



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 Most Holy Trinity 3rd-4th June 2023

70 Appleby Rd, Stafford, QLD 4053

Our Lady
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Stafford Catholic Parish

Parish Summit 2023
Come Dream With Us

Following the example of Jesus by serving others

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Today we begin a process that will lead our parish towards creating a 5-year strategic plan. The creation of this plan is a part of our effort as a Parish as we look to grow and thrive as missionary disciples in this place. The first step in this process is to **dream** as a parish about what could be possible in each of the ministry areas we are seeking to build up. In August the whole parish is invited to gather for a Parish Summit where together we will take the next step dreaming together for the future of our parish.

We will be showing a different "Dreaming Video" at each Mass in the parish over the next 7 weekends, to explore with you what you think could be possible for this Parish.

This weekend we listen to Chantale Wilson (Associate Director of Children and Families at Evangelisation Brisbane) dream about what a Children and Families ministry could look like in a parish.

Do you have a dream for Children and Families ministry?

If yes, we want to hear from you! Follow [the link \(https://bit.ly/43nho6w\)](https://bit.ly/43nho6w) or click on this QR code: to complete a quick 2-minute survey.



Our PARISH SUMMIT is on Sunday 6th August 10am-3pm—[Register here](#) or scan this QR code::



A Prayer for Australians as we reflect on an answer to the Referendum??

May the God of Diversity be with you.

From east, west, north, and south may you know God in every color and stripe. May this God instill in you a profound respect for differences in persons and their potential for revealing the true depth and richness of God's creation. May your inclusiveness gather true community around you. May the God of Diversity, the God of inclusion, bless you.

--Maxine Shonk, OP



Yarning Circle

"In 1967, we were counted. Today we seek to be heard. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament is a once-in-a-generation opportunity. Friends, history is calling us and I hope the answer is Yes."

Linda Burney
Minister for Indigenous Australians

"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."
Psalm 104

Can you be fearlessly open to the working of the Holy Spirit and be an instrument of that power?

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Next Sunday's Readings

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 3-4 June

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16

*He gave you food which you
and your ancestors did not know.*

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20

Praise the lord, Jerusalem.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

*Though we are many,
we form a single body because we share this one loaf.*

Gospel: John 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink,



What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

Mon 5 th	8.30am	Mass
Tues 6 th		NO MORNING PRAYER 10.00am Funeral mass for (+)Gloria O'Donnel
Thu 8 th June	8.30am 10.30am	Mass Latte Ladies
Fri 9 th	9.00am	Mass
Sat 10 th	4.00pm	Reconciliation The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Sun 11 th	9.00am	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Archdiocesan Summit 2023



Catholics from every corner of the Archdiocese gathered at the River Life Centre to participate in Summit 23, with a program that challenged, informed and nurtured. We were well represented with someone attending each day and Louise and James accepted the certificate on our behalf. Archbishop Mark convened the Summit in order to support us 'the light of the world' (Matt 5:14) as we focus on his Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese, a response to the Spirit driven journey of the Plenary Council. The document '[With Lamps Ablaze](#)' is a roadmap that will guide us as we journey with Christ in 21st century South East Queensland and beyond. This document outlines 7 priorities for our Archdiocese. Keynotes and workshops across the three days focussed on each of the themes. As we gathered in prayer at the conclusion of the event, we were asked to go out 'With Lamps Ablaze' as a faithful and connected people, filled with the Holy Spirit, to bear witness to our Risen Lord. This is our personal challenge and our work as parishioners of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles.

Together we 'Follow the example of Jesus by serving others.'

Latte Ladies



Latte Ladies will meet **this Thursday, 8th June**
at **Mocha Bella, Flockton St, Everton Park at 9:45am.**

All are welcome to come and enjoy a 'cuppa',
great conversation and companionship.

Enquiries - Truci Dove 3359 2267

Please BLOCK emails coming from
pastor.mainoffice@gmail.com (.It's a SCAM pretending to be Fr Denis asking for gift cards).

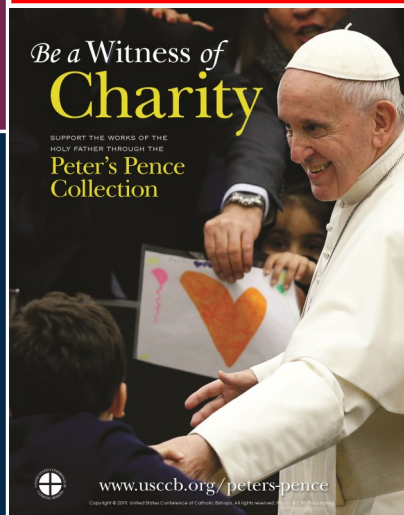
VINNIE's SOS....

We are in need of blankets for the people we help.
Queen/double/single blankets.
Or you may wish to donate money which you could place
in envelope and write Vinnie's Blanket appeal.
You could hand it into the parish office.
Please donate blankets that you yourself would place on
your bed. New or second hand in good condition.

Many thanks ,



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SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE
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**COLLECTION
24-25 JUNE
2023**

Laudato Si Week Wrap Up

Our parish participated both practically and prayerfully during Laudato Si Week, with a feast of activity. In a practical action we raised \$519.30 to support the Adopt a Koala program. Our Care for Creation team planned with members of the school's Sustainability Club to further support this project and develop environmental awareness within our young community.

To nurture our faith journey, parishioners participated in two unique prayer experiences over consecutive Fridays; the Laudato Si Chaplet and a Sacred Pilgrimage. Joining together as a community to support each other in our faith journey is a beautiful gift of service.

Laudato Si Chaplet and Morning Tea



This money enables us to symbolically adopt three koalas.

Sharing a conversation during Bring and Buy event: **One of the older parishioners gave a little boy \$10 with the instruction to 'Buy something for yourself as I don't need anything'. His eyes lit up when he found a Trivia Game... it was a wonderful gesture. :)**



A personal response to the Referendum! Thirty years ago, during a 3 month sabbatical break, I lived with a com-

munity of sisters of another Order who supported Indigenous families, women and children on Palm Island in North Queensland. There I gained a glimmer of understanding of the impact of European settlement on Indigenous families. Now I feel concerned when people say that they will vote

No because they do not know enough about the referendum proposal. From my perspective, I think we know enough when we know that a Yes vote will require our Australian Constitution to acknowledge that the Indigenous Peoples of this Land officially exist and are entitled to be heard when decisions specifically affect them. The Parliament of Australia will continue to hold responsibility for making all decisions. I feel privileged to have this opportunity, and will vote YES in The Voice referendum!

Pamela Molony



The text of the "Uluru Statement from the Heart" - an Invitation to the people of Australia (very appropriate on the Feast of the Trinity—Denis)

We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown.

How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years? With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine

through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood. Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are alienated from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future.

These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country.

We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination.

We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history.

In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. We invite you to walk with us in a movement of



SUNDAY 11 JUNE | 2PM | CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN



*"Your light must shine
before all so that they may
see goodness in your acts."
(Matthew 5:16)*

We should view our giving in gratitude to God by considering how blessed we are... using our gifts and talents for the good of others. A gift in any amount given through your Will benefits future generations of parishioners. For more information on naming Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish or our Endowment Fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.

Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish Office

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**SAFEGUARDING INCIDENT REPORT FORMS
may be accessed from the brochure table which
is at the left front corner of the church.**

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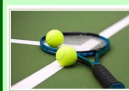
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BAPTISMS

are celebrated at 10.30am on the
Third Sunday of each Month
(except during Lent and OCTOBER).
For **BAPTISM BOOKINGS**
-- contact the Parish Office.
Further information on our website:
<https://bit.ly/3VHHQ62>



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Please contact the parish office for **PERMANENT BOOKINGS**.

STAMPS FOR MARIST MISSIONS:

recent ones - used or unused, Australian or Overseas. They can be left in the specially marked wooden box to the left of the main Church entry.

Thank you & God bless!



AN OINTING OF THE SICK

If you are **going to the hospital unexpectedly** for an op OR develop a **serious illness**, let Fr Denis know and we can celebrate this Sacrament beforehand.

Celebrations of this Sacrament are on the **third weekend of each Month**.

You may add a **sick person's name to the list by phoning the Parish Office (3356 7155)**.



NOTE: To keep our "unwell 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. Thank you.

Let Us Pray



We pray for those who are unwell:

Terry Gesch, Peter McDade, Gerard McGrory, Bev Lofgren, Geraldine Hurley, Rachel Oxenham, Sr Regina Millard RSC, Sr Catherine Heffernan RSM, Sr Patricia Coyle RSC, Joanne Austen, Carlos De Leon, Miguela Savellon, Timothy & Jeremy Willson.

We pray for those recently deceased:

Gloria O'Donnell, Ron Weier, Barry Orchard, Trevor Cavanagh, Fay Robertson, Sr Elizabeth Wall RSC, Irene Rynders, Kath Shanahan, Sr Judith Christy RSC, Alf Gow, Ellen Jean Jones, Maureen Noonan

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: especially our deceased parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.



Weekend Masses are **streamed live on Zoom**. Click

[Link to Zoomed Stafford Weekend](#) OR enter

Meeting ID: **443 363 1440** and Passcode: *eucharist*

via the Zoom app.