



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 8 March 2020

Second Sunday of Lent - Year A

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Sunday Scripture Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4

Psalm

32:4-5, 18-20, 22

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:8-10

Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9



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

Pope's Message for Lent 2020

"We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" (2 Cor 5:20)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This year the Lord grants us, once again, a favourable time to prepare to celebrate with renewed hearts the great mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the cornerstone of our personal and communal Christian life.

Christian joy flows from listening to, and accepting, the Good News of the death and resurrection of Jesus. In this Lent of 2020, I would like to share with every Christian what I wrote to young people in the Apostolic Exhortation *Christus Vivit*: "Keep your eyes fixed on the outstretched arms of Christ crucified, let yourself be saved over and over again. And when you go to confess your sins, believe firmly in his mercy which frees you of your guilt. Contemplate his blood poured out with such great love, and let yourself be cleansed by it. In this way, you can be reborn ever anew" (No. 123). May we not let this time of grace pass in vain, in the foolish illusion that we can control the times and means of our conversion to him. The fact that the Lord once again offers us a favourable time for our conversion should never be taken for granted. This new opportunity ought to awaken in us a sense of gratitude and stir us from our sloth. Putting the paschal mystery at the centre of our lives means feeling compassion towards the wounds of the crucified Christ present in the many innocent victims of wars, in attacks on life, from that of the unborn to that of the elderly, and various forms of violence.

I ask Mary Most Holy to pray that our Lenten celebration will open our hearts to hear God's call to be reconciled to himself, to fix our gaze on the paschal mystery, and to be converted to an open and sincere dialogue with him. In this way, we will become what Christ asks his disciples to be: the salt of the earth and the light of the world (cf. *Mt* 5:13-14).

FRANCIS



St Vincent de Paul Society
QUEENSLAND
good works

ABN 14 211 506 904

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED

Are you available for approximately 2 hours per week (after 4.30pm) to assist people in need in our local community? Please contact Sylvia Casperson from our local St Vincent de Paul conference on 3245 2674.



PROJECT COMPASSION Caritas AUSTRALIA

GO FURTHER TOGETHER

Twenty-seven-year-old Phany was a struggling farmer and was forced to leave her daughter to take up construction work in the city. Her life has been transformed since joining a Caritas supported program, learning crop growing skills and better water management, to combat drought.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help mothers like Phany continue to uplift their communities, and provide food for their families. Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

St Anthony's Kindergarten

2020 Kindergarten positions currently available.
Please contact the Kindergarten if you are interested.
Expressions of interests open for the 2021 Kindergarten year.

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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.

Prayer to end domestic and family violence

We pray for those members of our community whose lives are impacted by domestic and family violence.

Protect vulnerable families whose lives are impacted by violence.

Help us to understand their experiences and support them in this time of need.

Care for those people working with victims of domestic and family violence, that their good work may continue and their wellbeing be supported.

May we shape our young people to value one another, so that they may have respectful and safe relationships in the future.

God of healing, hear our prayer.

Amen.

For more information and to see how you can help visit www.centacarebrisbane.net.au/domestic-violence



Aid to the Church in Need Easter Cards are now available for purchase from *Aid to the Church in Need*. Each packet contains 12 Easter cards and envelopes. **Cost:** First packet \$23 (includes postage). Extra packets \$15 each. The Easter cards feature the religious paintings of Swiss artist, Bradi Barth and include a bible verse inside. Proceeds raised go toward ACN projects that support the Church where she is unable to support herself. Order over the phone: **1800 101 201** or online: www.aidtochurch.org.



St Luke's Childcare Centre

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



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





More Wool is Needed

to make rugs for elderly patients in the Geriatric Rehabilitation Wards of the PAH and Beanies for premi babies and Seafarers who visit the Stella Maris Centre at Wynnum. Please leave any donations at the Church or the Parish Office.

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!



Keeping faith with you In this week's issue

- Coronavirus had transmitted from human-to-human contact in Australia, marking the next stage of the outbreak, as federal health authorities braced for an influx of cases and switched from a mindset of "containment" to "minimisation".
- Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge said he felt fine as he returned from high-level talks in Rome last week amid Italian coronavirus outbreak.
- Active Refugee and Migrant Integration in Australia, an initiative of Sunnybank parishioner Protais Muhirwa, celebrated its fifth anniversary.



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Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

Third Sunday in Lent

First Reading
Exodus 17:3-7

Psalms
94:1-2,6-9

Second Reading
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel
John 4:5-42

Weekly Offerings and

Mass Attendance

Offerings for the Week Ended 1st March 2020

Mass offerings **\$2749.95** (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 1st March 2020

St Anthony's 4.30pm - 85

St Anthony's 9am - 165

St Luke's 6pm - 39

St Luke's 7am - 56

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:

Simone Brookbank, Neville Brown, Lachlan Campbell, Raymond Cash, Denis Hannan, Kevin Hardy, Dom Jones, Tricia Kennedy, Antonina Letizia, Oliver Loveday, Jane Martin, Robbyn Prenzler, John Rhule Snr, Trish Rooney, Mary Ryan, Loraine Steele, Maggie Stewart, Eddie Strachan and Samuel Tyler, 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 Filippo Principale to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Cathy Sheen.

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 9.30am

Parish Working Bees

A working bee will be held on Saturday **28th March**, commencing at 8am at **St Anthony's**. Please add your name to the list of the volunteers at the church entrance. **St Luke's** Working Bee will be held on **Sunday 5th April** commencing at 7.30am. Please remember, many hands make light work and it could be yours that make the difference.

Plenary Council Parish Discussion Group Meeting 10 March 2020

The next meeting to discuss the Parish response to the fifth Major National Theme identified by the Plenary Council will be held in St. Anthony's Church on Tuesday 10 March 2020 at 7pm. The topic for the meeting will be "Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform" as advised by the National Steering Group. We are all encouraged to attend and participate to give our voice, our support and/or concerns to this once in a lifetime process which will inform the future direction of our Church in Australia. We look forward to seeing you there.

Baptism Preparation

Our next Baptism Preparation class will be held at 7.00pm at St Anthony's on Tuesday 17th March 2020. Please phone the Parish Office on 3820 0100 to register your interest.

Reconciliation - St Anthony's

During Lent Fr Emmanuel will offer extra opportunities for parishioners to prepare themselves for Easter. He will offer Reconciliation **EVERY** Saturday afternoon during Lent at St Anthony's Church from 4pm to 4.30pm.

WW Network Morning Tea

The next morning tea will be held at Indigiscapes Centre, 17 Runnymede Road, Capalaba on Saturday 14th March from 10am. For further information, please contact Ailsa Jensen on 3823 3021.

Thank You from Maggie & Brian Stewart

Maggie Stewart is looking great, eating and hasn't lost her gorgeous sense of humour. Despite what she has endured, because of great care and love of her husband, she is comfortable and progressing well but slowly. She is currently in E. M Tooth Memorial Hospital (known to the locals as "Lota House") in Oceania St Lota, and will be for the foreseeable future. She wrote a thank you card and I will include a few lines in this piece.

"Hello to all the parishioners of St Luke's & St. Anthony's. I would like to sincerely thank you all for the enquiries about my health over the past few months. Following my big stroke in July 2019, I sustained enough damage to place me in care. Brian visits every day, which makes us both happy. I miss the choir people at St Luke's especially. Please keep me in your prayers, as you are in mine"

Ladies Group

Working bees to make and wrap gifts for the St Anthony's School Mother's Day Stall will be held in the Parish Hall from 9am to 11am on the following dates: March 11, 18, 25 and April 1. Come along and join in the fun!

A Stewardship Moment March 8, 2020

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." (Genesis 12:1)

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we may have to struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness, and greed. Yet God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful."

(Accessed on 2nd March 2020 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**

Website
stanthonyandstluke.org.au

Parish Office Phone
3820 0100

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PARISH MASS TIMES

WEEKEND

St Anthony’s Church, Alexandra Hills
Saturday 4.30pm
Sunday 9.00am

St Luke’s Church, Capalaba
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 7.00am

WEEKDAY

Monday
5.00pm St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills

Tuesday
9.00am St Luke’s Capalaba

Wednesday
9.00am St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills

Friday
9.00am St Luke’s Capalaba

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

Wednesday
2.15pm St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills

Friday
9.00am St Luke’s Capalaba

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturday
St Anthony’s Alexandra Hills
4.00pm - 4.30pm
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	9 March	8.45 am 9.00 am 5.00 pm	Little Saints Playgroup - St Anthony’s Parish Hall Mother’s Prayers - St Luke’s Liturgy of the Word - St Anthony’s
TUESDAY	10 March	9.00 am 7.00 pm	Liturgy of the Word, followed by Rosary - St Luke’s Christian Meditation
WEDNESDAY	11 March	8.00 am 9.00 am	Liturgy of the Word - St Anthony’s Ladies Group
THURSDAY	12 March		
FRIDAY	13 March	9.00 am 9.30 am	Liturgy of the Word - St Luke’s Stations of the Cross - St Luke’s
SATURDAY	14 March	10.30 am 4.30 pm 6.00 pm	Baptism of Older Children Activity Day - St Anthony’s Mass - St Anthony’s Mass - St Luke’s
SUNDAY	15 March	7.00 am 9.00 am	Mass - St Luke’s School Involvement Mass - St Anthony’s

Rosters for 14th & 15th March 2020				
MINISTRY	ST ANTHONY’S CHURCH		ST LUKE’S CHURCH	
CLEANERS			Peter and Julie Bakes	
COUNTERS	Roy Nicolson, Annita McSherry, Adrianna Zwierzchaczewski , John Caton, Helen Bowman & Mary Ford		Tracey Armatys & Allan Casperson	
MASS TIMES	Saturday 4.30pm	Sunday 9.00am	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 7.00am
SACRISTAN	Kathy Metzen	Kathy Ellis	Roslyn Noble	Bernie Sue
DATA PROJECTOR	Tony Metzen	Joseph David	Amanda Mase	Bernie Sue
USHERS	Julie Hobby	Anna Caton Helen Bowman		
ALTAR SERVERS	Marysia Leszczuk Isabela Leszczuk	Kylie Rodda Nicole Rodda		
READERS	Narelle Dobson Linda Groundwater Teresa Rafter (Intro & P of F)	School Involvement Mass	Jeanine Bowlen Margaret McFerran Amanda Mase (Intro & POF)	Joan Tebbit Sharyn Leafe Corrie Atkins
EUCCHARISTIC / SPECIAL MINISTERS	Madonna Ogden Helen Barry Kathy Metzen Trish Purcell (W) Kathy Metzen (W)	Kellie Jacobsen Les Henderson Lorraine Kohlman* Veronica Henderson (W) Kathy Ellis (W)	Gana Ralph Peter McFerran Jeanine Bowlen	Paul Blacklock Susanne Nelles Kieran Gilboy
* = Ministers to the Sick				
w = Washing				
Children’s Liturgy		School Involvement Mass		
HOSPITALITY (Tea/ Coffee)		Culture Club	Sharon Evans	
TRANSPORT		Donna Barker		
COLLECTION TEAM	Bernadette Dalrymple Joe Bartolo	Pricy David Ken Green		
NEWSLETTER FOLDERS	Ailsa Jensen & Mary Bagster			

Our Parish Team

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI - Parish Priest

Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator

Amanda Mase - Parish Office Administrator