



# 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 Nativity of St John the Baptist (Year B) 23rd /24th June, 2018**

**H**ow short sighted is this? How much money and resources are we wasting just to be cruel to people who have suffered so much? Read the Facts and Figures below....

## Cuts to support for people seeking asylum

### Who are they?

**13,299** people are at risk of losing support, **4,059** of those are children (this was the number of people on the Status Resolution Support Services program as at 27 February 2018, and the total of those under 18)

Between **72-88%** of those who came by boat have been found to be refugees so far (72% is the percentage of people granted protection as part of the Legacy Caseload as of 30 April 2018, and 78% and 88% is the number of those still on PNG and Nauru who have been found to be refugees as of 26 Feb 2018)

### How much do they get?

A single person gets **less than \$35 a day** to live on (for a person without children, calculated to 89% of Newstart rates)

The poverty line in 2016 is **\$63 a day** (50% of the median income in June quarter 2016)

### Where else we can save money?

A person seeking asylum living in the community costs the government on average **\$10,221**, a person in community detention **\$103,343** and a person in held detention **\$ 346,660** (average given for 2017-2018 year to date by the Department of Home Affairs on 21 May 2018)

What we spend on offshore processing would support **almost 145,000 people** in the community (based on \$1.48 billion estimated expenditure in 2017-18, divided by average cost of those in the community)

The money we spent resettling **7** people in Cambodia would have supported **661** people in the community (based on \$6.76 million spent on resettlement excluding \$40 million in development assistance, divided by average cost of those in the community)

**T**ax Time Soon—Do you have receipts to collect from the parish office? We have receipts for SVDP annual Appeal and Project Compassion.

**This is important!** After we have gathered each week-end, the Leader acknowledges the Turrubul people and then invites us all to **"be silent together and be aware of Christ's presence as we gather in His name"**. This is not just some pious invitation but a call to be aware of what we BELIEVE. From the Introduction of the Roman Missal para 5: **"For the celebration of the Eucharist is the action of the whole Church, and in it each one should carry out solely but totally that which pertains to each one, in virtue of the place of each within the People of God."** AND from Para 27: **"For in the celebration of Mass, in which the Sacrifice of the Cross is perpetuated, Christ is really present in the very assembly gathered in his name, in the person of the minister, in his word, and indeed substantially and uninterruptedly under the Eucharistic species."** Please remember to accept the Leader's invitation.

### CHRIST is PRESENT in FOUR WAYS:

1) Gathered Assembly

2) The person of the Presider

3) The WORD

4) Eucharistic Species (Bread and Wine)

**Y**our 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.

**R**osters were sent out on Monday via email, if you require a print copy, you will find some in Mary's Room. If you miss out please let me know, Debra



## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

13th Sunday Ordinary Time (YEAR B)

1st : Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24

2nd Reading: Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

**C**ounters Roster: Team E - Kev & Trish McGrory, Alan & Helen Gibney, John Mahony and Aileen Kyle.

**S**TAFFORD KEDRON CHURCHES TOGETHER: pray this week for the parishioners at Chermside - Kedron Uniting Church.

**R**ELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP: EFTPOS has arrived! Please be patient as our volunteers master a new skill! We have access to many items through catalogues which we can order for you. Do you have someone celebrating Confirmation or First Eucharist this year. There is a great range of children's books which make great gifts. We would like to know what you would like us to stock—this is your shop. Please visit the shop if you would like to order something special.

**C**HRISTMAS IN JULY!! Don't forget to plan to come along to the every-popular Christmas in July evening on **Tuesday 17th July 7pm-**



**9pm** (at the latest). Dr Ian Elmer from the Australian Catholic University (and one of our parishioners!) will be giving a talk on the relationship between **Pope Francis' document on the Environment, "Laudato Si'" and the miracle of Christmas.** We will have a Christmas party half way though the night so please **BRING YOUR FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS TREATS to share.**

**C**atholic Ethos and Ethics day 10 July 2018  
Rev Kevin McGovern, Director, Caroline Chisholm Centre for Health Ethics and Lecturer in the Department of Moral Theology and Canon Law at the Catholic Theological College, Melbourne, will present a seminar on Catholic Ethos and Ethics at the **O'Shea Centre, Lovedale St, Wilston, on Tuesday 10 July, 9am – 4pm.** Topics include: Perinatal palliative care, accepting sickness, treatment refusal, pain control, dementia, euthanasia and basic skills development for responding in these situations. The seminar is primarily targeted for those working in pastoral care and clinical care in hospitals and in aged care institutions but is open to any person with an ethical interest in these areas. **Cost \$25 (pay on the day).** For more information and registration please contact Judy Norris, Director, Pastoral Ministries, Centacare .norris@bne.centacare.net.au or phone 3324 3193. Registrations close Wednesday 4 July). Morning tea and lunch provided—please advise dietary requirements at registration.

**P**LASTIC in the Oceans comes from our “throw aways”! Do you know that **ONLY 10%** of all the plastic that has been produced has been recycled?? Caring for our environment is not just a “greenie” exercise, it is a *Christian* responsibility and a *human* one. So far only two people have expressed an interest in being part of a group to monitor our negative environmental impact as a parish. Would you like to join and help clean up our planet? **Please** email Fr Denis or the office or ring the office 3356 7155.



## CONGRATULATIONS SAINT JACK!!

During the week our beloved Jack O'Brien who died on Christmas Day last year, was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division for his work for the St Vincent de Paul Society. Jack was a member of Vinnies for over 75 years. What a wonderful achievement!



**W**EBBSITE UPDATE! We are updating our website to make it “friendlier” for mobile phones, tablets etc. It's a good time to review all our photos and add new ones. **Three things:**

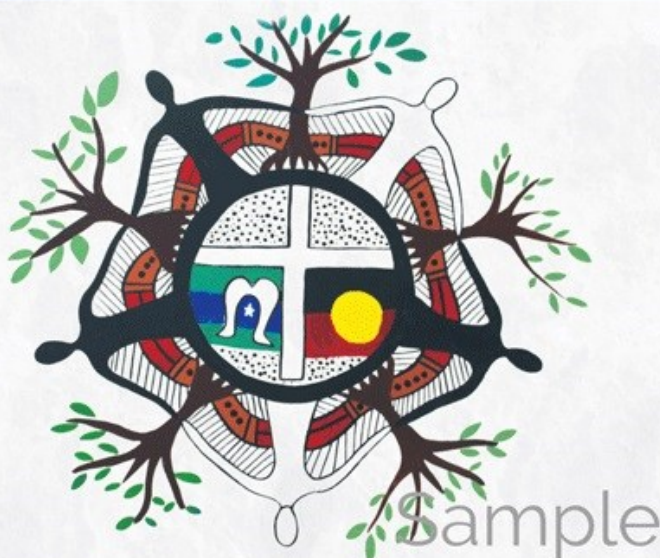
- 1) **If you have photos of parish –related** activities that you are willing to share, please send them to pp.stafford@bne.catholic.net.au (If they include people outside of your family, **please ensure they have no problems** with being on the internet before sending them)
- 2) **If YOU have any objections** to having an easily recognisable photo of yourself on the internet, please **let the office know asap** so that we can comply. (We try to ensure any group photos do not have names attached.)
- 3) If you are **already in any photos** on our current website and wish them removed, contact the office asap.



**C**atholic Leader highlights our parish twice this week. Page five has an article about our involvement in the changes to carpark fees at The Prince Charles Hospital and the Thank You Celebration Assembly held here last weekend. On page seven there are some familiar faces photographed at the luminous Lantern Parade held at Southbank Parklands on Friday 8th June. If you miss out on a copy, leave your details as we can order extra copies.



**On Sunday 15th July which is the start of NAIDOC week.** The theme this year is to celebrate the invaluable contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have made – and continue to make – to our communities, our families, our rich history and to our nation. In our Parish besides the recognition of the original caretakers of this land, the Turrubul people, we will have a short ceremony before the 9am Mass to recognise and bless the following plaque. It will be led by two of our fellow parishioners:



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.



[www.natsicc.org.au](http://www.natsicc.org.au)

Christine Luck (of the Gureng Gureng people from North of Bundaberg) and Jemieka Bailey (of the Koinjmal people from Cape Palmerston to Maryborough.)

## Ignite Conference 2018 - 27th to 30th September

Ignite Conference is a national Catholic youth conference held in Brisbane every September. Every year it draws 1500+ adults, students, kids, ministry leaders, teachers, priests and religious. For more information about the programmes visit the [www.igniteyouth.com](http://www.igniteyouth.com).

**EARLY BIRD REGO CLOSING JUNE 30**

## Quote from Mother Teresa

*People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.*

*If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.*

*If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway.*

*If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway.*

*What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway.*

*If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway.*

*The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway.*

*Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.*

*In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.*

~Mother Teresa~

## COLLECTIONS


Date	10th June	17th June
1st Collection	\$558.05	\$1256.20
2nd Collection	\$938.05	\$999.90
Loose	\$720.40	\$561.75
DD 1st (May)	\$3317.50	
DD 2nd (May)	\$7013.50	

## Tennis Courts for Hire with lights

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 Parish Pastoral Council: [ppcstafford@gmail.com](mailto:ppcstafford@gmail.com)  
 Parish Secretary: Debra Visser  
 Office Hrs: Mon, Tues, Thur: 9.00am—3.30pm  
 Office Telephone: 3356 7155  
**Parish Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Representative** :Cath D'Hage

### **Parish School "Queen of Apostles"**

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**School Team:** Principal: Nigel Bird  
 APA: Anne-Marie Maw  
 APRE: Kirsten Karey  
**School Secretaries:** Thuruna St: Vera Fitzgerald  
 Chuter St: (Mon) Jacqui Collett  
 Chuter St: (Tues-Fri) Mary-Anne Coppolecchia  
 School Office Hrs: 8.00am - 4.00pm  
 Telephone (Thuruna St:) 3352 9200  
 Telephone (Chuter St:) 3326 0400

### FUTURE WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Mon	25th	8.30am 6.00pm	<b>Mass</b> <b>Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting</b>
Tues	26th	8.30am 6.00pm 7.00pm	<b>Prayer of the Church and Communion</b> <b>Pastoral Council Exec Meeting</b> <b>Sacramental program</b>
Wed	27th	9.30am 6.30pm	<b>Social Club</b> <b>National Church Life Survey Meeting</b>
Thurs	28th	8.30am	<b>Mass</b>
Fri	29th	9.00am	<b>Mass</b>
Sat	30th	4.00pm 5.00pm	<b>Reconciliation (until no one is waiting)</b> <b>Mass</b>
Sun	1st	7.00am 9.00am 2.30pm 5.30pm	<b>Mass</b> <b>Mass</b> <b>MMP Rosary</b> <b>Mass</b>

**BAPTISMS** in this Parish occur at 10.30am on the Third Sunday of each Month (except during Lent).

**For BAPTISM PREPARATION** please contact the Parish Office (3356 7155).



**ANointing OF THE SICK** - *immediately* after Mass : 3rd Sun of Month (ex Oct).



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 four names each week will be deleted. If their illness continues, let's know and we'll add them to the start of the list.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES

**Our Sick:** Matteo Di Pasquantonio, John Burton, Jim Graham, Pam Ward, Robert Stimson, Carmel Remphrey, Toni Pilz, Wayne Geatches, John & Jill Cunningham, Bev Lofgren, Michael Slater, John Blumke and Mary Law.

**Our Recently Deceased:** Brenda Kimber, Ian Cox, Janice Crowe, Mark Fleming, David French, Margaret Cahill, Rosario (Ross) Caruso, Lucien Hoogen, Fr Brian Cooper, James Malip, Michael Service, Lorraine Bolin and Frances Thomas.

**Those We Remember:** Mary Scanlan, Joseph Bayliss, Jim and Kathleen Sullivan, Veronica Peek, Angela Robertson and all deceased Parishioners, their families and friends, and all our brothers and sisters in Christ maimed, killed or dispossessed because of their faith.

**The Catholic Leader** is available from the Religious Good Shop for \$2. Articles in this week's edition include:

- \* Archbishop says removal of confessional seal 'will not improve child safety'
- \* Archbishop Coleridge heads to Rome to discuss Church's response to Royal Commission recommendations
- \* Pope Francis compares the aborting of babies because of 'defects' to the Nazi-era eugenics program
- \* Cardinal Bo, visiting from Myanmar, thanks Australians for supporting his country in rebuilding phase
- \* Parish and community celebrate their 'people power' success over better deal for parking at hospital
- \* Key to welcoming migrants and refugees into parish life is listening to their stories, says leading priest advocate
- \* Pope says dictatorships begin by taking over media to spread lies
- \* Young Queensland men hear the call on Origin night
- \* Brisbane CEO who says she understands the fear of 'not knowing how to pay the rent next week' volunteers to sleep rough in support of those living with that fear