

St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba, Newsletter 27th June 2021

Mission Statement

"Guided by the Holy Spirit, St Anthony and St Luke's Catholic Parish is a diverse community, called to be an inclusive Eucharistic People who will live out our Baptismal call as disciples of Jesus Christ."

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24

Psalm

29:2, 4-6, 11-13

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel

Mark 5:21-43



Parish Office

Behind St Anthony's Church St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills

Office Hours

Saturday, Sunday & Monday - CLOSED

Tuesday and Friday - 9am to 2pm Wednesday and Thursday -9am to 4pm

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https://stanthonyandstluke.org.au/ Facebook:

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Scripture Reflection

'Do not be afraid; only have faith!'

Central to today's readings is God the giver of life. We are encouraged to have faith in the Lord and in the life that God brings – not just here on earth, but also in heaven. The passage from the Book of Wisdom in the First Reading, reminds us that God creates all things to have life, and to live that life well, resisting the temptations the evil one will bring.



In the Second Reading, St Paul offers guidance on responding to the many kinds of gifts that come from living that life well. We're not asked to make things harder for ourselves – but to use whatever surplus we have to share those gifts with others.

The Psalm gives us a song of praise and thanks for the gift of life, and the healing promise of the Lord. With the psalmist we can rejoice in the knowledge that the Lord comes to the help of those who call, regardless of our worthiness.

Through the miracles Jesus works in the Gospel, we are reminded once more of the healing, comfort, and new life that can be ours, if we but trust in the gift of faith.

During the week ahead, I may like to use my time in prayer with the Lord to ask for my own faith to continue to increase, so that I will have more than enough to offer those who are struggling with theirs.

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Penance for Older Children [Celebrating the First Rite of Reconciliation]



Christian Initiation [Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion] incorporates us into God's People.

Introducing children to the greatness of God's mercy in the Sacrament of Penance is a two-step process:

- Parent's Information Session: Wednesday 14th July, 7.00 pm in St Anthony's Church.

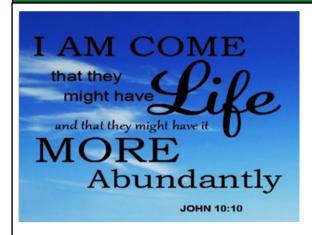
If your child is not registered, please call the parish office or email Trish on pa.alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au.



Volunteers please register on: http://archbne.org/welcome



Faith Formation for Adults



Each of us called to 'fullness of life' and we already 'have it in abundance' through the generosity of our God.

Come and See!

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6.00-7.00 pm in St **Anthony's** we aim to form a small group of 'enquirers' of the Christian Faith. Whether you are Catholic or have any thoughts or questions about becoming Catholic ... this is for you! Check in when you can.

Tuesdays: 13th & 27th July; 10th & 24th August.

We will ask questions, offer perspectives, discuss the Word of God, and let the Spirit guide and direct us in all of the above.

You are welcome to bring a friend.

Baptism for Older Children [prep year and Older]



A new initiative of our Parish family is to provide formation and preparation for school children who have not yet been Baptised.

Baptism is about being made a part of the community of faith; it is not a private family occasion.

Therefore, baptisms are normally conducted during Sunday Mass or with several other families at another time on Sunday in the parish church.

Because water is essential to all life, the water of baptism

symbolises the life-giving grace that sustains those who have become children of God. Baptism is the first sacrament. It incorporates us into the Church and through it we are 'reborn' as

daughters and sons of God.

Not only in the ceremony but throughout life, all children need a Godparent.

A godparent has to be at least 16 years old, must have been confirmed and received first Holy Communion, and needs to live a life of faith which will be an example and support to their godchild.

> Parents of Children requiring the Sacrament of Baptism for Older Children need to attend a parents meeting

Mary's Mantle Consecration - A Retreat for Spiritual Renewal

Parishioners are invited to participate in a Retreat for Spiritual Renewal – commencing 1 July - 15 August 2021, finishing on the Feast of The Assumption.

It will be a 46 day Sacred journey with 5 minutes or so of daily spiritual reading (contemplating the virtues of Mary & the gifts of the Holy Spirit), praying the Rosary and one day of fasting, all in the privacy of your home.

Receive extraordinary graces by joining in communal prayer for one another, and for the intention of **TRUTH, PEACE & UNITY.** You are also invited to watch the free inspiring video talks that accompany the retreat— a link is emailed to you weekly. On the last day, the retreat will culminate with a personal and total Consecration to Our Blessed Mother.

Registrations now open: www.ThroughOurLady.org/retreat

Miracles and graces have been reported by many who participate in this retreat. Don't miss this opportunity to receive extraordinary graces in your life and for your loved ones.

For more information, contact: Josephine (Queensland) 0424 560 297 or by email Coby@ThroughOurLady.org - Michelle@ThroughOurLady.org

"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. "





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

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:2-5

Psalm

122

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel

Mark 6:1-6

Weekly Offerings

Dear Parishioners, thank you for supporting the 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 from last week/weekend are: \$2,375.52

> (Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards) God bless you and thank you for your generosity

Best wishes and prayers

To all the members of our Parish **Community who are celebrating** their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries in these Months of June and July. Congratulations!!!

Please pray for...



Alyce MacKerras, Mary Ford, Max Veal, Kerry Balcombe, Jane Martin, Sharing Love of God Anthony [Tony] Conner, Fr Ray Sanchez, Des Sta-

pleton, Margaret Hobbs, David Haley, Norma Adams, Peter Maciejewski, Ailsa Jensen, Niamh Hughes, Sharon MacKenzie, Luis Mendez, Sonia Mendez 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, Bernadette Groth, Michael Ahern 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.

Please view our notice board for Archdiocese events, notices and positions vacant.

Pope's Monthly Intention for June/July

The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

'Do not be afraid; only have faith' Mark 5:21-24,35-43

While being conscious of the work to be done, we also have much to be thankful for. There are many signs of hope in that members of the faithful persevere with the practice of the faith... and are living their commitment to love of neighbour in myriad ways.

(Instrumentum Laboris #65)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

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

World Community for Christian Meditation Queensland

All are welcome to join us for an Introduction to Christian Meditation. Take time out and join us for a morning of prayer and quiet reflection.

"The experience of meditation is to discover that depth within us which is like a deep pool of water." Fr John Main

There will be an informal session to introduce you to Christian Meditation. Come along and ask any questions – does the Church approve of meditation? Isn't it an Eastern form of prayer? Every day I say the Rosary/go to Mass/ read Scripture ... why would I need meditation? Wouldn't I be better spending the time helping others rather than sitting doing nothing? During the morning there will be an explanation of meditation with plenty of opportunity for comments and questions and a chance to 'dip your toe in the water' with a short meditation. In a friendly, informal group you can share your reactions and then stay and have lunch with fellow seekers.

When: Saturday 31 July 2021

Time: 9.30 am to 12 noon

BYO lunch and mug for tea/coffee

Where: St Luke's Church, 45 Degen Road, Capalaba

For any queries please contact: Olive Bool - 0400 358 919 Email: olive.bool@bigpond.com

A Stewardship Moment

June 27, 2021 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B "...as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:14

One of the tenants of living a grateful and generous lifestyle is giving without expecting anything in return. It is important that we not only grow, nurture and share our gifts; but that we also teach our children and encourage others to do the same. This is the communal aspect of our Catholic faith. We are the "Body of Christ". We are called to be dependent on each other and not live in isolation.



(Accessed on June 2, 2021 from https:// www.archstl.org/aboutstewardship/bulletin-inserts/ weekly-bible-reflections)

Parish Details Alexandra Hills

St Anthony's Catholic Church
St Anthony Drive,
Alexandra Hills Q 4161

Capalaba

St Luke's Catholic Church 45 Degen Road, Capalaba Q 4157



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 NO MASS
Tuesday 9:00am St Luke's
Wednesday 9:00am St Anthony's
Thursday 4:30pm Rosary followed

by Mass St Anthony's Friday 9:00am St Luke's

WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter)

Reconciliation

Saturday

St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

4:00pm - 4:30pm **Or by appointment**

Anointing Mass

Fourth Thursday of every 2nd month

St Anthony's Church. At 5:00pm

Adoration

First Wednesday of the month

St Anthony's Church at 7:45am

Education

Alexandra Hills - St Anthony Drive

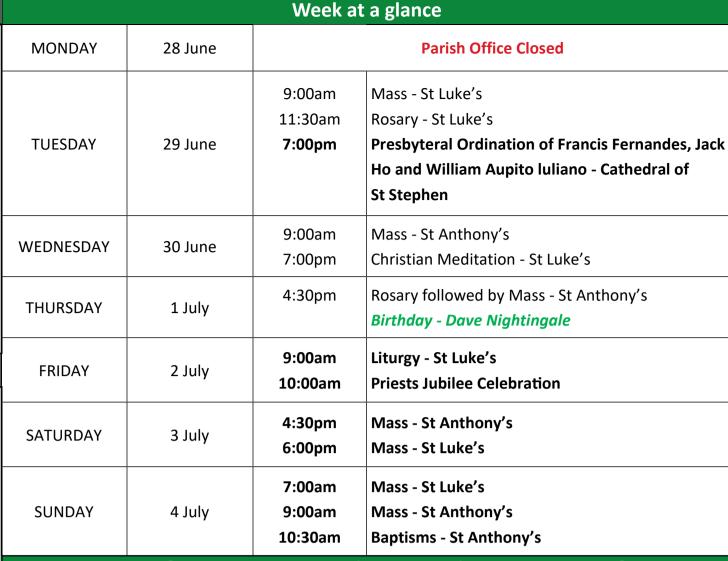
St Anthony's Catholic Primary School 3820 1200

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



CICCA [Christian Initiation of Children of Catechetical Age.]
Otherwise known as the Sacrament Program.
The Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

Sacramental preparation never stops. Parents, you have been preparing your children from a very early age. You prepare them for life. To teach them how to be loving, within your family to begin with, sharing and learning to say sorry.

The Church takes this responsibility very seriously, and therefore works to assist you in this important area of formation for their life ahead. You already make sure they are fed, sheltered, healthy, and behave in a loving, caring way.

Spirituality is also one of the basic needs of human life. As a parent, you also have the responsibility to form your child's spirituality so that they may grow in faith and be caring as an adult. Perhaps, you may take this for granted, but if you reflect back, your parents have done this for you, throughout your younger years, though you may not have noticed, or even rebelled against it as teenagers. Now it's your turn!

We are here to support you in this task of forming spirit-filled human beings for the future. How?

- 1. You may register your child at any time from July onwards, each year, for the following year.
- 2. Each child **receives a Mass Card** to be signed by the priest when you are able to take your child to any of our 4 Masses. [4.30 pm Sat & 9.00 am Sunday at Anthony's and 6.00 pm Sat & 7.00 am Sun at ST Luke's]. We recommend, to begin with, you attend every couple of weeks to fit in with your family activities. A child's comfort and participation in Mass regularly will help us discern his/her readiness to receive the Sacraments in the following year.
- 3. **In October each year,** we will have information sessions for you, the parents. It is essential for you to attend **one** of these sessions in order for you to have enough information to plan ahead for the next year.
- 4. At the **beginning of each year**, we discern with you and your child, his/her readiness to be enrolled in the Formation program for Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion or Penance for older children.
- 5. Once Enrolled, your child **must then attend the relative sessions/workshops** as planned in order for your child to celebrate the Sacraments in the first half of the year.

If you have any questions please contact Trish, Pastoral Associate.
Ph: 3820 0100 Tues, Wed, Thursday 9.00 am-2.00 pm

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners



The Archdiocese of Brisbane acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the country upon which the Archdiocese lies and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and culture.

The Archdiocese pays respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.





Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.