

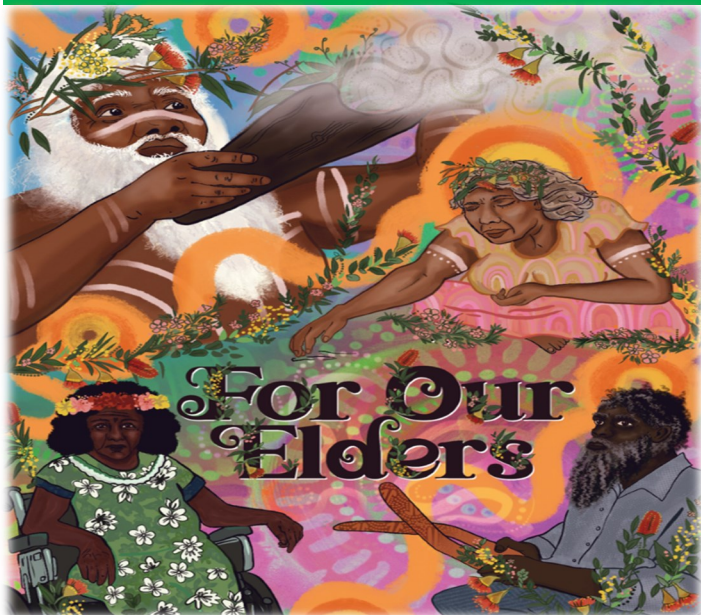


Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish—Stafford

A Parish of the Brisbane North West Deanery

Vision: "To follow the example of Jesus by serving others."

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time 8th-9th July 2023



THIS weekend (8th-9th July), Stafford Parish will create a **Sea of Hands**, a visual display of our support for NAIDOC Week.

The hand colours match those on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island flags. The 250 hands will make a **vibrant display of our unity as one proud nation and one proud people of God.** The Sea of Hands was first used in October 1997 in front of the Parliament House, Canberra is an iconic symbol of Reconciliation, a way for communities around the nation to engage in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues.

A gold coin donation will help offset the cost of the hands. The hands are recycled, and will be returned to ANTAR.

INTERNATIONAL FOOD FEST 2023



WHAT? Shared food from all our cultures~!!! **WHEN?** Saturday 22nd July 6PM

WHAT TO DO? Sign up BEFORE 16th July **WHERE?** Parish Hall

WHAT TO BRING? Savoury or sweet —food from your culture to share with everyone.

BUY: Soft drinks \$1 or Juice \$0.50

- If you have any dietary requirements, please bring your own meal or food to share you can eat.
- Raffle tickets given out for Lucky Door Prizes.
- **SIGN UP**—How many are you bringing? Are you providing a Sweet or Savory dish(es). Use the CLIPBOARD at the back of the church please **ON/BEFORE 16th July!**
- IF YOU ARE UNWELL, please stay at home and not spread it.



Service
and Outreach

Our Lady
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Stafford Catholic Parish

Parish Summit 2023
Come Dream With Us

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Service and Outreach

This weekend we continue in the process our parish is undertaking towards the creation of a strategic plan by dreaming for the various ministry areas we hope to build up in the coming months in our parish. We will listen to Peter Arndt (Executive Officer Catholic Justice and Peace Commission) dream about what an Outreach and Service ministry could look like in a parish.

Do you have a dream for Service and Outreach ministry? If yes, we want to hear from you! Follow the link or QR code below to complete a quick 2-minute survey.

Our **"Service and Outreach"** survey for this week [is here](#) or scan QR Code:



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

Next Sunday's Readings Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

15-16 July

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

The rain makes the earth fruitful.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 64:10-14

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

*All creation is waiting for the revelation
of the children of God.*

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

A sower went out to sow.



The Introductory Rites at Mass

The Introductory Rites at Mass consist of entrance song, greeting, penitential act or blessing/sprinkling of holy water, *Gloria* and collect prayer. The two essential elements are the first and last of these.

The purpose of the Introductory Rites is to gather people as a worshipping community and prepare them to listen to God's word and celebrate the Eucharist worthily.

The entrance song begins the Mass and announces that we are here to worship God as members of the Body of Christ, so it is very important that all join in the singing.

The sign of the cross that follows proclaims that we gather to celebrate as a community baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The liturgical greeting ('The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...') states that the presence and power of the Lord is with the gathered community.

The most commonly used form of the penitential rite is option C. It is an acclamation of the mercy and compassion of God ('You heal the wounds of sin and division'), not a time for self-accusation.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* describes the *Gloria* as 'a very ancient and venerable hymn the text of which may not be replaced by any other text'.

The final element of the Introductory Rites, the collect or opening prayer, begins with the invitation by the priest 'Let us pray'. In the silence that follows we offer our own prayers which are gathered up in the words of the collect.



VINNIES.... Would like to extend a very big **THANK YOU** to everyone who supported the Blanket Appeal. People have been very generous in supplying both new and old blankets. \$1,600 was also donated in cash. A lot of families are warmer this winter because of you all.
May God Bless each and every one of you.

Latte Ladies

Latte Ladies will meet **this Thursday, 13th July**
at **Mocha Bella, Flockton St, Everton Park**

at 9:45am.

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



What's on in the coming week at Stafford?

Mon 10 th	8.30am	Mass
Tues 11 th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Thu 13 th	8.30am	Mass
Fri 14 th	9.00am	Mass
Sat 15 th	4.00pm 5.00pm	Reconciliation 15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Supper after Mass
Sun 16 th	9.00am	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Anointing Baptism Cuppa after Mass

The Liturgy of the Word at Mass

The Liturgy of the Word is the first of the two central parts of the Mass.

This quote from *Lectionary for Mass: Introduction* expresses beautifully the role of scripture in worship:

The Church is nourished spiritually at the table of God's word and at the table of the Eucharist: from the one it grows in wisdom and from the other in holiness.

The structure of the Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Mass is: First Reading, Responsorial Psalm, Second Reading, Gospel Acclamation, Gospel, Homily, Profession of Faith (Creed), Prayer of the Faithful.

The first reading is taken from the Old Testament, except in Easter Time when it comes from Acts. The psalm is a scriptural response to the first reading.

The second reading comes from one of the New Testament epistles (letters).

The gospel reading is the high point of the Liturgy of the Word, so the assembly stands and acclaims Christ's presence by singing an acclamation.

The homily unfolds the mysteries of faith contained in the readings and relates it to our lives today. A short silence should follow the homily.

The pattern of the Liturgy of the Word is one of dialogue - between reader and listener, between God and us. We participate in this dialogue by listening carefully to the reader and preacher, by being attentive to what God is saying to us during the readings and the homily, and by joining in the assembly's responses.

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.



Universal access to WASH would decrease global illness by 10%



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

NEW SUPPLIES HAVE ARRIVED!

Available at the parish office:

Toilet paper roll: \$2.00

Paper Towels: \$3.50

Box of Tissues: \$2.00



Together, with all Australians, we have a once in a generation opportunity to take a significant step forward on the path to justice for First Nations people. **Why the Voice?**

If we don't have this referendum and enshrine the Voice in parliament it will be similar to previous attempts to wards Justice and equity and the dis-

solving of these steps by the first parliament that disagrees with the policy direction. Such as what happened to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission.

I support the call of the Uluru Statement from the Heart and for a First Nations Voice enshrined in Parliament. This will help empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to take their rightful place in their own country. Let us walk together with our First Nations people towards a better future for all Australians.

In supporting the Yes vote May we echo the prayer of Jesus, our Brother in Christ, when he prayed, "May they all be One Father, as You and I are One".

Let us walk as one people on this journey into Australia's future. **Mary Davissen**



The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) recently launched their website One Journey, Together (<https://indigenousvoice.church>). It offers information and resources for Catholics to help them to better understand the upcoming referendum on the Voice to Parliament.

We invite all Catholics to inform themselves about Catholic Social Teaching (CST), and reflect on personal response to Gospel Values in the light of contemporary Australian culture.

Listen to Dean Parkin speak about the 2023 Indigenous Voice to Parliament Referendum

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tHtJTLZU4U&t=2s>

CATHOLIC
CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY
NETWORK

GRAND PLANS FOR GRANDPARENTS

Celebrating world day for Grandparents and the elderly



Evangelisation Brisbane is hosting a morning that celebrates the important role grandparents play in shaping the faith of their grandchildren and children including morning tea, a time of input and sharing.

Mass at the Cathedral at 11:30am where they receive as special blessing, reaffirming the impact they have on their family's spiritual journey. **When:** Saturday 22 July, 9:15-11:15am (followed by Mass at the Cathedral)

Where: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (196 Charlotte St, Brisbane City) Cost: \$15 RSVP: Monday 17 July Register here : <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/grandparents>

THE REFERENDUM 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.



SEA SUNDAY

9 July 2023



"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."
— Matthew 11:28 (NRSVCE)

Stella Maris is the largest network of chaplains and ship visitors around the world. We welcome and support seafarers who come into Australia to bring us many of the things we need. Help us to help them. On Sea Sunday, pray for them in your parishes.

To volunteer or donate, please visit our website: www.stellamarisaustralia.org

Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Enduring a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring in to our ports products that sustain our population and economy. The Appeal today is for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. To assist this Catholic ministry, please send your donations to: <https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/>

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.

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



TENNIS COURT UPDATES



Re-opens on 11th July, TUESDAY

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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

(Archdiocese Office for Safeguarding Services: 07 3324 3752)

STOpline Service: 1300 304 550 or

AOB@stoline.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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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>



THE CARMELITE SISTERS

invite you to celebrate with them

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

SUNDAY 16 JULY

10.30 am Mass



Stay for a picnic lunch - tea, sandwiches, cake available

Piety stall, Sisters' craft works on sale

2.00 pm Evening Prayer - Benediction - Scapular enrolments

Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St Ormiston 4160

www.carmeliteormiston.com

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!



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

Let Us Pray



We pray for those who are unwell:

Andrew Lofgren, Stella Turton, Shaun & Carol Donaldson, Rachel Oxenham, Peter Taylor, Terry Gesch, Peter McDade, Gerard McGrory, Bev Lofgren, Geraldine Hurley, Sr Regina Millard RSC, Sr Catherine Heffernan RSM, Sr Patricia Coyle RSC, Joanne Austen, Carlos De Leon & Miguella Savellon.

We pray for those recently deceased:

Hugh Rodger, Julia-Mary (JM) Lane, Sr Robyn Wheeler RSC, Sr Maria Carmel, Ron Davis, Julian Baines & Gloria O'Donnell.

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Don Muir and our other 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.