### What's on in the community

#### A Morning's Prayer

A facilitated morning with time for input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing.

Date: October 29 @ 9:00am- 12:00pm

Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington Street,

Ormiston 4160 Cost: \$20

Purchase tickets from: <a href="https://santateresa.org.au/news-events/">https://santateresa.org.au/news-events/</a>

#### **Journey in October**

Facilitated by Sr Mel Dwyer, Journey meets one Sunday morning each month, usually for a bushwalk and brunch.

Date: October 30 @ 7:30am- 11:00am

Location: Mount Gravatt Conservation Reserve, 26 Mount Gravatt

Outlook Drive, Mount Gravatt 4122

More information from: https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/

Cost: Free

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## PENANCE FOR OLDER CHILDREN [Year 5 & 6]

Tuesday 11th October 2022

Parents' Session CICCA PENANCE FOR OLDER CHILDREN 8.30 am St Luke's Church OR 7.00 pm St Anthony's Church

Tuesday 18th October 2022
CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS
6.00 pm CICCA PENANCE FOR OLDER
CHILDREN Workshop #1

St Luke's Church

Tuesday 1st November 2022
6.00 pm CICCA PENANCE FOR OLDER
CHILDREN Workshop #2
St Luke's Church

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>>> REGISTRATION BEFORE MONDAY <<<

Please email pa.alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au



#### WORLD COMMUNITY DAY 2022



Renewal through Trust: Caring brings Renewal

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 2pm Capalaba Uniting Church 30 Ney Road, Capalaba, Qld. 4157



Friday 21st October 2022, following the 9:30am Parish Mass

Entry: \$5Roy's Poetry Book: \$15- (proceeds go towards our East Timor Sister Parish
Please bring gold coins for "Challenge Roy for a Poem".
Special guest speaker—Fr Frank Jones
Photographic Display
Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

Mary MacKillop Parish Centre Cnr. Hardy and Birdwood Roads, Birkdale

Tickets may be purchased after Mass or RSVP to Lisa Knight on 3822 213 email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, please contact the Parish Office.

St. Mary MacKillop Event.



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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 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."

1, St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills, Qld 4161 Phone: 3820 0100 Email: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

Web: www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au Facebook: St Anthony and St Luke's Parish

#### **Parish Churches**

#### 9 October 2022

#### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Anthony's Church 1 St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills Q 4161

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

#### Parish Office

Office Hours

Mon, Wed & Fri: 9am to 2pm

#### Parish Personnel

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#### Education

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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

#### Dear Parishioners and visitors,

What can adversity teach us about the blessing of thanksgiving and the healing power of love and mercy? The Book of Proverbs states: A friend loves at all times; and a brother is born for adversity (Proverbs 17:17). When adversity strikes you find out who truly is your brother, sister, and friend. The Gospel records an unusual encounter between two peoples who had been divided for centuries. The Jews and Samaritans had no dealings with one another even though Samaria was located in the central part of Judea. Both peoples were openly hostile whenever their paths crossed. In this Gospel narrative we see one rare exception - a Samaritan leper in company with nine Jewish lepers. Sometimes adversity forces people to drop their barriers or to forget their prejudices. When this band of Jewish and Samaritan lepers saw Jesus they made a bold request. They didn't ask for healing, but instead asked for mercy.

#### Mercy is heartfelt sorrow at another's misfortune

The word mercy literally means "sorrowful at heart". But mercy is something more than compassion, or heartfelt sorrow at another's misfortune. Compassion empathises with the sufferer. But mercy goes further - it removes suffering. A merciful person shares in another's misfortune and suffering as if it were his or her own. And such a person will do everything in his or her power to dispel that misery. Mercy is also connected with justice. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274), a great teacher and scripture scholar, said that mercy "does not destroy justice, but is a certain kind of fulfilment of justice. Mercy without justice is the mother of dissolution; (and) justice without mercy is cruelty." Pardon without repentance negates justice.

#### God's mercy brings healing of mind, heart, and body

So what is the significance of these ten lepers asking for mercy? They know they are in need of healing, not just physical, but spiritual healing as well. They approach Jesus with contrition and faith because they believe that he can release the burden of guilt and suffering and make restoration of body and soul possible. Their request for mercy is both a plea for pardon and release from suffering. Jesus gives mercy to all who ask with faith and contrition.

Why did only one leper out of ten return to show gratitude? Gratefulness, another word which expresses gratitude of heart and a thankful disposition, is related to grace - which means the release of loveliness. Gratitude is the homage of the heart which responds with graciousness in expressing an act of thanksgiving. The Samaritan approached Jesus reverently and gave praise to God.

Ingratitude leads to lack of love and kindness, and intolerance towards others If we do not recognise and appreciate the mercy and help shown to us we will be ungrateful and unkind towards others. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other vices, such as complaining, grumbling, discontentment, pride, and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, pastors, teachers, and neighbours? Do you express gratitude to God for his abundant help and mercy towards you and are you gracious, kind, and merciful towards your neighbour in their time of need and support?

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#### **Scripture Readings**

This Sunday, 28th in Ordinary Time First Reading: Kings 5:14-17 Psalm: 97:1-4

Second Reading: St. Paul 2:8-13 Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**



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

#### 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)

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

#### **Mass Times**

10-16 October 2022

#### **MONDAY**

9:00am, St Luke's Church, CAPALABA

#### **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**

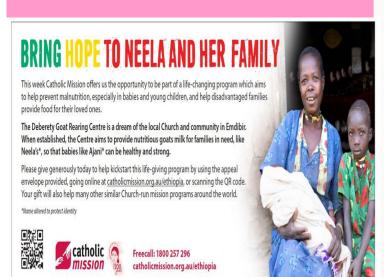
7.00am St Luke's Church, CAPALABA 8.00am St Mary Mackillop Church, BIRKDALE

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, Chris Dennis, 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, Meghan Chircop, Julie Vincent, Peter Kwok-Sun, Antonio Ramando, Josephine Murphy, Helen Meade, Leo Berge, Ross Davies, Emma Magebilin, Garzio Vella,

The month of October is dedicated as the Most Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed before each Parish Mass for the month of October commencing 30 minutes prior to the Mass. Everyone is invited to come and join the prayers.





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.

#### **Parish Prayer 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

9.00 am, Rosary, St Mary's, Birkdale

# THE GRACE BAPTISM RETREAT



Discover how precious you are in Christ, experience the Healing Touch of God, encounter the Holy Spirit....

Presented by: The Mission Team of CCR Brisbane A group of lay people whose mission is to encourage others to "foster a personal conversion and relationship with Jesus Christ through the release of the Holy Spirit."

Date: 15 October 2022, Saturday

Time: 9.30am - 4pm

Venue: St Rita's Catholic Parish, Unitas Centre 37/39 Benfer Road, Victoria Point

Lunch, morning & afternoon tea provided. Please register for catering purposes please. Registration: May 0435212787 or EJ 0403658827

#### **Ladies Group Meeting**

**Lunch at The Bush Pantry** - Wednesday 2nd November 12noon. All Welcome

Thank You Morning Tea - Wednesday 16th November from 10.00am in the Parish Hall. All Welcome

Christmas Stall following all masses 3rd and 4th December - support St Vincent de Paul For further information please contact the Parish Office

#### **Little Saints Play Group**

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.

**PLAYGROUP RESUMES MONDAY 10TH OCTOBER** 

Celebrate St Luke's Feast Day



Wednesday 19th October From 10.00 am Parish Hall Fun, friendship, morning tea and lucky door prizes All Welcome



#### Are you New to the Parish?

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.

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

PHONE:

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