Laudato Si Chaplet to **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am** following Morning Prayers with Communion. Please join us in the Contemplation Garden for a time of reflection and praise for the gifts of Creation. Morning Tea will be served in the Meeting Room.



### Annual Check In- Survey Monkey

The Care for Creation Group invites you to participate in our annual survey. This year's questions will help us identify how we are travelling in our 'ecological conversion' and where we need more information and support. We hope to receive 40-50 responses, in order to get an accurate snapshot of our progress.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G938B7B>

**Anna's Group** has been put in place for widowed women in our parish. Ladies will meet again at **12pm on 14th October** at **Mocha Bella Cafe**, Flockton Village, Everton Park for lunch and be a support for each other. Phone Dianne for further information 0407616637. Good food and good conversation is guaranteed!!!

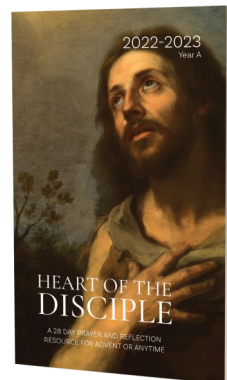


**Latte Ladies** meet on the second Thursday morning of each month at 9:45am at Mocha Bella, Northwest Plaza, Flockton St Everton Pk. They will meet again on **13th October**. All welcome

### Christmas is coming and so is Advent!

While some of us are dusting off the tree and gathering ingredients to make the Christmas pudding—Catholics prepare during Advent with prayer and reflection for the much anticipated season of Christmas.

Heart of the Disciple is a new 28-day reflection resource for Advent or at any time during the 2022-2023 liturgical year. Its main purpose is to help us to find a few minutes each day to practice what it means to sit with God and to trust him to lead us forward.



Each day's reflection is inspired by a short text of scripture and concludes with a thought or two to take away and with a prayer.

Heart of the Disciple is just \$5 each. Get a group of friends together or use it in your daily prayer routine this Advent. I will be placing an order on 7th November to have the books here before Advent begins on 27th November. Contact me to place an order by phone or email or just pop in to the office. Debra

To view a sample or find out more, visit our website [here](#).



## Catholic Leadership Intensive Course News

Following the Leadership Intensive course the parishioners who attended have already met to plan how they might support and strengthen our parish. We wish to capitalise on this energy and enthusiasm. Our NCLS data shows that we are a highly relational parish but that connection with parish has declined by 50% since the onset of Covid. This project is aimed at reconnecting with those parishioners who have not returned to Sunday worship following Covid as well as reconnecting more broadly within the community. This project will reach out to existing parishioners to re-engage them with Church, initially with Christmas and Easter campaigns, followed by some locally provided opportunities for personal spiritual development.

## Volunteers needed – Eucharistic Ministry

Are you looking to give back to your community through your gifts of supporting the spiritual, emotional well-being of our patients through sacramental ministry?

Being a Eucharistic Minister in a hospital is a rewarding role that will see you visiting with patients to offer them communion or a blessing and companionship. To be successful in this volunteer role you must be an active member of a Catholic parish and have the support of your parish priest to provide Eucharistic ministry. We are looking for volunteers for one Sunday a Month, or perhaps during the week fortnightly. Contact Sharyn Smith for further information Ph 3326 3156 / sharyn.smith@svha.org.au

## A PUBLIC ROSARY

Join us for a nation-wide Rosary chain

WHAT: THE HOLY ROSARY

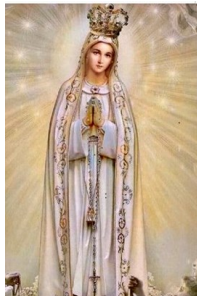
WHERE: Sacred Heart Church, 369 Given Terrace, Paddington

DATE: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2022

TIME: 10:30 a.m.

### Why a Public Rosary?

October 13, 1917, Our Lady performed a miracle – the ‘Miracle of the Sun’, which was witnessed by 70,000 people. Many converted. It is a great opportunity to share the faith and meet new people.



## An Afternoon with The Catholic Guy Bruce Downes

I want to gather people who want to have more of God in their lives and who want to see their loved ones and friends blessed by God. Will you seek God with us for Southeast Queensland and from there beyond to all the world? Don't miss this spiritually powerful experience.

Saturday 22 October or Sunday 23 October

10.30am – 4.30pm

The Catholic Guy Studio (NEW Recording Space!!!)  
6 Overend Street, East Brisbane

Free Event. Lunch Provided.

Register today - [BruceDownes.org/Brisbane](http://BruceDownes.org/Brisbane)

# WOMEN OF FAITH

*a guided retreat*



## Women of Faith Guided Women's Retreat

Could you use a time of prayer and retreat away from your busy routine in the company of other women? In November, we will be hosting a Friday evening to Sunday lunchtime retreat for women entitled **Women of Faith**. Read on to find out more.

### What to Expect

Have you ever pondered the real women of the New Testament, some of the first disciples of Jesus? *Mary of Bethany, Mary Magdalene, Mary Mother of Jesus, Phoebe* - each have a unique story that can inspire our journey as women disciples. To spend some intentional time reflecting upon their lives and the implications for our own as women, register now for the **11-13 November** weekend retreat for women at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre. Throughout the course of the retreat, you'll be accompanied by Evangelisation Brisbane's Adult Formation Project Officer, **Lisa McKerr**, Evangelisation Brisbane's Associate Director for Children & Families **Chantale Wilson** and **Sr Liz Weimers S.G.S.**

### The Details

**Date:** 6pm Friday 11 Nov– 1pm Sunday 13 Nov

**Location:** Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre  
([267 Wellington St, Ormiston](http://267WellingtonStOrmiston.com.au))

### Price:

- Live in attendees - \$400  
(includes all meals and accommodation)
- Live out attendees - \$220 (includes morning tea, lunch and dinners)

*Live-in retreatants are encouraged to arrive in time to register and be allocated their room (i.e. by 6pm latest). Meals are Friday evening through to Sunday lunch inclusive.*

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**

### Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

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Parish email: [stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)  
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Parish Secretary: Debra Visser  
Office Hours: Mon/Tues 9 - 3.30pm Thurs 9-1  
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### 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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**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:

Arthur (9 years young), Sr Joan Murphy, Jacinto Gloria, Bevan Luhrs, Judy McCully, Gerard McGrory, Carol Bohl, Rachel McGurk, Jeremy Willson, Timothy Willson, Marion O'Shea, Nicki Goodman, Helen Mullins, Janice Itong, Shaun Donaldson, Miguela Savellon, Trevor Cavanagh, Kevin Tyack, Editha Weyh, Winsome Rusterholz, Mark Robertson,

#### We pray for those recently deceased:

Antonio Bonomo, Elizabeth Windsor, Veronica Strong, 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:

Alben Tolentino 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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available from the first weekend  
of the month.**

**The October edition will be available this weekend!**

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### Live Stream Mass via Zoom

Time: This is a recurring meeting  
Meet anytime

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## BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

Many families in Emdibir are subsistence farmers, and distressingly, many are unable to put enough food on the table each day.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Church and community in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where your gift can help build a life-changing program from the ground up to help address this urgent need.

We hope you will take this opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.



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