What's on in the community

The Marriage Course | 4th August at 7:30pm-9:00pm | Online course | \$25 per person

The Marriage Course offers seven practical online sessions to help strengthen your most important relationship. Seven practical online sessions in the privacy of your own home covering topics from the art of communication, to resolving conflict, to the power of forgiveness. Thursday nights beginning 4th August 2022 (for seven weeks, finishing on 15th September). Register before 25th July. Register here: https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/TheMarriageCourse

Guided Retreat | 19– 21st August at 6:00pm | Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington Street, Ormiston | \$400 Experience spiritual renewal and growth at this weekend-long guided retreat at the tranguil Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre. Throughout the course of the retreat, you'll be accompanied by spiritual director and Evangelisation Brisbane's Associate Director of Adult Formation, Shane Dwyer. Register here: <u>https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/</u> GuidedRetreatAugust2022

'A Morning's Prayer' | 3rd September 2022 at 9:00am | Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington Street, Ormiston | \$20 The Catholic experience can be about liturgy, sacraments and responding to Church teaching. As valuable as these elements of our faith are, A Morning's Prayer is about locating something that sits underneath all that - the profound engagement with God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – who loves us and desires to walk with us in our lives as they are. Register here: https://santateresa.org.au/news-events/

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STOPline Service

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"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.

STOPline: 1300 304 550 | Email: AOB@stopline.com.au



St Luke's Catholic Primary School Phone: 3245 9595 Email: pcapalaba@bne.catholic.edu.au St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre Phone: 3245 3300 Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba

St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

"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."

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Parish Churches 31 July 2022

Dear Parishioners and visitors.

Have you ever tried to settle a money dispute or an inheritance issue? Inheritance disputes are rarely ever easy to resolve, especially when the relatives or close associates of the deceased benefactor cannot agree on who should get what and who should get the most. Why did Jesus refuse to settle an inheritance dispute between two brothers? He saw that the heart of the issue was not justice or fairness but rather greed and possessiveness.

Parish Office

Office Hours

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Alexandra Hills Q 4161

&

St Luke's Church

45 Degen Road, Capalaba Q 4157

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Loving possessions rather than loving my neighbour

The ten commandments were summarized into two prohibitions - do not worship false idols and do not covet what belongs to another. It's the flip side of the two great commandments - love God and love your neighbour. Jesus warned the man who wanted half of his brother's inheritance to "beware of all covetousness." To covet is to wish to get wrongfully what another possesses or to begrudge what God has given to another. Jesus restates the commandment "do not covet", but he also states that a person's life does not consist in the abundance of his or her possessions.

August of Hippo (354-430 AD) comments on Jesus' words to the brother who wanted more: Greed wants to divide, just as love desires to gather. What is the significance of 'guard against all greed,' unless it is 'fill yourselves with love?' We, possessing love for our portion, inconvenience the Lord because of our brother just as that man did against his brother, but we do not use the same plea. He said, 'Master, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.' We say, 'Master, tell my brother that he may have my inher-

itance.' (Sermon 265.9)

The fool who was possessed by his riches

Jesus reinforces his point with a parable about a foolish rich man (Luke 12:16-21). Why does Jesus call this wealthy landowner a fool? Jesus does not fault the rich man for his industriousness and skill in acquiring wealth, but rather for his egoism and selfishness it's mine, all mine, and no one else's . This parable is similar to the parable of the rich man who refused to give any help to the beggar Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). The rich fool had lost the capacity to be concerned for others. His life was consumed with his possessions and his only interests were in himself. His death was the final loss of his soul! What is Jesus' lesson on using material possessions? It is in giving that we receive. Those who are rich towards God receive ample reward - not only in this life - but in eternity as well.

Where is your treasure?

In this little parable Jesus probes our heart - where is your treasure? Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. What do you treasure above all else?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, free my heart from all possessiveness and from coveting what belongs to another. May I desire you alone as the one true treasure worth possessing above all else. Help me to make good use of the material blessings you give me that I may use them generously for your glory and for the good of others.

Scripture Readings

This Sunday, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23 Psalm: Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17 Second Reading : Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Gospel : Luke 12:13-21

Next Sunday, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Wis 18:6-9 Psalm: Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20 Second Reading: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

MONDAY 8.30am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba THURSDAY 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale SATURDAY 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. OR By Appointment (call: 3820 0100)

Ladies Group will meet for friendship, in the St. Anthony's Parish Hall on Wednesday 3rd August 9:00am-11:00am. All are welcome!

Mass Times 1st - 7th August 2022 MONDAY **NO MASS** WEDNESDAY 5.00pm, St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS **THURSDAY** 9.00am, St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS 6.00pm, St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE FRIDAY 9.30am, St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE **SATURDAY** 4.30pm St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS

6.15pm St Mary Mackillop Church, BIRKDALE SUNDAY

7.00am St Luke's Church, CAPALABA 8.00am St Mary Mackillop Church, BIRKDALE

9.00 am St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS

We remember and pray for Maria Mercedes Campbell, Nelson Penaflor, Greta Fitzpatrick, Irena Kelly, Denis Bowman, Joe Andrews, Christine Hahes, Chris Dennis, Gerry Stack, Kerry Ann See, Mary Ford, Max Veal, Kerry Balcombe, Anthony Conner, Des Stapleton, Margaret Hobbs, Norma Adams, Peter Maciejewski, Ailsa Jensen, Sharon MacKenzie, Alfredo & Jennifer Mendez, Samuel Tyler, Bob Kohlman, Ronald Thorne, Gisela Kostic, Joan Balcombe, Meghan Chircop, Julie Vincent, Peter Kwok-Sun, Antonio Ramando, Josephine Murphy, Helen Meade,

We pray for those in our community who are ill, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them

Baptism

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the Month (10.00am to 11.00am), at St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE

Support Your Parish

Thank you so much to all who support our Parish financially. Our bank account details for Electronic Funds Transfer deposits are as follows: BSB: 064 786 Account No: 100017590

Account Name: Alexandra Hills Capalaba Parish

Kindly reference your deposit with your surname. To join a direct debit and Planned giving programme please contact the Parish office.

We thank God for the gift of life. We wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their Birthdays in the month of August!



Baptism for Infants

Baptisms are celebrated in the Parish

every Sunday at 10:30am either in St Anthony's Church or St Luke's Church. Parents have a choice of which Church and the Date of the Baptism. Parents are invited to a Parents Preparation session at 7:00pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, in St. Anthony's Church. Baptisms are always celebrated AFTER the parents have attended the Preparation Session.

Please contact the Parish office 3820 0100 or

alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au to register for the programme.

To protect your privacy, we are required by the National privacy Act Australia to collect a written prayer intention form, which is available at the Entrance of the Church and from the Parish office.

St. Mary MacKillop

Archbishop of Brisbane, Mark Coleridge invites you to a special celebration of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop, patron of the Archdiocese, on her feast day, Monday 8 August. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am at the Cathedral of St. Stephen, Brisbane



Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Celebrated at 10.00am on Monday, 8 August Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane

followed by morning tea in the surrounding grounds. To RSVP, email rsvp@bne.catholic.net.au or call (07) 3324 3200.

Join the Ministries!

We are in need of more people to participate in our weekend liturgies. We are requiring volunteers to assist with *Altar Serving

*Sacristan (9am Mass)

*Readers

*Extraordinary Ministers of Communion *data projector operator *greeters/welcomers

Training is available for all the above ministries at your choice of Mass. The roster for the St. Anthony's church is due the week of the 15th August (roster rotation for 6 months). If you'd like to join the above ministries, please contact Emily at the Parish Office to register your interest. Safe Guarding & Blue Card paperwork will need to be completed.

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.

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PHONE:



If you are new to the Parish, please fill this form and drop it in the collection box or give us your details by phone, on 3820 0100 or email, alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.

NAME:

Mass Intentions: Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the Entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and date.



Little Saints Play Group LITTLE SAINTS PLAYGROUP IS BACK! Children from birth to school age along with their parents, grandparents or carers are welcome to join us for friendship and social play each Monday 8.45am - 11.00am in the parish

hall at St Anthony's.

Drop in and say 'hello'. You will be assured of a warm welcome.

Parish groups

Monday 1.00 pm Rosary group, St Mary's, Birkdale Tuesday 11.30 am, Rosary group, St Luke's , Capalaba Wednesday 11.00 am Rosary, St Mary's, Birkdale 3.30 pm, Prayer of Two Hearts, St Anthony's, **Alexandra Hills** 4.00 pm, Rosary, St Anthony's, Alexandra Hills Friday 9.00 am, Rosary, St Mary's, Birkdale



Remembering Ron Green

We welcome you to Ron's celebration of life on Friday 5th August at 11:00am at St. Anthony's Church. The service will be followed by burial at Cleveland Cemetery at 12:30.

Are you New to the Parish?

We look forward to welcome you to our New Parishioners Welcome Night.

EMAIL: