

St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba, Newsletter 16th January 2022

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."

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm

95:1-3.7-10

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel

John 2:1-11



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 3pm

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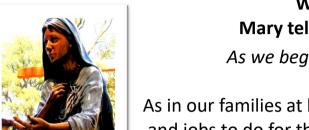
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A thought for each of you!



Do Whatever He Tells You What is Jesus calling you to?

Mary tells us to 'Do whatever he tells you'

As we begin a new year, it is time to reflect on doing what Jesus asks of us.

As in our families at home we normally would have responsibilities and jobs to do for the family home to function. We would also try and look after our most vulnerable and pick up the load when needed. Our parish family is no different!

We ask you all this weekend, what is the ONE thing you could do to grow and care for each other in our spiritual family. Imagine if everyone committed to one thing our rosters would be full to overflowing.

We are preparing more information on areas that need your assistance but look forward to your ideas.

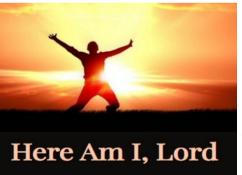
Everyone can do something:

We need intercessory prayers at home ... to all the way through to Liturgical Ministry and the toughest of jobs that younger more fit people can do. This is how families work.

Let's be "Guided by the Holy Spirit, " as Jesus and our mission calls to be an inclusive Eucharistic People who will live out our Baptismal call as disciples of Jesus Christ."

As a member of our Parish what Do you suggest?

Scripture Reflection



"Do whatever he tells you"

Weddings are a feature of this Sunday's readings. In the first reading, Isaiah uses the imagery of a wedding to describe the deep love of God for his people, while Jesus performs his first miracle at the wedding at Cana.

In the **First Reading** this week, Isaiah uses the beautiful imagery of a wedding to describe the ways in which the deep love of God for his people will transform our lives. God delights in us: 'As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride so will your God rejoice in you'.

Another wedding scene is described in today's **Gospel**. At the beginning of his public life, Jesus's love and care transform a wedding feast from disaster to joyous celebration by turning water into wine.

St Paul teaches the church in Corinth about how God works through the many different people in the church so that they (and we) can use their gifts in a variety of ways in his service, united by the one Spirit working through them all to transform the lives of others. (Second Reading)

The **Psalm** invites us to praise God and to proclaim the good news of God's transforming love to all peoples. In what ways do we need the Lord to transform our lives this week?

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Important Notice about COVID-19 from Bishop Ken

- Masks are mandatory in indoor settings and choir singers and cantors are not exempt. As singing remains a high risk activity, cantors must keep their masks at all times during the liturgy.
- Hospitality is also a high risk activity during this peak infection time. It is strongly recommended that hospitality events and gatherings, including those after Masses, be suspended.
- If you receive a request for taking Communion to someone's home, please ensure that the individual (clergy or Extraordinary Minister of Communion) is reminded of the protocols:
 - ⇒ Ask if the recipient or anyone living in the home has tested positive for COVID-19 or are experiencing any symptoms. If the answer is yes then you must wait to visit until the isolation period is complete.
 - ⇒ Wear a mask at all times, use hand sanitiser, and as much as possible, maintain social distance.
 - ⇒ Do not attend if feeling unwell or experiencing any symptoms

Additionally, as a reminder, please note the current protocols below which remain in place:

Occupancy:

- Masses, baptisms, and other liturgies (except funerals and weddings), whichever is greater:
- 1 person per 2 square metres indoors
- 100% of seated venue capacity with ticketed and allocated seating.

Reminder to parishioners of existing protocols such as maintaining social distancing when queuing for Holy Communion or exiting the church. Additionally, shaking hands at the Sign of Peace or after Mass should be suspended.

Places of worship must continue to ensure attendees are registered via the Check-in Qld app and operate in accordance with the COVID Safe Checklist.

Masks: Anyone entering a church or workplace (over the age of 12) are required to wear a face mask. This includes when people are seated or moving around. This also includes parish staff working in a parish office. The following exemptions apply:

- Clergy should wear a mask when entering, distribution of Holy Communion and exiting the Church. Clergy should wear a mask at all times except where clear enunciation or visibility of the mouth is essential during the liturgy.
- Clergy should wear a mask when entering, distributing Holy Communion and exiting the Church.
 The Reader may lower his/her mask for the readings.

Cleaning requirements remain in place

If a COVID-19 positive person has attended a Mass Centre, it should be temporarily closed for the period of time long enough to perform a routine clean. Routine cleaning with standard household cleaning products is acceptable. Queensland Health has advised that a deep clean is no longer considered necessary.

Precautions: We encourage you to continue with routine precautions minimising the risk of transmission of COVID-19 including:

- Maintain good hand hygiene
- Stay home when you are sick or have symptoms such as fever, cough, runny nose, and sore throat.
- Maintain social distancing where possible (1.5m) when you're outside your home. Keep your distance if you can: at the shops, on public transport, at work, and when you're visiting with others. Shaking hands, hugging and kissing hello are still not COVID safe.

While advice is changing often, please find a helpful summary of the <u>testing and isolation protocols</u> here to assist you in understanding the timelines for those who receive a positive test or are considered close contacts.

Please be vigilant during this time as we seek to keep our employees, parishioners and volunteers safe.



"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

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Psalm

18:8-10

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

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.

(Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards)

God bless you and thank you for your generosity

Padua Place Vacancy

Padua Place has a vacancy for a 2 bedroom unit. Interested persons should acquire an application form from the Parish office and return to the office. Applications close mid January.

Baptism for Older Children

We are aware that many parents haven't had the opportunity to Baptise their children as infants. To this end, we are offering Baptism for older children in Primary School. Please email Trish for an application form. pa.alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

Best wishes and prayers

To all the members of our Parish Community who are celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding **Anniversaries in this Month of** January. Congratulations!!!

Safeguarding Officer Volunteer NEEDED

We are currently in need of a Volunteer to become our Safeguarding Officer as soon as possible. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

Purpose

To promote a culture of safeguarding within the Archdiocese and reduce the risks of abuse and harm.

Scope

This policy applies to all parishes, ministries, and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Brisbane and to Associations of Christ's Faithful or Public Juridic Persons which freely opt in to its application and which enter into an agreement with the Archdiocese accordingly. The policy applies to all Archdiocesan workers (including clergy, religious, employees and volunteers).

Please pray for...



Bob Kohlman, Ronald Thorne, Gisela Kostic (Sylvia's Mum), Joan Balcombe Meghan Chir-Sharing Love of God cop, Rishani Wickramasuriya, Julie Vincent, Rishani Wick-

ramasuriya, Denis Bowman, Joe Andrews, Christine Hahes, Chris Dennis, Gerry Stack, Kerry Ann See, Mary Ford, Max Veal, Kerry Balcombe, Anthony [Tony] Conner, Des Stapleton, Margaret Hobbs, Norma Adams, Peter Maciejewski, Ailsa Jensen, Sharon MacKenzie, Luis & Sonia Mendez, Alfredo & Jennifer 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, 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.

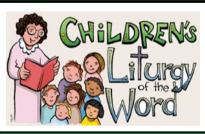
Note: All names for prayers will remain in the newsletter for one month.

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

Safeguarding Principles

- Safeguarding is a shared responsibility.
- Treat everyone with dignity and respect.
- Prioritise the protection and best interests of children and adults-at-risk.
- Provide safe physical and online environments.
- Actively identify and manage safeguarding and abuse risks.
- Monitor compliance with safeguarding standards, policies, and procedures.
- Respond promptly and effectively to abuse concerns, suspicions, disclosures, complaints, reports, and incidents.
- Comply with all legal obligations to report suspected abuse and harm.

Children's Liturgy of the Word



As mentioned on Page 2, it is critical to maintain our social distancing for a safe and healthy environment. Therefore, we will suspend Children's Liturgy of the Word for Term 1. In Hope, we will need willing Leaders to continue in Term 2.

Baptisms for Infants: Parents Preparation



All parents who wish to have their infants/toddlers Baptised, are requested to come to a preparation session on the third Wednesday evening of the month at 7.00 pm in St Anthony's Church, 1 St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills. All information regarding your child's Baptism will be discussed. Please check you can attend one of the sessions prior to boking a date for Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated in St Anthony's Church 10.30 am, 1st Sunday of each month & at St Luke's Church 10.30 am, 3rd Sun of the month.

Parish Details	Week at a glance			
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 https://stanthonyandstluke.org.au/	MONDAY	17 January	Parish Office Closed	
	TUESDAY	18 January	9:00am 11:30am 7:00pm	Mass - St Luke's Rosary - St Luke's Baptism Preparation
	WEDNESDAY	19 January	9:00am	Mass - St Anthony's
	THURSDAY	20 January	4:30pm 7:30pm	Rosary followed by Mass - St Anthony's St Vincent de Paul Meeting
Parish Mass Times WEEKEND	FRIDAY	21 January	9:00am	Mass - St Luke's
St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills Saturday 4.30pm Sunday 9.00am St Luke's Church, Capalaba Saturday 6.00pm	SATURDAY	22 January	4:30pm 6:00pm	Mass - St Anthony's Mass - St Luke's
Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 7.00am WEEKDAY Monday NO MASS Tuesday 9:00am St Luke's Wednesday 9:00am St Anthony's	SUNDAY	23 January	7:00am 9:00am	Mass - St Anthony's Mass - St Luke's

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

Reconciliation

4:30pm Rosary followed

by Mass St Anthony's

9:00am St Luke's

Saturday

Thursday

Friday

St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter)

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

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

Phone: 3820 1200

Address: St Anthony's Drive,

Alexandra Hills

Email: palexhills@bne.catholic.edu.au

St Anthony's Kindergarten

Phone: 3824 5061

Address: St Anthony's Drive,

Alexandra Hills

St Luke's Catholic Primary School

Phone: 3245 9595

Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba Email: pcapalaba@bne.catholic.edu.au

St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre

Phone: 3245 3300

Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba









THIS IS AN URGENT MESSAGE Please share this with family and friends.

Due to the children's change in school days and social distance I will need to set up another Sacraments Preparation schedule for 2022.

ALL DATES AND EVENTS FOR CICCA WILL NEED TO BE RESCHEDULED.

Please ignore all information given prior to Christmas.

No dates will be set in cement. Therefore communication is paramount especially for the school parents.

May the Holy Spirit guide and direct us though our journey.

Thank you and blessings

Trish. Pastoral Associate.

Newsletter available via Email!

Contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100 or alexhillscap@bne.catholicnet.au You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our Website and Facebook







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.