

2nd December 2018  
**First Sunday of Advent**  
**YEAR C**

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 Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Saturdays: 5:00 pm St Anthony's  
 6:00 pm St Luke's  
 Sundays: 7:00 am St Luke's  
 9:00 am St Anthony's

**RECONCILIATION**

9:00 am – 9:30 am

1st Saturday of the month – St Anthony's  
 3rd Saturday of the month – St Luke's  
 Or by appointment.

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**ST. ANTHONY & ST. LUKE'S**  
**CATHOLIC PARISH**  
 ALEXANDRA HILLS & CAPALABA

**Welcome to the Family**

We welcome Chelsea Carter and Isabelle Davison  
 who will be baptised this weekend. May these  
 Children continue to grow in God's own image and  
 likeness.



*2018 Christmas Mass Times*

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**Sunday 23rd December 2018**

7:00am - Mass - St Luke's Church  
 9:00am - Mass - St Anthony's Church

**Christmas Eve - Monday 24th December 2017**

6.00pm - Children's Christmas Mass at both St Anthony's &  
 St Luke's Churches  
 8.30pm - Christmas Vigil Mass - St Anthony's Church  
 11.30pm - Christmas Carols followed by Midnight Mass - St  
 Luke's Church

**Christmas Day - Tuesday 25th December 2017**

7:00am - Mass - St Luke's Church  
 8:30am - Mass - St Anthony's Church

**READINGS FOR**  
**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**1ST READING (Jeremiah 33:14-16)**

I will cause a good seed to spring forth from David.

**RESPONSE:**

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

**2ND READING (Thessalonians 3:12-4:2)**

When Christ comes may he strengthen your hearts in  
 holiness.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
 and grant us your salvation.  
 Alleluia!

**GOSPEL (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36)**

Your redemption is near at hand.



### Children's Homily

Good morning, dear children...! Oh. What a season we are in. I know you are already excited to celebrate Christmas, aren't you? Yes. Christmas is around the corner. You are in a time to prepare and wait for Christmas. We all need to wait sometimes, don't we? We stop at the corner and wait for the light to turn green before crossing the street. If we want to ask a question in school, we raise our hands and wait for the teacher to call on us before we speak.

This Sunday we begin a new season in the church and it is called Advent. It is a time of waiting for Christmas. It is hard to wait for such a wonderful feast, isn't it? So during Advent, there are special traditions and activities that help us wait and get ready for the Big Day.

One tradition is the Advent wreath. You can see that there are four candles arranged in a circle, and one candle in the middle. Four candles represent four gifts of Jesus. They are Peace, Joy, Love and Hope. We will light a new candle each week between now and Christmas. The centre candle is called the Christ Candle. It is lit on Christmas Eve. So, when you come to worship and see all of the candles lit, you will know that the next day is Christmas and the time of waiting will finally be over.

We will have many more wonderful things in the church in the coming days..!  
I am sure you are very excited to see them. Aren't you? Wait with love and patience....!  
Children prepare yourself with this prayer: Lord Jesus come in to my heart..!

*Fr Emmanuel*



### LENTEN PROGRAM 2019

"Compassion" Reflecting, Sharing & Living the Good News. If you are willing to "HOST" a Lenten Program group, please call the Parish Office as soon as possible, stating which day/night you prefer and starting time. Ash Wednesday is 6<sup>th</sup> March, so books need to be ordered. Thank you.



**Second Rite of Reconciliation  
St Anthony's  
Wednesday 12th December at 7pm**



**St Vincent de Paul Society  
QUEENSLAND**

### Christmas Appeal

It is once again time for the annual **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal** where non-perishable foods and Christmas fare are required for our Christmas Hampers. Please leave all donations in the baskets provided at the back of each church.

**Date Claimer: December 14 for sorting Christmas Hampers at St Anthony's Parish Hall; The morning of December 15 for delivery.**

### Dramatization of the Christmas Story



Every year at the 6pm Children's Christmas Mass at St Anthony's Church during the gospel, children dramatize the Nativity Story. We would like to encourage involvement in this re-enactment. This allows your child to appreciate the true meaning of why we celebrate at Christmas. If you would like your child to be involved they will need to be able to come to the following three practices at St. Anthony's Church: **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am; Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am (after 9am Mass) & Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 10.30am** (Full dress rehearsal) Children are needed to portray: Joseph, Mary, baby Jesus, Angels, Shepherds, Wise Men and Innkeepers. We also require narrators. For further enquiries please contact Niyeme Mello on 0449 928424 or Fatima Caneses on 0403 691881

### Plenary Council

For parishioners who were unable to attend either Plenary Council session there is still an opportunity to make a personal submission to the Council via the Plenary Council website – [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)



Keeping faith with you In this week's issue:

- \* Catholic Priest says the tragic death of a baby girl found washed up on a beach highlights the shocking crisis of Homelessness on the Gold Coast.
- \* Damaging bushfire across Central Queensland pulls community together during times of need.
- \* St Stephen's Cathedral's Christmas sound and light show to feature an animation written and narrated by the Red Wiggle.
- \* The Religious Freedom of the World 2018 report reveals an increase of oppression of religious across the world.



We ask that you pause for a moment to offer a prayer for the sick in our community and especially for; Christina Abante, Kent Adams, Allan Anderson, Cade Battersby, Jason Brady, Dorothy Briske, Sabina Brooker, Claire Browning, Teresa Cabrita, Nicholas Davies, Palita de Almeida, Diana Devlin, Suzie Fleming, Georgia Freemantle, Lesley Gledhill, Peter Goodwin, Ian Graham, Jan Gray, Tony Grogan, John Guy, Baby Charlie Halliday, Kevin Hardy, Ronald Haynes, Daniel Hill, John Hobbs, Barbara Kelly, Irena Kelly, Jim Kelly, Joe Kostowski, Lyn Leacey, Antonina Letizia, Jennifer Letizia, Catherine Makridakis, Trish Marot, Jane Martin, Lesley Masters, Leanne Mason, Heather Maynard, Denise McAlister, John McKay, Keith Miller, Judith Mortimer, Annabelle Morton, Wendy Mullins, Barry Murphy, Carol Nash, Alison O'Reilly, Estelle Parker, Shane Parkinson, Nick Pierce, Carmen Phairs, Terry Poulos, Eleanor Power, Teresa Rafter, Tam Reddich, Maria Ruano, Rosa Maria Santos, Matthew Scott, Matilda Sequeira, Max Spelta, Gerry Stack, Diana Staples, Lorraine Steele, Graeme Stevenson, Ann Sullivan, Baby Freya Sunderland, Kerry Thomas, Lawrie Thomas, Richard Tomaszewski, Pauline Veal, Ava Wenzel, Lesley West, Belinda Wheeler, Meryl Zahner and all those others who have asked for our prayers.

**Deceased:** Elizabeth Townsend

**Anniversaries:** Ugoeze Theresa Aguiyi; Celena McGovern; Louie Vassallo

**Weekly Offerings for the Week ended 25th November 2018** - Mass Offerings \$2628.35 (Envelopes, Loose, Direct Debits & Credit Cards)

**Mass Attendance for the Week ended 25th November 2018** - 5pm St Anthony's 97; 6pm St Luke's 43; 9am St Anthony's 112; 7am St Luke's 77.

**18% of your offerings go to the Archdiocese and the rest are used for paying for Parish Staff, utility bills, insurance, Parish Administration, ministers and sacraments, building maintenance, charity, updating office and church equipment, newsletters and other publications and maintaining parish ministries. God Bless you and thank you for your generosity.**



#### *WW Network Morning Tea*

*The next morning tea will be held at 3 Tiers Café, 116 Wellington Street, Ormiston on Saturday 8th December from 11.30am. For further information, please contact Ailsa Jensen on 3823 3021.*

#### **Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Policy**

Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all of our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.



#### **Parish Office Opening Hours for 2019**

Please note that Fr Emmanuel will now be working Mondays. Due to this the Parish Office will now open Monday to Friday, with Thursday being Fr Emmanuel's day off. All masses that were scheduled for Thursdays at St Anthony's will now be held on Monday's.



#### **Parish Sacramental Program 2019**

The information session for the 2019 Sacramental Program will take place on **Wednesday 6th February 2019 at St Anthony's Church at 9am and will be repeated at 7pm at St Luke's Church.**

At these sessions the information will be given on when our Parish will celebrate **all** Sacraments in 2019. Sacraments and information that will be covered will include the following:

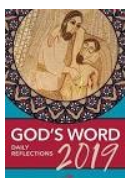
**Baptism for Older Children** (this is especially important for newcomers to our Schools) **Reconciliation - Year 5;** **Eucharist - Year 4; and Confirmation - Year 3.**



**St Luke's Catholic Childcare Centre** 51 Degen Road, Capalaba has limited vacancies across all groups. Please phone 3245 3300 to make enquiries.

#### **Care and Concern**

The next Care and Concern meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th December at 9.00am in the Parish Meeting Room. New members always welcome.



#### **God's Word 2019 Daily Reflections**

A number of Parishioners have expressed interest in this publication. If you wish to order a copy to enhance your own prayer life, please list your details on the sheet on the tables in both Churches ASAP and Margaret will order you a copy. The cost will be \$20 per copy.



#### **PADUA PLACE VACANCY**

A two bedroom unit has become available at St Anthony's Community Housing units at Padua Place. Please call at the Parish office to complete an application form. Applications close Friday 7th December.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE			
MONDAY	3 December	8.45 am 9.00 am	Little Saints Playgroup Christmas Party Mother's Prayers – St Luke's
TUESDAY	4 December	7.00 am 11.30 am 6.00 pm 7.00 pm 7.30 pm	Mass – St Anthony's Rosary – St Luke's Year 6 Graduation Mass and Dinner – St Anthony's Christian Meditation – St Luke's St Vincent de Paul
WEDNESDAY	5 December	7.00 am 7.00 pm	Mass – St Luke's Pastoral Council/Liturgy Team Dinner
THURSDAY	6 December	7.00 am	Mass – St Anthony's
FRIDAY	7 December	9.00 am 10.45 am	End of Year School Mass – St Anthony's End of Year School Liturgy – St Luke's
SATURDAY	8 December	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Mass – St Anthony's Mass – St Luke's
SUNDAY	9 December	7.00 am 9.00 am	Mass– St Luke's Mass – St Anthony's

**Rosters for 8th & 9th December 2018**

MINISTRY	ST ANTHONY'S PARISH		ST LUKE'S PARISH	
CLEANERS	Les Henderson, Josey Kanawi, Veronica Henderson, Les & Carmel Culpeper & Adrienne Fahy		Peter and Julie Bakes	
COUNTERS	Brian Tierney, Ann Tierney and Ursula Johnson		Kieran Gilboy and Allan Casperson	
MOWING	Greg Carmichael			
MASS TIMES	Saturday 5.00pm	Sunday 9.00am	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 7.00am
SACRISTAN	Kathy Ellis	Jackie Hardy	Alison O'Connor	Tracey Armatys
DATA PROJECTOR	Trish Winter	Paul Davies	Michaela Osmond	Trish Percy
USHERS	Sandra Manix	Adrianna Zwierzchaczewski Mary Ford		
ALTAR SERVERS	Marysia Leszczuk Isabela Leszczuk	Kylie Rodda Nicole Rodda		
READERS	Kathy Ellis Linda Groundwater Narelle Dobson (Intro & P of F)	Gemma Chambers Shirini Miranda Jemar Miranda (Intro & P of F)	Peter McFerran Michael Osmond Robert Bowlen (Intro & P of F)	Bernie Sue Veronica Kaese Sharyn Leafe (Intro & P of F)
EUCCHARISTIC / SPECIAL MINISTERS * = Ministers to the Sick w = Washing	Brian Tierney Ann Tierney Jane Kiely Margaret Kostowski (W) Annita McSherry (W)	Ursula Johnson Ed Hardy Jesse Poblete* Mary Boyd (W) Bini Jose (W)	Rachel Chapman Alison O'Connor Margaret McFerran	Violet Cooper Joan Tebbit Kieran Gilboy
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		Niyme Mello & Nicola		
HOSPITALITY (Tea/ Coffee)		Frogs	Sharon Evans	
TRANSPORT		Donna Barker		
COLLECTION TEAM	Joe Bartolo Bernadette Dalrymple	Pricy David Joseph David		
NEWSLETTER FOLDERS	Graham and Mary Ericksen			