



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 15 December 2019

Third Sunday of Advent - Year A

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Sunday Scripture

3rd Sunday of Advent

First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-6, 10

Psalms

145:6-10

Second Reading

James 5:7-10

Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11



Our Churches

Alexandra Hills

St Anthony's Catholic
Church

St Anthony Drive
Alexandra Hills QLD 4161

Capalaba

St Luke's Catholic Church
45 Degen Road
Capalaba QLD 4157



Weekly Reflection

Dear Parishioners,

"Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life" (LG.11)

When I pondered my first year as Parish Priest here at St. Anthony and St. Luke's and considered the operation of the Parish for 2020, I decided to streamline some of the activities and times for the various Parish Masses and celebrations giving priority to children, youth, young family and the sick and the homebound. The changes I wish to make are detailed below and I have instructed the Parish Office to record them in the Parish Calendar and implement them from 1st January 2020.

- There will be no longer be any 7am weekday Masses which have been replaced by 9am Masses on the same rotation. The Monday 5pm Mass at St. Anthony's Church and the newly agreed Wednesday 2.15pm Mass (convenient to young families to attend when they come to collect their children from the school) for St. Anthony's School are unaffected, however when there is no school Mass at St. Anthony's because of holidays the Mass time reverts to 9am.
- When there is Mass celebrated at a nursing home there will be no 9am Mass at either Church on that day.
- I am concerned that the sizeable congregation at St. Anthony's 5pm Mass does not have any opportunity for contact with myself after Mass and I have decided to alter the start time of this Mass to 4.30 pm which will allow me enough time to liaise with the parishioners who attend this Mass. (priority is to make the mass convenient to young families of the parish)
- The former rotation of celebrations in Holy Week now presents a few issues for me and I have decided that the fixed Mass times will be: -
 1. St Luke's will host Holy Thursday Mass and liturgy, with the congregation encouraged to participate actively in the service of "washing of feet"
 2. St. Anthony's will host the Good Friday liturgy, preferably with a dramatization of the Gospel.
 3. For Easter Masses I have considered the attendance numbers as a priority and, as I wish to continue the strong attendance at St. Anthony's Church on Easter Day morning, I have decided that on Holy Saturday St. Luke's Church will celebrate the Easter Vigil Mass and St. Anthony's Church will celebrate the only Mass on Easter Sunday at 9am. There will be no 4.30pm Mass at St. Anthony's Church or 7am Mass at St. Luke's Church on the Easter weekend.
 4. On each occasion there is a special celebration in the Parish, e.g. First Holy Communion, Confirmation, or other special occasions, there will be no 4.30pm Saturday Mass at St Anthony's Church or 7am Sunday Mass at St. Luke's Church.

The changes are made with a view of making our celebration of faith meaningful, effective, alive and active for all. I have taken the decisions after adequate meetings, discussions and deliberations with concerned departments and people, taking in to consideration the pressing needs of the time. I thank you for the support and help you render to the parish. I earnestly request your wholehearted cooperation and support in the growth and development of our parish. I look forward to your active participation and creative involvement in all the activities of the parish.

God Bless You. ,

Fr Emmanuel



St Gerard's Christmas Festival

Nightly 29 November to 23 December

Including New **Carols by Candlelight** Outdoors 21 December at 7pm with Renata and Paradise City Band.

Massive Light Display, Gift Shop and Op Shop, Coffee Shop, BBQ.

Free Musical Entertainment every night. See website for schedule (www.olaparishchermside.org.au)

146 Maundrell Terrace, Chermside West.

A BIG THANK YOU to Brett Malbon and Kennards Hire for the use of their post hole digger to enable us to install the new cross at St Anthony's Church.



Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplain – Griffith University (Gold Coast campus) & QUT (Kelvin Grove campus)

The Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy Committee is seeking suitable applicants for the positions of part-time Assistant Chaplain in 2020 at both Griffith University (Gold Coast campus) and Queensland University of Technology (Kelvin Grove campus). Applicants wishing to be considered for either role singly or for both roles together are welcomed. These positions are to begin in February 2020. For further information, please email scott.frame@salvationarmy.org.au or phone (0404) 080 004. Applications close Monday 16 December 2019.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All Students Of St Anthony and St Luke's Catholic Primary Schools



Prayer in Time of Drought

O God, Lord of all creation,
By whose power, the whole earth came to be,
Look upon our parched land, we pray,
And bestow upon it abundant rain,
That pastures, fields and paddocks
May by your goodness, thrive once more.

St Vincent de Paul

A big thank you to everybody for collecting the plastic bottles for us. We have enough now to fill with oil for our clients.

SVDP will also put a basket at the back of each church so we can collect food for the Christmas hampers. Things we are always short of are: shampoo, toothpaste, long life milk and custard, tinned vegetables, cereals (please no Weetbix or porridge as this is always in the emergency package), tinned fruit, cleaning materials, toilet paper and fruit juices. Whatever you would like to donate is welcome. We most likely will have 30 to 40 hampers this year. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.



Have you given us a copy of your Blue Card yet?

Please provide the Parish Office with a **copy of your Blue Card** once you've received it.

Thank you so much.



St Luke's Childcare Centre

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

Are you New to Our Parish

If you are new to the Parish, please fill out your details in the Welcome Book at the back of each church. The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to invite you to our "Newcomer's" Welcome Night.

We'd love to know you've joined us!

Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

4th Sunday of Advent

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalms

23:1-6

Second Reading

Romans 1:1-7

Gospel

Matthew 1:18-24



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Weekly Offerings and Mass Attendance

Offerings for the Week Ended 8 December 2019

Mass offerings **\$2301.10** (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 8 December 2019

St Anthony's 5pm - 89

St Anthony's 9am - 170

St Luke's 6pm - 48

St Luke's 7am - 77

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:

Raymond Cash, Jane Martin, John Pender, John Rhule and Maggie Stewart along with all those in our community who are ill, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend all the recently deceased, especially Brian McGrath to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Lesley Gledhill and Louie Vassallo.

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 on 3820 0100.

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.



Newsletter available via Email!

Why not contact the Parish Office today and ask to be added to our emailing list to ensure you receive a copy each week.

You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our website
www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au

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

2019 Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Tuesday 24th December 2019

6.00pm - Children's Christmas Mass at both Churches

8.30pm - Christmas Vigil Mass - St Luke's Church

11.30pm - Christmas Carols followed by Midnight Mass - St Anthony's Church

Christmas Day - Wednesday 25th December 2019

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

9.00am - Mass - St Anthony's Church



Children's Christmas Mass - St Luke's

6pm on Christmas Eve. We would love to hear from any children and/or parents who would like to be involved. Please ring Margaret at the Parish Office on 3820 0100.

Folders Wanted

Christmas Newsletters and the Parish Calendars will be folded on Monday 23rd December from 9am. If you can assist, please contact Ailsa Jensen on 3823 3021.

Church Cleaners Needed

WE NEED YOUR HELP to clean St Anthony's Church once every 8 weeks. Please contact the parish office or Trish Purcell on 0438 863296.

Ruby Raffle for 40th Anniversary

\$5 per ticket

Drawn Sat, 1st February 2020,
during St Anthony's 40th
Anniversary Celebration

1st Prize: One Loose Natural Ruby
Certified Retail Replacement Value
\$900

2nd Prize: Karcher Electric Broom

3rd Prize: Gift Hamper

4th Prize: Glass Lazy Susan
5th Prize: Wallet Gift Set and Pen

Welcome to the Family

We welcome Zander Cornea and Isla Murray who will be Baptised this weekend. May these children continue to grow in God's own image and likeness.

Ruby Anniversary - St Anthony's Church

St Anthony's Church will be forty!

To honour St Anthony's Church's Ruby anniversary, a Special Parish day of Celebrations is planned for 1st February 2020.

Your help is earnestly sought in sharing your special memories (of **any time/occasion** over the past **forty years**) for **possible** collation in a souvenir booklet, for release on that day.

Contributions are specially welcomed from past Parishioners, so please pass on this information to relatives and friends with whom you still have contact!

There must be many accounts, reflections, anecdotes etc worthy of sharing as we celebrate this significant milestone.

Please email any contributions (or **expressions of interest in contributing**) as *soon as possible* to Les Culpeper or Jenny Lewis at the email addresses below.

Culpeper@live.com.au

Lewis148@ozemail.com.au

Ministry Training

Early in the new year, we will have changes to procedures at Mass. These changes will affect Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers and Sacristans. It is **ESSENTIAL** that if you are on a roster for any one of these Ministry areas, that you are up to date. Therefore, you are asked to attend the information and training sessions in January, at the Church where you are currently rostered. St Anthony's training will be Sunday 12th January, following 9am Mass and St Luke's will be Saturday 18th January following 6pm Mass.

A Stewardship Moment December 15, 2019

"You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." (James 5:8)

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

(Accessed on 9 December 2019 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)



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**

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stanthonyandstluke.org.au

Parish Office Phone
3820 0100

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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 Alexandra Hills

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 Anthony’s Alexandra Hills
6.00pm - 7.00pm

EDUCATION

Alexandra Hills - St Anthony Drive
St Anthony’s Catholic Primary School
3820 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	16 December	5.00 pm	Mass - St Anthony’s
TUESDAY	17 December	7.00 am 11.30 am 7.00 pm	Mass - St Anthony’s Rosary - St Luke’s Christian Meditation - St Luke’s
WEDNESDAY	18 December	7.00 am	Mass - St Luke’s
THURSDAY	19 December	Fr Emmanuel’s Day Off	
FRIDAY	20 December	9.00 am	Mass - Nandeebie
SATURDAY	21 December	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Mass - St Anthony’s Mass - St Luke’s
SUNDAY	22 December	7.00 am 9.00 am	Mass - St Luke’s Mass - St Anthony’s

Rosters for 21st & 22nd December 2019				
MINISTRY	ST ANTHONY’S CHURCH		ST LUKE’S CHURCH	
CLEANERS	Les Henderson, Josey Kanawi, Veronica Henderson, Les Culpeper, Carmel Culpeper and Adrienne Fahy		Trish Pearcy and Cheryl Rynja	
COUNTERS	Michael Hawes, Teresa Rafter & Irene Lindeberg		Alan and Bernadette Spelta	
MOWING	Susanne Nelles			
MASS TIMES	Saturday 5.00pm	Sunday 9.00am	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 7.00am
SACRISTAN	Kathy Metzen	Trish Purcell	Roslyn Noble	Joan Tebbit
DATA PROJECTOR	Tony Metzen	Joseph Sebastiraj	Amanda Mase	Bernie Sue
USHERS	Ed Hardy	Helen Bowman Anna Caton		
ALTAR SERVERS	Kylie Rodda Nicole Rodda	Jacob Terry Riley Corke		
READERS	Brian Tierney Ann Tierney Jackie Hardy (Intro & P of F)	Jack Orendain Monique Orendain Jeffrey Hawes (Intro & P of F)	Linda Groundwater Margaret McFerran Robert Bowlen (Intro & P of F)	Jenny Lewis Bernie Sue Corrie Atkins (Intro &P of F)
EUCCHARISTIC / SPECIAL MINISTERS * = Ministers to the Sick w = Washing	Kathy Metzen Carmel Culpeper Jackie Hardy Ed Hardy (W) Les Culpeper (W)	Mary Boyde Lorraine Kohlman Jesse Poblete* Trish Purcell (W) Inez Barry (W)	Gana Ralph Julie Green Jeanine Bowlen	Tracey Armatys Violet Cooper Joan Tebbit
CHILDREN’S LITURGY		Niyme and Nicola Mello		
HOSPITALITY (Tea/ Coffee)		Mealie Makobas	Sharon Evans	
TRANSPORT		Jack Orendain		
COLLECTION TEAM	Julie Vincent Bernadette Dalrymple	Nick Terry Clothilde Terry		
NEWSLETTER FOLDERS	Graham & Mary Ericksen			

Our Parish Team

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI - Parish Priest

Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator

Amanda Mase - Parish Office Administrator

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