

Access to Direct Debit or Credit Card

Bank Authority Forms:

The Parish of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles will provide you with a **Bank Authority** to set up the **regular contribution** for your "Pledged Amount".

I would prefer to obtain my Bank Authority Form in this way:

- The Parish Office to send it by **email**
- I will download it from the **Parish Website** (www.staffordcatholicparish.org.au)
- I will collect it from the **Parish Office**
- I will collect it from the **back of the church**

NOTE: The new pledges begin on the first weekend of October. **Please return this form as soon as possible** (preferably on or before **Second Sunday of September.**)

Please RETURN THE APPLICATION FORM to the parish office:

Via "the plate" (in an envelope), or personally or email or Australia Post:

Post: 70 Appleby Rd, STAFFORD QLD 4053

Ph: 07 3356-7784

Email: stafford@bne.catholic.net.au

"We are committed to protecting the privacy of your information. The information you provide may be used for a variety of purposes including the provision of pastoral services, maintaining and developing Parish infrastructure, and communicating with you on what is happening within our Parish Community."

How your contributions are spent

Your offering covers the cost of:

People in Ministry

- Stipend for our Parish Priest
- Staff wages and superannuation.

Parish Operations

- Parish office running costs, cleaning and sanitation
- Electricity and gas, council rates
- Repairs and maintenance of the church, other buildings and the parish grounds
- Liturgical expenses, Sacramental Program, and other pastoral initiatives
- Presbytery housekeeping costs.

Financial Commitments

- Insurances
- Archdiocesan levy for Priests' Foundation (for the care of senior and sick priests)
- Archdiocesan levy for Clergy Sustentation (for the support of poor parishes)
- Archdiocesan levy for administration expenses.

The need is great. People are generous.

Together we can do it for Christ.

i For further information

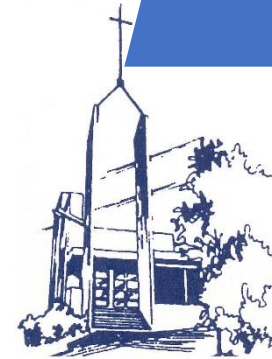
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Our Lady, Queen of Apostles Parish

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

Your Parish **NEEDS**
Your HELP

Our Need

This is an invitation to take part in the work of your Catholic parish. To continue the work of Christ in our area, the parish of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles needs your financial support.

Parish and Diocesan funding has been restructured. The distinction between first and second collection has been abolished, with all expenses now paid from a single parish account.

The new system requires that 18% of the total parish collection be paid to the Archdiocese for Archdiocesan levies. This is considerably more expensive for the parish.

In addition, your financial contribution is needed to cover:

- Rising costs, while income from collections is declining;
- Insurances;
- Maintenance of the church, the other parish buildings and grounds;
- Wages for parish staff, including provision for long service leave and superannuation;
- Other running costs: liturgical costs, electricity, water, cleaning, office, etc
- Stipend for the parish priest.

The Parish of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles has limited sources of income. We need you to work with us to ensure our community can grow and that the needs of our parish, and those that will attend the parish, will be met in the future.

Your help

Your financial contribution to the parish planned giving program will ensure that the Parish of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles will be here for you week in and week out, offering pastoral care and spiritual inspiration for every moment of your life.

To ensure a regular reliable income for the parish, we are asking you to make a pledge. How much can you contribute each week? Your considered gift will make an enormous difference to the work the parish is able to do in our local area.

One hour a week??

YOUR GIFT: AN HOUR A WEEK. We ask you to consider contributing one hour's income each week for your **TOTAL GIVING**. Will you join the parishioners who are doing this already? Your pledge will help the parish plan for the future.

The most convenient way is to **arrange a recurrent periodic payment by Direct Debit or Credit Card**.

This will be for the TOTAL amount per week you indicate on the following page. You know your payment is made regularly, you have a record of your gift and the parish does not need to count and bank the money.

Your gift to the parish is your offering to God to continue the work of Christ in the world. It should be **seen as your part in the offertory at Sunday Mass**. If you use these electronic means, collect one of the plastic "offering cards" at the door as you enter the church and place it on the plate.

Please tick the appropriate box on the following page for your preferred option of either Direct Debit, Credit Card, a "Tap and Go" facility at the main door, or Cash contributions placed on the collection plates at Mass.

Say "YES" – please act now

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Mobile: _____

Email: _____

- Yes. I want to be part of the work of the Parish of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles, Stafford.
New Continuing
- My **TOTAL PLEDGE PER** (input frequency e.g. week/month/2weeks etc) for the Parish collection is \$

PLEASE SELECT ONE OF THESE METHODS BELOW:

- Yes, I would like to make the above regular contribution **by Direct Debit**.
- Yes, I would like to make the above regular contribution **by Credit Card**.
(Your **Direct Debit or Credit Card Authority form** will be given to you as soon as possible. Please **indicate your preferred way over page**).
- Yes, I will make the above TOTAL regular contribution by placing **Cash** or using the "**Tap and Go**" facility for the Parish Collections.

Signature:

Date / /

