



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 13 January 2019

The Baptism of the Lord - Year C

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Sunday Scriptures

The Baptism of the Lord

First Reading

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalm

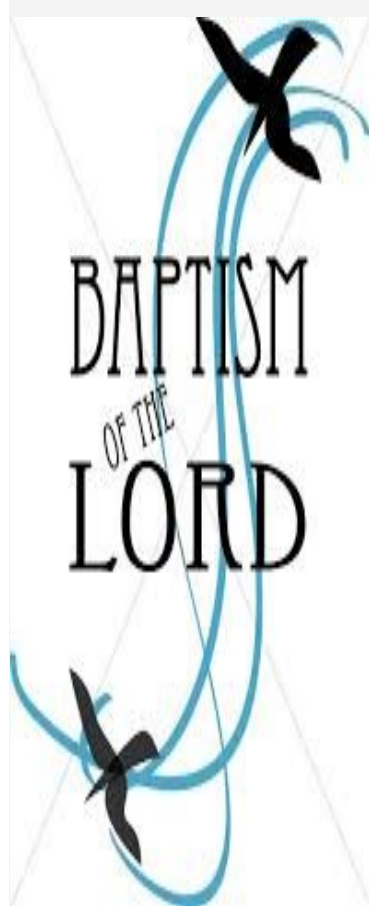
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30

Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Gospel

Luke 3:15-16



Greetings from Fr Emmanuel

Significance of Christ's Baptism Today

This exalted identity of the "Son of God" revealed at his baptism is the starting point for all that Jesus will undertake—his self-giving ministry, death and Resurrection. It is because Jesus knows Who he is that he does as he does.

As we begin Ordinary Time, we do so knowing that, in our own Baptism, God has named us beloved sons and daughters. Like Jesus, all that we undertake must flow from who we are—God's beloved. We are called to follow in the footsteps of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. This means that we, too, must humbly submit ourselves to God's wise and loving plan for our lives. He, in turn, anoints us with the Holy Spirit that we may be clothed with His power and grace.

In Christ's baptism we can find a reflection of the way the Sacrament of Baptism affects a person. Christ's baptism was the exemplar of our own. In it the mystery of the Blessed Trinity was revealed, and the faithful, on receiving Baptism, are consecrated by the invocation of and by the power of the Blessed Trinity. Similarly, Heaven's opening signifies that the power, the effectiveness, of this Sacrament comes from above, from God, and that the baptized have the road to Heaven opened up for them, a road which Original Sin had closed. Jesus's prayer after His baptism teaches us that "after Baptism man needs to pray continually in order to enter Heaven; for though sins are remitted through Baptism, there still remains the inclination to sin which assails us from within, and also the flesh and the devil which assails us from without."

Each time we dip our hand into the Holy Water font in a church to bless ourselves, we need to remember, that act is a renewal of our Baptism. Just like Jesus at the Jordan, every baptized believer is formed and called by God, empowered with the presence of the Spirit and elevated as a beloved child of God on whom God's favour rests.

Fr Emmanuel

A Stewardship Moment

January 13, 2019 - Baptism of the Lord

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' (Luke 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

(Accessed on 8th January 2019 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)

Parish Office Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm

For Your Attention

2019 Children's Sacramental Program

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.**

Plenary Council 2020



Let's not miss this once in a life time opportunity to contribute our ideas to help shape the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

Up until Ash Wednesday we can submit our ideas and questions on the Plenary Council website. These contributions will be collected and through a process of discernment will become the agenda for the Council in 2020.

We were encouraged to have some listening and dialogue sessions where as a group we look at the question, "What is God asking of us in Australia at this time?" How do we want to shape the future of the Catholic Church in Australia?

We had two of the sessions in October/ November and the consolidated response from those sessions has been forwarded to the Plenary Council. Copies are in the Plenary Council corner in both churches.

Anyone wishing to contribute their own views can still do so as follows:-

To begin with, go to www.plenarycouncil.org.au and under the heading of **resources**, choose **watch**. This will take you to some short videos which are highly recommended to get a good understanding of what a Plenary Council is, what the process will be and how it will take shape over the coming years. There is one with Archbishop Costello, (Perth), Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Brisbane) and Lana Turvey-Collins (facilitator of the Council). Each of these gives a sound explanation.

Also on the website under **resources**, choose **read** and you will find listed a guide to Listening and Dialogue sessions for Adults.

How often have we been asked to help shape the future of the Catholic Church in Australia? Here is our chance, so start reading if you haven't already!!

to submit their ideas via the website, it doesn't have to be in a group setting.

So let's use our time well between now and Ash Wednesday to put our thoughts on paper.

Lenten Program 2019

"Compassion Reflecting, Sharing & Living the Good News"

If you wish to participate in a Lenten Program this year - Please let Margaret know at the Parish Office ASAP. Books **MUST** be ordered next week. If you are willing to "HOST" a group – that is, have some people at YOUR house, please call the Parish Office as soon as possible, stating which day/night you prefer and starting time. Ash Wednesday is 6th March, so time is of the essence! This program will not disappoint you as an opportunity to grow your faith.

Baptism Buddies Required

Our faith journey begins at baptism and it is a wonderful time for a family to celebrate their child's Baptism.

Baptism Buddies journey with the families who present their child/children for Baptism. They attend both the Baptism Preparation Session and the Baptism.

At the liturgical celebration, there is help needed by a member of the parish to welcome, assist with the celebration and organise what is required.

Baptisms are held on the first Sunday of the month at St Anthony's Alexandra Hills, and the third Sunday of the month at St Luke's Capalaba. Please contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100 if you can assist.



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Baptism Preparation

Our next Baptism Preparation class will be held at 7.30pm at St Anthony's on Tuesday 15th January 2019. Please phone the Parish Office on 3820 0100 to register your interest.

Memorial Wall

Having a plaque placed on either of our memorial walls is a wonderful way to remember loved ones who have passed away. Both St Anthony's Catholic Church and St Luke's Catholic Church have spaces available on their Memorial Walls. If you would like to reserve a space, please contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100.

Care and Concern

The Next Care and Concern Meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd January at 9.00am in the Parish Meeting Room. All welcome

St Anthony & St Luke's Pastoral Council

Peter McFerran

Marianne Attrill

Adrian De La Cruz

David Haley

Alison O'Connor

Peter O'Connor

Ex-Officio Members

Margaret McFerran

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy

Volunteers Required to Lead **Children's Liturgy** at 6pm Mass at **St Luke's**.

One per month is all that's required. If you can assist, please contact Margaret at the Parish Office on 38200100.

THE PARISH PIETY STORE

The piety store operates before and after all Masses at both St Anthony's and St Luke's. Lovely gifts are available for all your loved ones.



Bunnings BBQ

16 February 2019

Volunteers are requested to nominate their availability by completing the forms that are at the back of each church.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms

95: 1-3, 7-10

Second Reading

Corinthians 12: 4-11

Gospel

John 2:1-11

Weekly Offerings and Mass Attendance

Offerings for the Week Ended 6 January 2019

Mass offerings **\$1961.30** (Envelopes, Loose coin, Direct Debits and Credit Cards)

Should you wish to set up a direct debit in place of your envelope offering, please contact the Parish Office for a direct debit form. Direct debits can be made from either your savings account or credit card.

Mass Attendance for the Week Ended 6 January 2019

St Anthony's 5pm - 98
St Anthony's 9am - 158
St Luke's 6pm - 39
St Luke's 7am - 63

18% of your offerings go to the Archdiocese and the rest are used for paying Parish Staff, utility bills, insurance, parish administration costs, building maintenance, charities, updating office and church equipment, newsletters and other publications and maintaining parish ministries among other things. God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for...

Please take a moment to pray for:

Irena Kelly, Antonina Letizia, Jennifer Letizia, and all those in our community who are ill, those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend all the recently deceased, especially Bernice Murphy to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Giovanni La Spina, Elma Madigan and Donna Morton.

If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the parish newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office.

Note: All names for prayers will remain in the newsletter for one month. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of each church.



Parish News and Notices

St Luke's Church Capalaba - Mother's Prayers & Rosary

Monday - Mother's Prayers at 9.00am
Tuesday - Rosary at 11.30am

WW Morning Teas

A small gathering is held on the second Saturday of each month, beginning in February. For further details please contact the Parish Office or Ailsa Jensen on 38233021.

Did You Holiday over Christmas?

Toiletries Wanted

The Ladies' Group would be happy to accept any unwanted toiletries from your motel stay. These are used in Mother's Day gifts as well as personal care packs gifted to local members of our community and seafarer's abroad. Your donations can be left at the Parish or School office or at St Anthony's Church. This is an ongoing collection.

LITTLE SAINTS



Playgroup

For Children from birth to Prep

Where: In the parish hall at St Anthony's
When: Mondays from 8.45am (during school term)
Contact: Trish Purcell 0438 863296

CATHEDRAL GUIDES & WELCOMERS

Cathedral Guides & Welcomers invite you to an information session on **Thursday 7 February 2019 at 10.30am** to discover the delights of volunteering with the Cathedral Guides & Welcomers. If you enjoy meeting people; love your Cathedral and revel in good art and juicy history, the rewards of becoming a volunteer with the Cathedral Guides and Welcomers is beyond measure. A comprehensive training program is offered. If this ministry appeals to you, please contact the Cathedral on 3324 3030 or email deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au, by Friday 25 January 2019.

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 our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.



St Luke's Childcare Centre

51 Degen Road, Capalaba has limited vacancies across all groups. Please phone 3245 3300 to make enquiries.

**Christ Has
No Body Now,
But Yours.**

**No Hands,
No Feet On Earth,
But Yours.**

**Yours Are The Eyes,
Through Which
Christ Looks.
Compassion
Into the World.**

**Yours Are The Feet
With Which Christ
Walks to do Good.**

**Yours are the Hands
With Which Christ
Blesses The World.**

St Teresa of Avila



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The Catholic Leader

Keeping faith with you In this week's issue

- Pope Francis urges Catholics to reflect the true light of the Lord as the Church enters a year of significant challenges for leadership
- Photo journalist Alan Edgecomb shares his inspiring visit to the Basilica of Santa Cecilia in Rome
- ACU theology expert calling Christians and atheists to greater dialogue
- Pat Mullins becomes the first layperson to serve as the archdiocese chancellor
- Bundaberg community mourns for Catholic MP Hinkler Paul Neville
- Pope Francis warns against 'nationalistic tendencies' and calls for the embrace of peace for all while addressing Holy See diplomats.

PARISH OFFICE

The Office is in the demountable
Behind St Anthony’s Church
St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills
Monday to Friday - 9.00am to 4.00pm
Website
stanthonyandstluke.org.au
Parish Office Phone
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Email Address:
alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

AT YOUR SERVICE

Our Parish Team
Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy - Parish Priest
Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Associate
Amanda Mase - Parish Office Administrator

PARISH MASS TIMES

WEEKEND
St Anthony’s Church, Alexandra Hills
Saturday 5.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
St Luke’s Church, Capalaba
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 7.00am
WEEKDAY
Monday
5.00pm St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills
Tuesday
7.00am St Anthony’s Capalaba
Wednesday
7.00am St Luke’s Capalaba
Friday
7.00am St Luke’s Capalaba

WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter for these)

Monday
9.00 am St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills
Friday
9.00am St Luke’s Capalaba

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturday
St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills
4.15pm - 4.45pm
Or by appointment

ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
St Luke’s Capalaba
7.30am - 8.30am

EDUCATION

Alexandra Hills - St Anthony Drive
St Anthony’s Catholic Primary School
3824 1200
St Anthony’s Kindergarten
3824 5061
Capalaba - Degen Road
St Luke’s Catholic Primary School
3245 9595
St Luke’s Catholic Child Care Centre
3245 3300

The Week at a Glance

MONDAY	14 January	9.00 am 5.00 pm	Mother’s Prayers - St Luke’s Mass - St Anthony’s
TUESDAY	15 January	7.00 am 11.30 am 7.00 pm	Mass - St Anthony’s Rosary - St Luke’s Christian Meditation - St Luke’s
WEDNESDAY	16 January	7.00 am	Mass - St Luke’s
THURSDAY	17 January		
FRIDAY	18 January	7.00 am	Mass - St Luke’s
SATURDAY	19 January	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Mass - St Anthony’s Mass - St Luke’s
SUNDAY	20 January	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am	Mass - St Luke’s Mass - St Anthony’s Baptisms - St Luke’s

Rosters for 19 & 20 January 2019

MINISTRY	ST ANTHONY’S PARISH		ST LUKE’S PARISH	
CLEANERS	Les Henderson, Josey Kanawi, Veronica Henderson, Les Culpeper, Carmel Culpeper, Adrienne Fahy		Peter and Julie Bakes	
COUNTERS	Roy Nicholson, Annita McSherry, Adriana Zwierzchaczewski, John Caton, Helen Bowman		Allan Casperson and Kieran Gilboy	
MASS TIMES	Saturday 5.00pm	Sunday 9.00am	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 7.00am
SACRISTAN	Kathy Metzen	Madonna Ogden	Jeanne Bowlen	Tracey Armatys
DATA PROJECTOR	Tony Metzen	Paul Davies	Michaela Osmond	Trish Pearcy
USHERS	Graham Erickson Mary Erickson	Anna Caton Helen Bowman		
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucinda Gabb	Jacob Terry		
READERS	Linda Groundwater Graham Erickson Jackie Hardy (Intro & P of F)	Shirini Miranda John Caton Jethro Miranda	Patricia Rooney Michael Osmond Robert Bowlen	Jenny Lewis Sharron Leafe Bernie Sue
EUCCHARISTIC / SPECIAL MINISTERS	Trish Purcell Ed Hardy Kathy Metzen Margaret Kostowski (W) Jane Kiely (W)	Fiona Paterson Paul Paterson Jesse Poblete* Les Henderson (W) Veronica Henderson (W)	Maria Pierce Jeanine Bowlen Gana Ralph	Joan Tebbit Kevin Rourke Susanne Nelles
* = Ministers to the Sick w = Washing				
HOSPITALITY (Tea/ Coffee)		Mealie Makobas	Sharon Evans	
TRANSPORT		Donna Barker		
COLLECTION TEAM	Jamie Gabb Bernadette Dalrymple	Andres Herrera Marian Herrera		
NEWSLETTER FOLDERS	Ailsa Jensen			

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