



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 16 August 2020

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday Scripture

20th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

First Reading

Isaiah: 56:1, 6-7

Psalm

66:2-3, 5-6, 8

Second Reading

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel

Matthew 15:21-28



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

The Inclusive Scope of God's Saving Plan

The Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28, telling of Jesus' encounter in the region of Tyre and Sidon with a Canaanite woman whose daughter was tormented by a devil, presents us with one of the most striking episodes of inclusiveness in the Gospel tradition.

Just prior to entering this Gentile region, Jesus had given a long instruction in response to criticism from Pharisees and scribes that he did not live according to the tradition of the elders concerning ritual purity, that is, what was 'clean' and 'unclean' in a technical religious sense (15:1-20). Rebutting the criticism, Jesus insisted that 'uncleanness' (meaning incapacity for worship) is not something that one 'catches,' like a contagious disease, from external objects or particular kinds of food. Rather, such incapacity is something that proceeds from within a person. It is not failure to perform external rituals like hand-washing but evil intentions and behaviour that flow from the heart that render a person unclean.

Many readers of the gospel will doubtless be troubled by the apparent coldness that Jesus initially displays towards this desperate person. By depicting him acting in such a way, however, the narrative first intensifies the sense of barrier between Jews and Gentiles, only to highlight the significance of what is happening when, as a result of the woman's faith, the barrier comes crashing down. Recent feminist interpretation has rightly identified this Canaanite woman as one of the great heroes of the Gospel tradition. Jesus allows her to 'educate' him out of the narrow understanding of his mission that his early responses betray. He is not only Messiah for the Jews but also the One in whose 'name the Gentiles will place their hope' (12:21). The great mission charge to the nations at the end of the gospel (28:18-20) has its anticipation and impulse here.

(SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY by Brendan Byrne SJ)

Listening Heart Ministry

Listening is sometimes the only thing to help someone. Does this time of pandemic put you into stress? You think you have to talk to a priest? Then, I have time to listen to your worries, grief or challenges in prayer life or family. You are most welcome to make an appointment through the office or you can talk to me over the phone.

National Emergency Appeal for Lebanon

In response to the horrific explosion in Beirut on the 4th of August, the Australian office of the international Catholic Charity, *Aid to the Church in Need*, has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds to support the people of Lebanon. To read more about the appeal, and to make a donation, please visit:

www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon or call **1800 101 201** during business hours: 8am-5pm, AEST.



Aid to the
Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA

Sacramental Program

Eucharist:

Children have completed their Catechesis for this Sacrament, and are ready to receive their 1st Eucharist at the following times:

St. Luke's: Thursday 20th August at 6pm in the Emmaus Hall

St. Anthony's: Wednesday 26th August at 6pm in the Santa Antonio Centre

Confirmation:

Our Parish Schools will again partner with us to enable the children are prepared to be confirmed. Their catechesis will be done through school times, on Friday 21st & Friday 28th August from 2-3pm at both St Anthony & St. Luke's. Enrolments for this Sacrament are now closed.

Please keep these children in your prayers.

**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.**



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

Mass bookings over the phone will be closed by midday Friday.

Please remember to only book for 1 mass on the weekend as we have limited numbers and want everyone to have the opportunity to attend a mass.

If you are booking for more than 1 person, please add the members first name, surname and phone number of all the individuals.

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>

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.

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-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm

137:1-3, 6, 8

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

"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 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 : \$1, 743.45 (Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards).

God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

Planned Giving



Stella Maris Mission

Some of the 52 beanies donated to Stella Maris Seafarers Mission in July. 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.

Please take a moment to pray for...

Sharon Mackenzie, Simone Brookbank, Neville Brown, Lachlan Campbell, Emma Casonati, Glen Gray, Denis Hannan, John Hogan, Kevin Hardy, Lesley Hopkins, Jim Kelly, Dom Jones, Tricia Kennedy, Oliver Loveday, Jane Martin, Maria Pierce, Helen Reed, Trish Rooney, Mary Ryan, Loraine Steele, Maggie Stewart, Anne Sullivan, 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
Marie Jones, Jose Thomas Kalathiparambil, Antonina Letizia, Eddie Strachan, Norma Shanks, George Fraser, Heather Maynard and Patricia Willard to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Benjamin L. Alberto and Josephine Prenzler.

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 July.

Congratulations

2020 Social Justice Statement Lunch

*To Live Life to the Full
(Mental health in Australia today)*

Presentation by: Archbishop Mark Coleridge

When: Wednesday, August 19 (7:30pm)

Where: St James' Hall, 92 Kirkland Avenue, Coorparoo

RSVP: Monday 17th August 2020

Register: Online - <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/19-august-launching-of-social-justice-statement-2020-2021-on-mental-health-tickets-111765240844>

"St Ignatius Parish's 14th Annual Women's Night of Spirituality."

From **Tuesday 28th July** in the comfort of your own home, you can watch the YouTube recording on the St Ignatius Parish website (www.stignatiustoowong.org.au) of this special event.

The event is for anyone seeking insight into a lived experience of God's love at work. We are truly blessed to hear from **Sr Angela Mary Doyle RSM AO** as she tells her story and **Dr Sr Maeve Louise Heaney VDMF** who provides accompaniment."

A Stewardship Moment

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." (Romans 11:29)

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.



(Accessed on August 11, 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

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

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stanthonyandstluke.org.au

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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	17 August	5:00pm	Mass - St Anthony’s
TUESDAY	18 August	9:00am 11:30am 7:00pm	Mass - St Luke’s Rosary - St. Luke’s Baptism Preparation
WEDNESDAY	19 August	9:00am	Mass - St. Anthony's
THURSDAY	20 August	6:00pm	Fr Emmanuel’s Day Off <i>Saint Bernard</i> 1st Eucharist for St Luke’s
FRIDAY	21 August	9:00am 2:00pm - 3:00pm	Mass - St Luke’s <i>Saint Pius X</i> Confirmation Catechesis at Schools
SATURDAY	22 August	4:30pm 6:00pm	Mass- St. Anthony’s Mass - St. Luke’s <i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
SUNDAY	23 August	7:00am 9:00am	St. Luke’s Church St. Anthony’s Church



The woman who had faith in Jesus

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A





Draw the Canaanite woman asking Jesus for help. Write down what the apostles and the woman each said to Jesus.

Who are the outcasts in our community? Write them in the footprints.





The Canaanite woman persisted because of her strong belief that Jesus would cure her daughter. Use the words below to find out what Jesus said.

_____ , you have _____ .
_____ your _____ .
be _____ .

granted faith Woman Let wish great

The 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
Maria Mendez Villalta - Parish Secretary

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