

St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 12 July 2020

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Visit us at www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au to find out more about our parish

Sunday Scripture

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

Isaiah 55: 10-11

Psalm

Psalm: 64: 10-14

Second Reading

Romans: 8:18-23

Gospel

Matthew 13: 1-23 or Mathew: 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



A Message from Fr Emmanuel

Reflection on the Parable of the Sower

The farmer in the 'parable of the sower' doesn't seem to have much of a plan. There isn't an organised effort to prepare all the soil so that none of the seed is wasted. It's just thrown all over the place, with the hope that some of it will fall on good soil and grow. Do you think that is a good strategy for a farmer whose life depends upon successfully growing things? Why or why not? Why do you think God throws out seed to bad soil as well as to good soil? If our job is to spread the message of God, should we have a plan that is more dependable than this farmer's plan? Why or why not? What might such a plan look like? Even if we are very deliberate about where we 'sow the seeds' of God's message, we can't always control how people will receive it. Do you think it is better to aim for just the good soil, so that we mainly bring the message to people who are ready to listen to it? Why or why not? Do you think it is better to spend some time working the soil, so that dry, rocky or thorny areas might become more fertile and ready to accept the seed? Why or why not? Not only are we asked to bring the seed of God's word to others, we are also asked to receive the seed of God's word from others. When do you feel like the good soil, fertile and waiting for God's word to come to you and bring you new life? When do you feel like dry, rocky or thorny soil, not ready for God's word to grow within you.

By Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Mass Updates

- The link for online booking for the WEEKEND MASSES at St. Anthony's is: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-anthonys-mass-tickets-111775134436 and St Luke's is: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-lukes-mass-tickets-111775930818. You can do it through google or parish website page and if you are not able do it online please ring the parish office.
- 2. You are welcome to **WEEKDAY MASSES** and advance booking is not needed. However please put your contact number on the sign on sheet.
- 3. **FOR ALL MASSES:** Please remember that for the safety of others do not come if you are feeling unwell, or show any flu-like symptoms. Please use the hand sanitizers provided, observe social distancing requirements, and follow the Marshal's directions.
- 4. If you are able to assist with the cleaning after Mass we would truly appreciate the assistance.

*Watch Masses online 8:00am Monday to Friday and 8:00am and 10:00am Sundays live-streamed from the Cathedral at archbne.org/bzw. Also on Channel 10HD Sundays @ 6:00am.

*Read the latest news of this week edition of the Catholic Leader at www.catholicleader.com.au.

*Sign up for regular emails, including two-minute homilies and daily readings at www.archbne.org/dwlk.

*Get the latest social media updates at www.facebook.com/archbne and on instagram@archbne.



Sacramental Programs for Children in 2020

You will all be aware of the delays, caused by restrictions due to Covid 19, that have prevented us from progressing according to our Parish Calendar. I am happy to announce that we can soon get underway with some of our Sacraments, with the Baptism of Older Children taking place in late July. Parents of these children have already been informed. Unfortunately because of COVID 19, we will not be able to have huge numbers of family & friends attend the ceremonies, this year, and we ask for your cooperation in this regard.

EUCHARIST: In the week after schools return from School Holidays, the APREs from both our Catholic schools have offered to work closely with our Sacramental Co-ordinator (Marg) and they will provide the Catechesis during school time (July 24th & 31st between 2-3pm), for the children who attend our Parish Schools. This of course is to be repeated at home, with the parents as well. We thank them and the Principals for their generosity to ensure the shortest delay possible. In order for this to run smoothly, Parents are requested to notify Marg of their agreement to this. Following the completion of the catechesis, we will book children in at one of our Parish Masses to receive Eucharist, dependant on the number able to attend Mass at that time. Marg will contact the families of children who attend schools, outside our Parish.

CONFIRMATION: We are hopeful that we can stick (as much as possible) to our August timetable for the receipt of this sacrament, with our Dean: Fr. Emmanuel able to be our Celebrant, but the numbers will be limited to Child, parent/s, Sponsor/s. If you are able to help us that will be much appreciated, so that hopefully, all the children can share in the one weekend. We ask you to confirm with Marg, that you want your child to continue this year, because of the restricted numbers.

RECONCILIATION: We will organise as much as possible that this Sacrament will be celebrated during school hours. Dates will be confirmed, and parents notified.

We thank all the Parents, Principals & School teachers/APREs and everyone involved, in ensuring our children are able to celebrate the Sacraments this year. This is a big job in light of restrictions, and we thank them for their efforts. It is wonderful to see Parish, School and Parishioners working together.

The children are the future of the Church!

Spiritual Support for Seafarers

Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for those who live and work at sea. There will be a national Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Donations will provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers in these challenging times of COVID-19.



"The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all. "



Best Wishes
and Prayers to
St. Anthony
and St. Luke's
School for the
New Semester





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.



Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

The Body & Blood of Christ

First Reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

Psalm

147:12-15, 19-20

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Weekly Offerings

Dear Parishioners, thank you for supporting the your parish.

- Please continue to use the envelopes, Use Direct Debit, Direct Deposit or the collection box at the doors. You can bring offerings directly to the Parish office.
- Please try the new Parish Giving Portal located on our Website or in the email sent to you.

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.**

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.

Offerings for the last weekend is: 1,537.35 (Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards).

God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

Planned Giving





Livestreamed Masses

This weekend, Fr Emmanuel will only be livestreaming mass on Sunday at 9am - From St Anthony's

Keep the wool coming..

Beanie donations reached an amazing 238 for the months of April, May and June! Well done to everyone who donated yarn or knitted the beanies! Keep up the great work!

Another practical way that our parish can support the seafarers is by donating unused toiletries from your motel stay as well as deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes. These will be included in care packs that are gifted to seafarers through Stella Maris Mission at Wynnum. All donations can be left at the church or parish office.

Please pray for...

Please take a moment to pray for:

Marie Jones, Sharon Mackenzie, Simone Brookbank, Neville Brown, Ellie Byrne, Lachlan Campbell, Emma Casonati, Denis Hannan, Kevin Hardy, Dom Jones, Tricia Kennedy, Antonina Letizia, Oliver Loveday, Jane Martin, Helen Reed, Trish Rooney, Mary Ryan, Carol Schmidt, 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 Heather Maynard, to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially James Joseph McMahon.

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. To request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions contact tl Office.

BEST WISHES AND PRAYERS

Best wishes and prayers
To all the members of our
Parish Community who
are celebrating their
Birthdays and Wedding
Anniversaries in this
Month of July.

Congratulations

Little Saints Playgroup

Little Saints Playgroup will meet from 9.00-11.00 am in the O'Gorman Street Park, Alexandra Hills on Monday 13th July. All welcome. BYO snacks. If you require transport please phone Trish on **0438863296**.

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

ROSTERS

With the resumption of Masses for 50 people rosters for Masses will be organised from the parish office. Sacristans, Mass Readers, and Data projectors please confirm your availability by ringing the parish office before Monday 20th July.

Thank you all for your help and support...!

A Stewardship Moment

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." (Matthew 13:22)

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well. (Accessed on 7th July 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

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm

Website

stanthonyandstluke.org.au

Parish Office Phone 3820 0100

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

<u>WEEKDAY</u> - 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

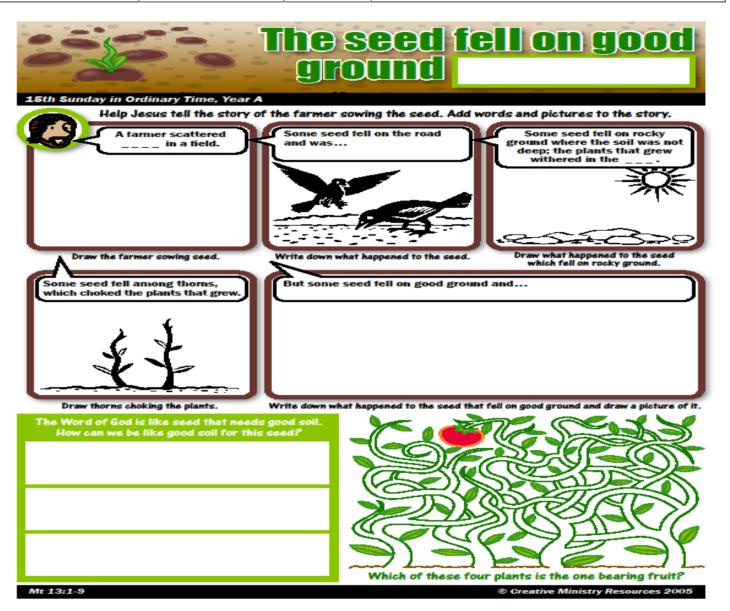
St Anthony's Kindergarten 3824 5061

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	13 July	5.00pm	Mass - St Anthony's
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TUESDAY	14 July	9.00am	Mass - St Luke's
		11.30 am	Rosary - St. Luke's
WEDNESDAY	15 July	9.00am	Mass - St. Anthony's
THURSDAY	16 July		Fr Emmanuel's Day Off
FRIDAY	17 July	9.00am	Mass - St Luke's
SATURDAY	18 July	4.30pm	Mass- St. Anthony's
		6.00pm	Mass - St. Luke's
SUNDAY	19 July	7.00am	St. Luke's Church
		9.00am	St. Anthony's Church (Live Streamed)



Catholic Leader

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