



# 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."**

**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time—17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**We've had Michael, John, Clem, Michael, Marian, Kevin & Denis—who will journey with us next?**

**We have the date!! - It's Monday 26th JUNE at 6.30pm in the Church!!**

**ATTENTION... DON'T MISS IT.... YOU ARE THE PARISH AND THE NEW PRIEST WILL BE SUPPORTING YOUR DREAMS!!!**



Two members of the Archbishop's College of Consultors - Mary Macuga & Fr John Echewodo — will be coming to listen and learn about the Parish the Monday after next. For **your sake, for your Parish's sake, for your children's and grandchildren's sake—RESERVE A PLACE IN YOUR DIARY.**

The meeting will be held at the Church and go for 90 minutes. We hope you can join in person but those who are unable to be present on the evening it will be ZOOMED using the usual Weekend Mass links. If you are planning to watch online you will have an opportunity to email your feedback after the meeting. **SOMETHING to think about before the Meeting:** Over the years, what are the **things we have done well** as a parish community? Looking into the future, what are the **goals you think we should set for ourselves** as a parish community?

Mary and Fr John will share the learnings from this session with the Archbishop and his advisors. The results of the upcoming Parish Summit in August will also be forwarded to them and provided to the new priest when he is appointed.



## REGISTRATION LAUNCH

This week we launch registration for our Parish Summit on 6<sup>th</sup> August. This is our opportunity to gather for a Parish Summit where together we will take the next step dreaming together for the future of our parish. The conversations at the summit, together with our dreaming in the lead up to our summit, will guide our parish in 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 at Stafford.

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

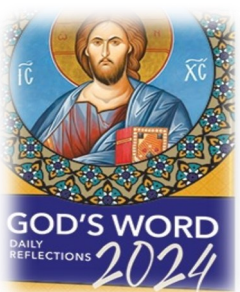




**Music Practice**  
**NEXT SATURDAY**  
**(24<sup>th</sup> June 10-11am)**  
**Everyone is Welcome to JOIN!**



**God's Word Daily Reflections 2024**—If we Order next year's copies now, we can enjoy a significant discount! RING/EMAIL the office to place your order **NO LATER THAN THIS Monday (19th) 10am.** RRP *without* discount: \$21.95





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[www.w.tennisvenues.com.au/booking/stafford-parish-tennis-courts](http://www.w.tennisvenues.com.au/booking/stafford-parish-tennis-courts)  
or scan:



[Terms and Conditions](#)  
Please contact the parish office for **PERMANENT BOOKINGS.**

**Notice:**

**Court 2 SHED** will be under **renovation** starting 26<sup>th</sup> Jun. Thereby, court 2 will be closed until July 7. Also, there will be no NIGHT hire for both courts from 26<sup>th</sup> –30<sup>th</sup> June. Permanent hirers have been notified via email. Thank you!

*Next Sunday's Readings*  
*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**24-25 June**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13**

*He has delivered the soul of the needy  
from the hands of those who are evil.*

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 68:8-10,14,17,33-35**

*Lord, in your great love, answer me.*

**Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15**

*God's gift to us is nothing like our son against him.*

**Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33**

*Do not fear those who can kill the body.*



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

|                       |                                    |  |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.30am                             | Mass   |
| Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> | 8.30am                             | Morning Prayer   |
| Thu 22 <sup>nd</sup>  | <b>8.30am</b>                      | <b>NO Mass</b>   |
| Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | 9.00am                             | Mass   |
| Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>10.00am</b><br>4.00pm<br>5.00pm | <b>Music Practice</b><br>Reconciliation<br>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>  | 9.00am                             | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time  |

**Yarning Circle**

**"There is nothing to fear or to  
lose in the recognition of  
historical truth, or the extension  
of social justice, or the  
deepening of Australian social  
democracy to Indigenous  
Australians.  
There is everything to gain."**

**Paul Keating  
Redfern speech, 1992.**

**Reflecting on these words, how would Australians gain  
from having a better understanding of our history?**

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*Be a Witness of*  
**Charity**

SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE  
HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE

**Peter's Pence  
Collection**



[www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence)

**PETER'S PENCE  
COLLECTION  
NEXT WEEKEND**

Each year parishes take up the Peter's Pence as a **retiring collection**. The collection is to be taken at the Masses the weekend around the Feast of Sts Peter and Paul. Therefore, this year's collection will be taken up on the 25 June 2023 (12th Sunday of Ordinary Time).

This Peter's Pence Collection gives Catholic in Australia an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in support of the charitable works of the Holy See.

*Leave a Legacy  
Remembering your  
parish in your Will*

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

Do you wish to become an Eternal Guardian of your parish and leave a gift in your Will to your parish? It is important that the correct legal entity is referenced in your Will including the parish name and official address of the Parish Office. The recommended wording for a gift in your Will to your parish is:

**"I give [insert amount/percentage/asset/item] to The Corporation of the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane for the use and benefit of general charitable, religious and educational purposes of the Our Lady, Queen of Apostles situated at 70 Appleby Road, Stafford 4053. In the event that the parish has changed its name or been amalgamated with another parish or parishes, this gift shall be given to the parish which at the date of my death incorporates the major area of the Our Lady, Queen of Apostles - Stafford Parish as it exists at the time of making of this Will."**

For a confidential conversation about a gift in your Will, please contact: Archdiocese of Brisbane Gifts in Wills Senior Manager: p: 07 3324 3632 e: [pererar@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pererar@bne.catholic.net.au)

**NGINDA. NGAYI. NGALI**  
(You, Me, Us)

*Celebrating Reconciliation,  
together*  
**Art Exhibition**

Showcasing modern and contemporary artworks by



**Jennifer Kent**

QUANDAMOOKA • JINIBARA • WARRABURRA  
Manamana Dreaming



**Gloria Le brocq-Butler**

DUNGHUTTI  
Gloria Le brocq-Butler Studio & Art

**Free & Open to the Public**

**27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**9:00am – 5:00pm**

**Francis Rush Centre - 196 Charlotte St, Brisbane City**

Enquiries: [marlena.budic@svha.org.au](mailto:marlena.budic@svha.org.au)

A St Vincent's Care Reconciliation Action Plan initiative in partnership with Evangelisation Brisbane



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PROUDLY PART OF ST VINCENT'S HEALTH AUSTRALIA



**ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE**  
Evangelisation Brisbane







### My Reflection: The Voice to Parliament



Have you ever been in a situation where you have credible, professional, and experiential knowledge to share about a subject, but you are not given an opportunity to share because someone 'louder' has the floor?

In such a situation I have left disappointed, knowing that the outcome will not be as favourable as it might have been and that the truth of the problem remains. I know my knowledge is valuable, but it will not be heard until respectful dialogue becomes the rule.

Since colonisation of Australia, the First Nations People have experienced the very same discourtesy. Detailed historical, scientific, and anthropological research has proven that for sixty millennia, Aboriginal People have lived and cared for this great land. Their spirituality is intrinsically connected to country; they are 'of this land'. European colonisation and dominance effectively became the 'louder person' and has stopped the precious exchange of knowledge that is key social cohesion in Australia. In the Uluru Statement from the Heart it is called "The torment of our powerlessness".

Later this year, we will be invited to make change in our country so that the First Nations Voice will be enshrined in our Constitution. I know that this is a serious decision, one which requires openness, dialogue, and discernment. To help me I simply ask "What would Jesus do?"

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13:34

The Word has spoken, and with this as my guide I can confidently vote YES in the Voice to Parliament Referendum.

**Louise Scott**

**THE REFERNDUM QUESTION:** with all the confusion and fear-mongering, **what is the ACTUAL question we will be voting on?** Here it is:

***In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia: There shall be a body to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice. — If "YES" wins, the Constitution will change as follows: (My underlines—Denis)***

***The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice may make representations to the Parliament and the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;***

***The Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws with respect to matters relating to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, including its composition, functions, powers and procedures.***

That's it—no compulsion for Parliament to do what the Voice recommends and **the Parliament itself will decide** on its "composition, functions, powers and procedures".

If we don't like what the Parliament decides, **we vote them out** at the next election.—this is backed by the overwhelming legal opinion of our Constitutional lawyers.



**Our Parish PIETY Shop** has a large range of cards, religious icons, rosary beads and medallions. We have catalogues with a huge range of gift ideas for new babies, baptism, birthdays and other special occasions.



**After Mass, ask Fr Denis and he'll unlock the Shop's Door for you.**

## ONE JOURNEY, TOGETHER

### From the Social Justice/RAP Committee

NATSICC (National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council) has just released a website to further explain the Voice to Parliament. NATSICC is the peak advisory body to the Australian Catholic Bishops. Established in 1992, the council has been a voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics for over 30 years. Here's the link to the site <https://indigenousvoice.church/>

## REFUGEE WEEK 2023 Online Prayer Service

20 JUNE 2023  
7PM AEST

Register now at  
[bit.ly/RWPS23](https://bit.ly/RWPS23)



### Online Prayer Service for Refugee Week 2023

Tuesday 20 June 2023 at 7.00pm (AEST)

The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office and the Office of Justice Ecology and Peace invite you to an online prayer service to commemorate Refugee Week from 18 to 24 June. The theme of Refugee Week 2023 is **Finding Freedom**. The prayer service will be broadcast live at 7pm AEST on 20 June. Please register now at <https://bit.ly/RWPS23> or scan the QR code.



## VISITS TO PLACES of Worship

### Sunday 2 July

11AM TO 2PM

The Vedanta Centre, 69 Vedanta Drive  
(behind 2 Poppy Cres), Springfield Lakes.  
RSVP by Wednesday 28 June.

### Wednesday 2 August

5PM TO 7:30PM

Pagan Circle, 184 Woodrow Road,  
Stanmore (near Woodford).  
RSVP by Friday 28 July.

### Sunday 24 September

9:30AM TO 11AM

Sikh Temple, 2679 Logan Rd,  
Eight Mile Plains.  
RSVP by Wednesday 20 September.

### Wednesday 18 October

7PM TO 9PM

Baha'i Learning Centre,  
26 Mayneview St, Milton QLD.  
RSVP by Friday 13 October.

### BOOK NOW

To RSVP to participate in any of these visits, please email [secretariat@qfcc.org.au](mailto:secretariat@qfcc.org.au) by the due dates listed.



You may have heard the exciting news that from 1 November 2023 we will be accepting glass wine and spirit bottles for a 10c refund. How good!



Stafford Parish Scheme ID:

**C10195625**



## 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!



## Our Lady, Queen of Apostles

### Parish Office

Address: **70 Appleby Road, Stafford**

Parish email: [stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)

Parish WEBSITE: [www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au](http://www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au)

Parish Administrator: **Fr Denis Scanlan**

Fr Denis' E-mail: [pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)

Parish Missionary Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto:ppcstafford@gmail.com)

Parish Secretary: **Tisha King** Office Telephone: **3356 7155**

Office Hours: **Mon, Tues Fri: 9am-3pm**

QR code to access



site:



**Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR):**

**Helen Royan - Email:** [lsr.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:lsr.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au)

(Archdiocese Office for Safeguarding Services: 07 3324 3752)

**STOPline** Service: 1300 304 550 or

[AOB@stopline.com.au](mailto:AOB@stopline.com.au)

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

## Our Lady, Queen of Apostles

### School Contacts

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School Principal: **Troy Parsons**

APRE: **Megan Conroy**

APLE: **Leonie McCormack**

Phone (Thuruna St): **3352 9200** Phone (Chuter St): **3326 0400**

## BAPTISMS

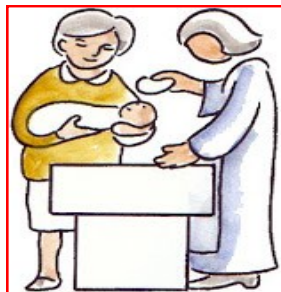
are celebrated at 10.30am on the  
**Third Sunday of each Month**  
(except during Lent and OCTOBER).

For **BAPTISM BOOKINGS**

-- contact the Parish Office.

Further information on our website:

<https://bit.ly/3VHHQ62>



## OUR MISSION



We donate 50% of our profits to ensure everyone has access to clean water and a toilet within our lifetime. And with your help, we'll get there.

**Saving The World, One Wipe At A Time.**

Available at the parish office:

Toilet paper roll: \$2.00 Paper Towel: \$3.50 Tissue: \$2.00



## 150th Anniversary of the Cathedral of St Stephen

The Archbishop has launched a year of celebration for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Opening and Blessing of the Cathedral of St. Stephen.

There will be a number of celebrations throughout the next twelve months.

This month of June we will be celebrating the story of Ordinations in the Cathedral. Parishioners are invited to attend **10am Mass on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**, at the Cathedral as we celebrate and acknowledge all those who have been ordained in the Cathedral throughout its history. Archbishop Coleridge will preside and refreshments will be provided afterwards. Come along and give thanks for the gift of service of the ordained ministers of our local church.

Stay tuned for news about more commemorations over the course of this year-long celebration.

## ANointing 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:

Hugh Rodger, Rachel Oxenham, Peter Taylor, Stella Turton, Terry Gesch, Peter McDade, Gerard McGrory, Bev Lofgren, Geraldine Hurley, Sr Regina Millard RSC, Sr Catherine Hefferman RSM, Sr Patricia Coyle RSC, Joanne Austen, Carlos De Leon, Miguella Savellon.

### We pray for those recently deceased:

Julia-Mary (JM) Lane, Sr Robyn Wheeler RSC, Sr Maria Carmel, RSC, Ron Davis, Julian Baines, Gloria O'Donnell, Ron Weier, Barry Orchard, Trevor Cavanagh & Fay Robertson.

**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.