



# St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 6 September 2020

## Twenty-Third 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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading**  
Ezekiel 33:7-9

**Psalm**  
94:1-2, 6-9

**Second Reading**  
Romans 13:8-10

**Gospel**  
Matthew 18:15-20



### 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

#### Reconcile with our Opponent

In today's Gospel Matthew suggests guidelines to solve community difficulties. Try to talk things through. Don't rush into formal proceedings until other ways have been tried.

Matthew offers wise advice in order to achieve reconciliation. The first step is a dialogue between the two people concerned. This may be sufficient to lay the matter to rest. If the difficulty remains, then discuss the issue within a small group – just one or two others. This may take time but it preserves the dignity and confidentiality of all. The breaking of the relationship with the community is the last resort. Notice that the Gospel's concern is for the individual, trying to restore them to the community.

Only as a final resort is the matter brought to public attention before the community (*ekklesia*). If the individual does not accept the wisdom of the community, then Matthew says, separate from them; treat them as you would a Gentile or Tax Collector and have nothing to do with them.

All the steps, until this last one, have been concerned to bring about a reconciliation for the offending individual. But when the matter cannot be resolved, then the concern needs to be for the unity and harmony of the community. Paul takes a similar stance in his advice to the community at Corinth (1Cor 5:1-13).

(NEW TESTAMENT COMMENTARY by Mary Coloe PBVM)



### Congratulations to all the First Communion children!

We pray that their desire for Jesus will always be in their hearts.



### Dexter Gilapay & Hennie Pedrita

Wedding Sunday 6th September 2020  
St Anthony's Church

Prayerful best wishes to them!

### Welcome to the Family

We welcome  
**Lilly Frankie May Durham**

who will be Baptised this Sunday 6th September 2020 at St Anthony's Church.

May Lilly continue to grow in God's own image and likeness.

## Sacramental Program

### Confirmation:

The children have finalised their catechesis through school times, thanks to the support of both parish schools.

The Sacraments will be celebrated as this week as follows:

- Monday 7th September at 6:00pm for children nominated for St Anthony's date
- Wednesday 9th September at 6:00pm for children nominated for St Luke's date

Let us all pray for all the children.

## Working Bee at St Anthony's Church



### Can you spare 2 hours?

Saturday 12th September 2020 beginning at 8:00am.

Jobs include: painting, window cleaning and gardening.

Please phone Trish on 0438 863 296 if you can join us, or for more information.



## Mass Updates

The link for online booking for the WEEKEND MASSES are:

St. Anthony's is: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-anthonys-mass-tickets-111775134436> St

Luke's is: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-lukes-mass-tickets-111775930818>

**Monday 7th September:** No mass at 5:00pm @ St Anthony's

**Tuesday 8th September:** Liturgy at 9:00am @ St Luke's (no mass)

**Online Bookings for weekend Masses:** The bookings will be open until Thursday afternoon prior to the upcoming Masses, unless they are fully booked.

**Phone Bookings for mass:** Phone bookings are only available during **BUSINESS HOURS** and will be open until midday on Friday prior to the upcoming Masses, unless they are fully booked.

*Please do not ring outside of office hours or on weekends to book, as we are unavailable to take the bookings at that time.*

**Future Bookings online:** Currently we have opened Masses up to the weekend 12 & 13 September. Every Friday the following weekend Masses will be opened.

*Eg... This Friday, the 19 & 20 September will be open for bookings.*

**Cancellations:** Please ring the parish office if you wish to cancel any mass bookings so other parishioners can have a chance to attend masses.

## Parish Office Update

**Thursday 17th September:** Parish office will be open 9:00am to 4:00pm

**Friday 18th September:** Parish office will be **CLOSED**

## Want to become a Catholic?

Perhaps you have been attending Mass with your partner/family for some time, although you have NOT received the Sacraments yourself? Do you feel that this is the right time to enquire about becoming a full member of our Parish Community (Sacramentally) IF so, we would like to offer you the opportunity to learn more, and prepare for that time? SO if you have not been Baptised, or if you have been baptised in another faith, please ring Margaret at the Parish Office for more information of how we can make this happen.

*"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'*



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

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading

Sirach 27:30-28:7

### Psalm

102:1-4, 9-12

### Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

### Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35



## Weekly Offerings

Dear Parishioners, thank you for supporting the your parish.

- Please try the new **Parish Giving Portal** located on our Website or via link below.  
<https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/auth/login>
- Please continue to use the **Direct Debit, Direct Deposit or envelopes at the collection box during mass**. You can bring offerings directly to the Parish office.

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 : \$2, 206.70 (Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards).

God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

**Planned Giving**



## National Child Protection Week 6 – 12 September 2020

**Celebrating 30 years with the theme "Putting children first"**



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

Joycelyn Alford, Andrew Cieslak, Glen Gray, Kevin Hardy, Lesley Hopkins, Jim Kelly, Mary Tucker 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**  
Regina Millar, Patricia Kennedy, John Hogan 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 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.



## 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 September. Congratulations



**19 – 20  
September  
2020**

### Be blessed and bless others with your gift

Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Your gift today will be a blessing to struggling local families; to seminarians and retired priests; and children in our community in dire need of the love and care of a Catholic community.

<https://catholicfoundation.org.au/catholic-campaign/>

## Holy Land Collection

Support of the Church in the Holy Land

12 to 13 – September

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land normally takes place on Good Friday. This year, due to the closure of churches around the world the date for the collection has been moved.

The collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing.

Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.3 million to this cause. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land and keep them in your prayers.

## A Stewardship Moment

"You, son of man, i have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." (Ezekiel 33:7)

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, especially the one that means the most to us.



(Accessed on August 31, 2020 from <https://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections>)

### 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
<p>The Office is in the demountable Behind St Anthony's Church St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills</p> <p><b>Office Hours</b> Monday and Wednesday 9.00am to 3.00pm Tuesday and Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm Thursday CLOSED</p> <p><b>Website</b> stanthonyandstluke.org.au</p> <p><b>Parish Office Phone</b> 3820 0100</p> <p><b>Email Address:</b> alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au</p>
PARISH MASS TIMES
<p><b>WEEKEND</b></p> <p><b>St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills</b> Saturday 4.30pm Sunday 9.00am</p> <p><b>St Luke's Church, Capalaba</b> Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 7.00am</p> <p><b>WEEKDAY</b></p> <p><b>Monday</b> 5.00pm St Anthony's Alexandra Hills</p> <p><b>Tuesday</b> 9.00am St Luke's Capalaba</p> <p><b>Wednesday</b> 9.00am St Anthony's Alexandra Hills</p> <p><b>Friday</b> 9.00am St Luke's Capalaba</p> <p><b>WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter for these)</b></p> <p><b>Wednesday</b> 2.15pm St Anthony's Alexandra Hills</p> <p><b>Friday</b> 9.00am St Luke's Capalaba</p>
RECONCILIATION TIMES
<p><b>Saturday</b> St Anthony's Alexandra Hills 4.00pm - 4.30pm <b>Or by appointment</b></p>
ADORATION
<p><b>First Friday of the Month</b> St Anthony's Alexandra Hills 6.00pm - 7.00pm</p>
EDUCATION
<p><b>Alexandra Hills - St Anthony Drive</b> St Anthony's Catholic Primary School 3820 1200 St Anthony's Kindergarten 3824 5061</p> <p><b>Capalaba - Degen Road</b> St Luke's Catholic Primary School 3245 9595 St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre 3245 3300</p>

The Week at a Glance			
MONDAY	7 September	5:00pm 6:00pm	<b>NO MASS AT ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH</b> Confirmation - St Anthony's Church
TUESDAY	8 September	9:00am 9:00am 11:30am	Liturgy - St Luke's Whole School Mass - St Anthony's School Rosary - St. Luke's <i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
WEDNESDAY	9 September	9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	Mass - St. Anthony's Funeral Service - St Anthony's Church Confirmation - St Luke's Emmaus Hall
THURSDAY	10 September		Fr Emmanuel's Day Off
FRIDAY	11 September	9:00am 10:30am	Mass - St Luke's Funeral Mass - St Anthony's Church
SATURDAY	12 September	4:30pm 6:00pm	<b>Mass- St. Anthony's</b> <b>Mass - St. Luke's</b>
SUNDAY	13 September	7:00am 9:00am	<b>St. Luke's Church</b> <b>St. Anthony's Church</b>

### Helping Hands

Helping Hands: Is your life situation is challenging for you? Do you need help? The Centre care helps is there to help. Please contact them in the following address:  
Phone: 1300 CENTACARE (1300 236 822)  
Email: centacare@bne.catholic.net.au

### Spiritual Direction

**‘We have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.’ - 2 Corinthians 7**

“What, then, a man will gain if he wins the whole world and loses his life?”.

The Archdiocese has a wonderful programme for spiritual direction. Please follow the following link:  
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/spiritual-direction/>

**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](http://www.catholicleader.com.au)

### Our Parish Team

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI - Parish Priest

Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator

Maria Mendez Villalta - Parish Secretary





## ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

### Vicar General

4 September 2020

To the People of God of Birkdale and Alexandra Hills Capalaba,

In recent times, the Episcopal Council has been asked to consider ways to assist parishes and deaneries to prepare for a time of fewer available clergy. This letter provides you with an update on the process of examining a possible sharing of priestly leadership between Birkdale and Alexandra Hills Capalaba parishes.

Following the meeting of priests, pastoral council members and finance council members with Monsignor Peter Meneely and his Executive Officer, Lisa Forbes, on 14 July at Birkdale, a Working Group was formed to consider the question and prepare a detailed proposal to be put to both parishes for consultation and feedback.

This Working Group (consisting of the PPC and FC chairs of Alexandra Hills Capalaba and Birkdale, Fr Dantus, Fr Emmanuel and Lisa Forbes) met on 5 August. A number of specific questions were raised by Birkdale representatives at this meeting and it was decided that more information was needed before a proposal could be prepared and put to the parishes for consultation.

Lisa Forbes subsequently spoke with several key people in the parish and Deanery including priests, school leadership of the three primary schools, and parish employees to seek answers to these questions. Lisa provided a summary of each interview to the Working Group, which reconvened on 25 August.

The outcome of this meeting was to recommend to the Archbishop that the Archdiocese take a slightly longer term view, looking to meet the needs of the Redlands parishes in the next 5-10 years. During this period, it is likely that the number of priests available will diminish and the Archbishop will have to make decisions about the best way to continue the provision of pastoral care.

I understand that these processes are not easy. But I trust that your faith in God, and your love for your parish community will always lead you in ways to build up the Body of Christ in charity and peace.

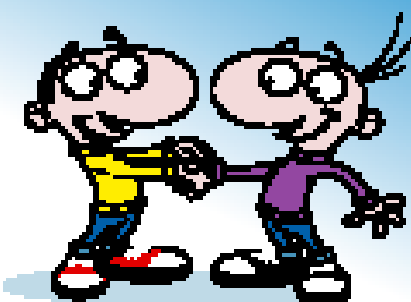
With every best wish and blessing,

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Rev Monsignor Peter J Meneely VG

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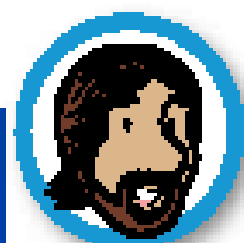
# Talk to those who do wrong by you

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

## Jesus wants us to be peacemakers

When someone does wrong things against me, I can be a peacemaker by....

When I do wrong things against someone, I can be a peacemaker by....



## How did Jesus treat sinners?

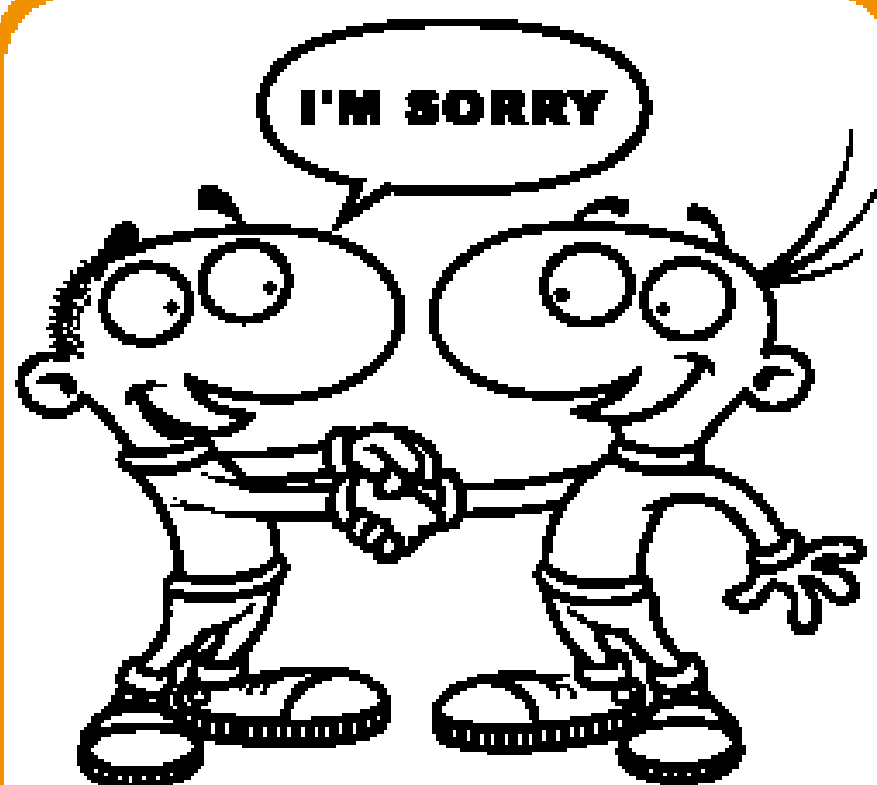
Matthew was a tax collector and was disliked by many people. Jesus shared a meal with him and other sinners. Matthew became a disciple of Jesus. *Mt 9:9-13*

Draw Jesus sharing a meal with Matthew and his friends

A woman who had sinned was brought before Jesus. The pharisees wanted Jesus to condemn her, but instead Jesus forgave her sins. *Jn 8:2-11*

Write a short prayer asking God to forgive our sins

Dear Lord, \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Amen.



If someone sins against you, speak to them and tell them what was wrong. If they listen to you, you will have won them back.

A rich man named Zaccheus climbed a tree to get a better view of Jesus. People became upset when Jesus decided to be a guest at Zaccheus' house, but Zaccheus was so happy he gave half his possessions to the poor. *Lk 19:1-10*

Draw Zaccheus in the sycamore tree