

St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 17 May 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A

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A Message from Fr Emmanuel

Poimen, Prodromos and Parakletos

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the 6th Sunday of Easter. Today's readings from the Acts of the Apostles, First letter of Peter and Johannine Gospel. You have the exact readings in the newsletter. As we go through these texts we understand how beautifully the church is preparing us for the feast of the Ascension and Pentecost.

You may be wondering what is the meaning of those three words on the top. They are Greek words meaning respectively Shepherd, Guide and Advocate. In the previous Sundays we were trying to experience Jesus as the Good Shepherd (*Poimen*) and The Way, the Truth and the Life (*Prodromos*). This Sunday He comes to us as our advocate (*Parakletos*) and not just that He promises his spirit, the Holy Spirit also as our advocate. Advocate is the one who pleads our cause.

In our lives the Holy Spirit works in mysterious, miraculous, sacramental and spiritual ways. We will deal with it in the coming Sundays. However, I want to tell you a unique thing the Spirit does. St. Paul says, we do not know how to pray but the Spirit, like a good advocate pleads our cause before God, "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know how we ought to pray, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans too deep for words". (Romans 8:26).

We all face difficulties in our prayer life. Many of the times we are unable to pray or we have little success in prayer. But, what we can do is to open up our hearts to the Holy Spirit. We assured by Jesus that he will plead our cause before God with groans too deep for words.

PHONE CALL SUPPORT: The parish is happy to support those parishioners who are isolated via a phone call. If you would like to receive a call or if you know someone who would like to receive a call let the parish office know. We want to remain connected with you.

Sunday Scripture Sixth Sunday of Easter First Reading Acts 8;5-8, 14-17 Psalm 65:1-7, 16,20 Second Reading 1 Peter 3:15-18 Gospel John 14:15-21



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



Spiritual Assistance: In the current situation if anyone needs spiritual support I am happy to listen to them over the phone or at the parish office. Please contact the parish office for assistance.

Planned Giving: Our parish is registered to the Archdiocesan Planned Giving App. Please find the details in the pages 5 and 6 of this news letter.

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God Bless,

Fr Emmanuel

Ten Principal Virtues of Mary



- 1. Deep Humility
- 2. Living Faith
- **3.** Complete Obedience
 - 4. Unceasing Prayer
- 5. Constant Self-denial
 - 6. Surpassing Purity
 - 7. Ardent Love
 - 8. Heroic Patience
 - 9. Angelic Kindness
- **10. Heavenly Wisdom**



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.

NATIONAL 18-24 MAY 2020 VOLUNTER CHANGING COMMUNITIES. CHANGING LIVES.



It's hard to know what the church and society are going to look like when we emerge from the COVID-19 restrictions.

The one constant throughout our pre and post-pandemic worlds, however, will be the volunteers who remain at the heart and soul of what we do.

As we prepare to celebrate a National Week in your honour, my thanks goes out to all the volunteers, wherever you may be offering witness — in parishes or prisons, hospitals, courts or respite and drop-in centres.

In spite of the many challenges posed by this medical crisis, you still stood ready, in ways both creative and courageous, to continue outreach on our behalf and for that the Archdiocese is indebted to you.

Without you we couldn't do or be what Jesus Christ calls us to do and be.

Most Rev Mark Coleridge ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION BODY + BLOOD + SOUL + DIVINITY

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

l embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

O my God, my only hope, I have placed all my trust in You,

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Are you New to Our Parish

If you are new to the Parish, please give us your details by email or phone on 3820 0100. The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter. Once we are back

to normal, we look forward to welcoming you at our Newcomers Welcome Night.







Most

Blessed Sacrament

SUNDAY READINGS

The resources can also be found on the Liturgy Brisbane website at <u>https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/</u> prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/ and will be updated each week.



The first document contains the Sunday readings with associated commentaries and prayers. It is suggested that families gather to read the Scriptures aloud together.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord First Reading Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 46:2-3, 6-9 Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23 Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

Weekly Offerings and In our time of Need

Offerings for the Week Ended 10th May 2020

Mass offerings **\$990.00** 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.

Our faith will sustain us through these challenging times. Please keep helping our parish community of St Anthony and St Luke's by continuing your weekly offering via **DIRECT DEBIT**. Call the Archdiocesan Development Fund on 3324 3777 to find out how.

Should you wish to make a one off donation to our parish, our bank account details are as follows:

BSB: 064786 Account Number: 100017590 Account Name: Alexandra Hills Capalaba Parish Planned Giving

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, Emma Casonati, Denis Hannan, Kevin Hardy, Dom Jones, Tricia Kennedy, Antonina Letizia, Oliver Loveday, Jane Martin, Helen Reed, Trish Rooney, Mary Ryan, Loraine Steele, Maggie Stewart, Eddie Strachan, Anne Sullivan 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 those who have recently died to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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

Parish Office Opening Hours

The Parish Office is open on **Monday**, **Tuesday**, **Wednesday** and **Friday** from 9am to 4pm. Should you have any urgent matters outside these hours, please phone the Parish Office, leave a message and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.

Livestreamed Masses

Until further notice, Fr Emmanuel will be livestreaming Masses on Facebook as follows: Saturday 6pm - From St Luke's Sunday 9am - From St Anthony's

facebook

- 1. Set Up a Facebook Account (free)
- Become a Facebook friend of "AlexHills CapalabaParish" by sending a "friend request" and you will be added as a friend.
- 3. You will then receive updates to advise you when Fr Emmanuel will be live

Can you Knit or Crochet?

.....or maybe you know someone who would like to make adult size beanies to be included in "Care Packs" which are gifted to seafarers through Stella Maris Seafarer's Mission, Wynnum.

Ladies Group can provide yarn, patterns, knitting needles and crochet hooks. For more information, contact Trish Purcell on 0438863296. Donations of yarn and wool are always appreciated.

Sacraments for 2020

We are still hopeful that all Sacraments will be able to happen but it may be later than first thought. The Parish Office is happy to accept enrolment forms ASAP – if you have NOT already enrolled your child, and will keep you informed as soon as we can proceed.

Helping Families Stay Connected

As Masses are restricted throughout the world, many parish and school communities are asking what they can do to keep their families connected to their faith.

CathFamily can help with our online resources which are available free of charge.

1: FREE Resource Database

CathFamily has a vast library of free resources for families, schools and parishes that celebrates Catholic culture. The free weekly eNews lists seasonal resources including downloadable prayers, feast day celebrations, recipes, craft, articles and links to other helpful resources.

Visitors can search and browse our thousands of posts or take advantage of our eNews to triage the most relevant content for the week.

2: Children's Sunday Liturgy @Home

CathKids is a weekly interactive experience designed for primary aged children that includes a short animated video on the Sunday reading, 'I wonder' questions, a craft activity and prayers. CathKids has a modest subscription fee but due to the situation with COVID19 we are offering this resource FREE for the next 3 months.

To access these resources please go to the following website cathfamily.org

Spare and Share

Spare your time and share for your parish. Our Parish is in need of people for lawn mowing and cleaning the church. Please phone the parish office if you are able to assist.

A Stewardship Moment May 17, 2020 Sixth Sunday of Easter

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." (1 Peter 3:17)

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the same result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond

in the newsletter for one month. To request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions please contact the Parish Office.

negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

(Accessed on 13th May 2020 from http:// archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts).

Newsletter available via Email!

Why not contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100 and ask to be added to our emailing list to ensure you receive a copy of the newsletter each week. You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our website www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au



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

Email Address: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

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

The Week at a Glance			
MONDAY	18 May		Fr Emmanuel celebrates Mass for the parishioners. He encourages you to spiritually participate in the Mass and receive spiritual communion.
TUESDAY	19 May		Fr Emmanuel celebrates Mass for the parishioners. He encourages you to spiritually participate in the Mass and receive spiritual communion.
WEDNESDAY	20 May		Fr Emmanuel celebrates Mass for the parishioners. He encourages you to spiritually participate in the Mass and receive spiritual communion.
FRIDAY	21 May		Fr Emmanuel celebrates Mass for the parishioners. He encourages you to spiritually participate in the Mass and receive spiritual communion.
SATURDAY	22 May	6.00pm	Parish Mass will be live-streamed on Facebook from St Luke's Catholic Church
SUNDAY	23 May	9.00am	Parish Mass will be live-streamed on Facebook from St Anthony's Catholic Church

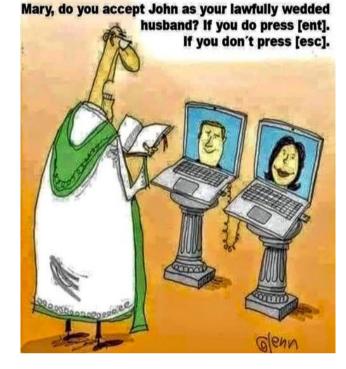
Catholic Early EdCare

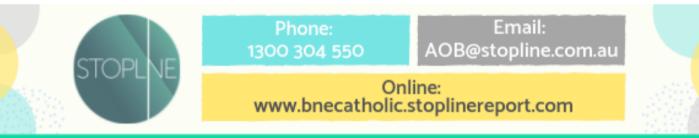
WATCH THEM GROW

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. P 07 3824 5061 M 0488 665 023 E alexandrahillskindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au W catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

St Luke's Childcare Centre Has Limited Vacancies. Please contact the centre if you are interested. **P** 07 3245 3300 E capalabaldc@bne.centrecare.net.au





STOPline is an external service that receives confidential information about suspected abuse, misconduct and policy breaches within the Archdiocese of Brisbane, Brisbane Catholic Education and Centacare Brisbane. Information can be shared anonymously. -www.etter-

Catholic Leader

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

Read the Latest News ONLINE -Keeping faith with you

The online edition of The Catholic Leader newspaper will be extended to parishioners for free during these uncertain times. Keep faith with the Leader at www.catholicleader.com.au

Our Parish Team

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI - Parish Priest Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator Amanda Mase - Parish Office Administrator

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Planned Giving

Dear Parishioners,

Though we do not have public Masses I have been celebrating Mass for the parishioners every day and was continuously doing my pastoral ministry. The parish office remained and remains open from Monday to Friday except Thursday as per the usual timetable. There were parishioners who came to the office with planned giving envelopes or donations towards the collections. If you would like to bring in your planned giving envelopes they would be greatly appreciated.

To face the current situation, the Archdiocese has offered a **"PARISH GIVING APP**" that can be installed on any mobile phone. This app will work as the 'collection plate' that can be used by the parishioners to support the parish. Through this app it will be easier to make the parish offerings for the time being until the churches are opened. Installing the app is very easy and secure.

Please look at the last page of this newsletter for the step by step guide to install this application. If we split the entire collection of our parish we would roughly have 43.79 % direct debit and credit card, 21.03 % envelopes and the rest would be what is called "the loose money". The "PARISH GIVING APP" will be "a plate" that collects the so called "loose money" which makes up about 35.17% of our usual Sunday collection.

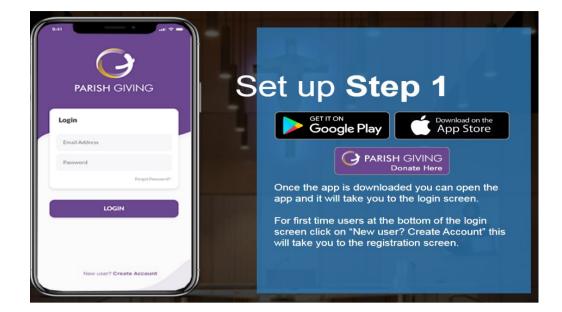
There are many parishioners who, on a regular bases, continue to support the parish financially via **direct debit**, **credit card or planned giving**.

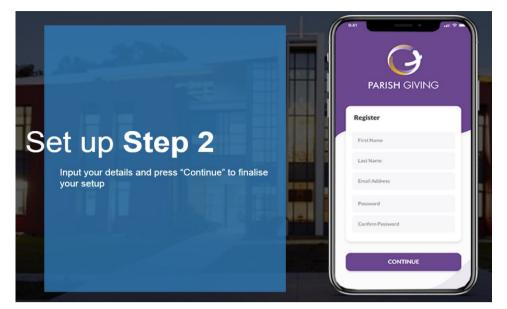
I thank you all for your support and good will. Let us hope and pray this pandemic will be over soon and we all will go back to the same good old days.

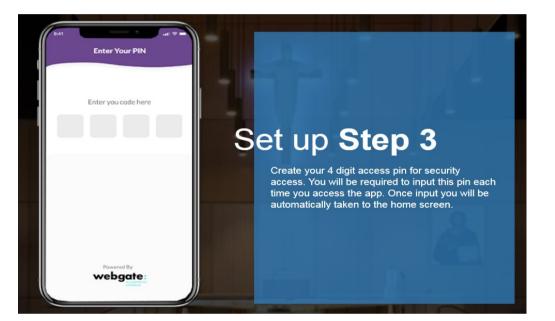
Fr. Emmanuel



HOW TO SETUP AND USE THE "PARISH GIVING" APP

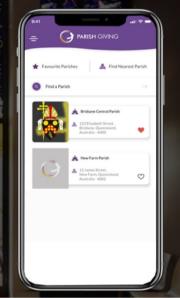






Set up Step 4

As part of the home screen you will be able to search for your Parish. Once found click on the heart and this will have your Parish saved as a favourite. Next time you wish to give to your favourite Parish simply click on "Favourite Parish" and those selected will be displayed. (You can select multiple Parishes as part of your favourites list)



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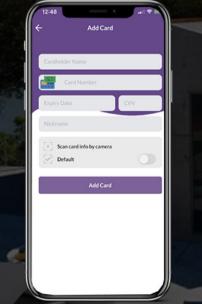
Log out

Set up Step 7

My Profile :

You can change your personal details

- Change your email address
- Change Password
- Change Pin
- Update Phone details
- Update Address
- Parish Giving Privacy Policy (ADF)



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Set up Step 8

Cards :

Input your card / giving details. The Parish Giving app accepts MasterCard and Visa card. Credit and Debit Cards. Any card details input to the application are completed under security industry standards to the highest level with no card details ever held as part of the application. Ensuring your personal details are protected at all times. Once your card details are input you can now start giving to your Parish.