



# St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 26 July 2020

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Visit us at [www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au](http://www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au) to find out more about our parish

### Sunday Scripture

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### First Reading

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

#### Psalm

118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

#### Second Reading

Romans: 8:28-30

#### Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52 or  
Mathew: 13:44-46



### 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

#### Treasure and Delight

Two themes seem to weave through the readings for this Sunday: treasure and delight. The treasure is the extraordinary gift that comes from God; the delight is the joy that we experience when we realise that the treasure is ours. A third theme, which is found in the first reading, picks up a theme that we have considered several times during this period of Ordinary Time, namely, service of others.

The treasure is the kingdom of heaven. It is the prize that gives meaning to the present, and its fullest delight draws us into the future. The reign of God is the fulfilment of our deepest desires and our fondest hopes. Nothing in the world can compare with it, and that is why we are willing to sacrifice everything to attain it. The treasure that we find is really a gift that is given. We need not work to attain the kingdom, nor can we earn it in any way. It is given to us by God. All we have to do is accept it.

Solomon chose to be of service to others. In this he is a model for disciples to follow. We have discovered the treasure in the field; we have found the pearl of great price. What we have been given, we must now give to others. In giving we will lose nothing. In fact, we gain an abundance of blessings. All things work for good, and God is glorified in all. Such is the character of the kingdom of God.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

#### Pandemic Prayer

*Almighty and all-merciful God,  
lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,  
in whom there is no shadow of death,  
save us in this time of crisis;  
grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;  
watch over all medical people  
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;  
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;  
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.  
By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,  
that hope may never die  
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,  
may shine upon us and the whole world.  
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.  
Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.  
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.*

By The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane

## Mass Updates

**Who can come to Mass? Everyone is welcome to come to Mass!**

But you must have booked yourself online through Eventbrite. 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 are welcome to WEEKDAY MASSES and advance booking is not needed. However please write down your contact number on the sign on sheet.

However, if you answer "Yes" to any of the below questions we do ask you to stay at home.

- Are sick or do you have any cold like symptoms; fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose?
- Have you returned from overseas in the last two weeks?
- Are you waiting on Coronavirus test results?
- Please be aware that you will be required to sanitise your hands upon entry and exit and provide us with your contact details.

### Can you volunteer for the cleaning rosters at our churches?

Now that Covid-19 restrictions have eased enough for our churches to re-open for Masses, it is important for us to re-start the normal cleaning rosters. As you will understand, it is important that we continue to keep the church neat and tidy. Our hope is to have enough volunteers - so that we can clean the church twice a month. Can you help, please? Contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100.

### Parish email newsletter circulation keeps growing

Do you want to keep up-to-date with the latest news regarding our Parish changes to comply with Covid-19, as they happen? We now have over one hundred and fifty receiving the Parish Newsletter by email each week, so they can keep up with the news! To subscribe for email newsletter please call parish office.

### Booking for Masses if you don't have a computer or mobile phone

You can still book to come to a Mass - ask a family member or friends to make the bookings for you. Just make sure they make the bookings in your name and use your phone number and address etc, not their own. The Parish Office can also make bookings for you, if you don't have anyone to help you with this.

### Planned Giving Envelopes ready to collect

**Read More** The Planned Giving Envelopes are ready for collection at the churches.

### Do we know who you are?

Have you ever completed a Parish Registration Form? It would be really helpful (if you've never done one) if you could ring the Parish Office and ask for a form to be email to you. Otherwise, pop into the Parish Office and we can give you a form to complete and return to us.

**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.**



## 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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading**

Isaiah: 55:1-3

**Psalms**

144:8-9, 15-18

**Second Reading**

Romans: 8:35, 37-39

**Gospel**

Matthew: 14:13-21

## Sacramental Program

**EUCCHARIST:** the learning for this Sacrament is happening over the next 2 weeks, at both of our Parish Schools, and during school time. The children will bring home a booklet and the parent is asked to confirm with Margaret when they discuss with their child, that they are in agreement that their child understands what is involved, and they can go ahead. Margaret will be back in touch about dates for the Sacrament.

**CONFIRMATION:** Again we are grateful to our Principals and APREs for their assistance in the catechesis of the children. Mid August, this will be done at school, and the children will bring home their booklet, and the parent will agree the suitability for the children to continue, with Margaret afterwards.. We are hopeful we will have dates organised by the completion of this learning.

"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. "

**'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'**





## Weekly Offerings

Dear Parishioners, thank you for supporting the your parish.

- Please continue to use the **envelopes, Direct Debit, Direct Deposit or collection box during mass.** 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 : \$3, 250.45 (Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards).**

God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

**Planned Giving**



## Livestreamed Masses

This weekend will be the last livestream mass from Fr Emmanuel on  
**Sunday 26th July at 9am**  
**From St Anthony's**

## Ladies Group News

This week, 17 brightly coloured knee rugs were delivered to Princess Alexandra Hospital where they will bring warmth and comfort to patients in the Geriatric And Rehabilitation Unit (GARU), and 40 tiny beanies are on their way to New Guinea and Caboolture Hospitals to be gifted to sick and preterm babies.

May God bless everyone involved in this ministry which reaches out to frail and sick members of the wider community.

## Please take a moment to pray for...

Marie Jones, Sharon Mackenzie, Simone Brookbank, Neville Brown, Lachlan Campbell, Emma Casonati, Denis Hannan, John Hogan, Kevin Hardy, Dom Jones, Tricia Kennedy, Antonina Letizia, Oliver Loveday, Jane Martin, Maria Pierce, Helen Reed, Trish Rooney, Mary Ryan, Norma Shanks, Loraine Steele, Maggie Stewart, 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 Eddie Strachan, George Fraser, 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 please



## 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

## ROSTERS

Rosters for August 2020 to November 2020 have now been emailed.

If you are wanting to make any changes, please contact the parish office on 3820 2100.

Thank you for all your support.

## A Stewardship Moment

*"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)*

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens.

Trust in God, His plan is always better.



(Accessed on July 4, 2020 from <https://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections>)

## Little Saints Playgroup

Will meet from 9.00 - 11.00am in Valantine Road Park, Mackay Street Alexandra Hills (off Abelia St), on Monday's. 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](http://www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au)

PARISH OFFICE

The Office is in the demountable Behind St Anthony’s Church St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills

**Office Hours**  
Monday and Wednesday 9.00am to 3.00pm  
Tuesday and Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm  
Thursday CLOSED

**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

**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

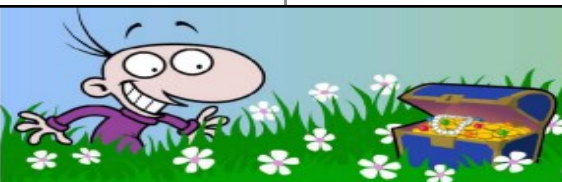
EDUCATION

**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	27 July	5.00pm	Mass - St Anthony’s
TUESDAY	28 July	9.00am 11.30 am	Mass - St Luke’s Rosary - St. Luke’s
WEDNESDAY	29 July	9.00am	Mass - St. Anthony's <i>Saint Martha</i>
THURSDAY	30 July		Fr Emmanuel’s Day Off
FRIDAY	31 July	9.00am	Mass - St Luke’s <i>Saint Ignatius of Loyola</i>
SATURDAY	1 August	4.30pm 6.00pm	<b>Mass- St. Anthony’s</b> <b>Mass - St. Luke’s</b> <i>Saint Alphonsus Liguori</i>
SUNDAY	2 August	7.00am 9.00am	<b>St. Luke’s Church</b> <b>St. Anthony’s Church (Live Streamed)</b>



# Finding the hidden treasure

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year A**

What did the man do after he found the treasure hidden in the field? Use the key below to decipher the code.

A

E

I

R

B

F

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V

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Y


H

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U

Can you find the letters that spell the word **TREASURE** hidden in the picture below?

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field."



Jesus tells us that the Kingdom of God is so valuable that we ought to be prepared to give up everything for it. What are some things in your life that you would be prepared to give up or change in order to enter God's Kingdom?

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Our Parish Team

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI - Parish Priest

Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator

Maria Mendez Villalta - Parish Secretary

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