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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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Facebook: [St Anthony and St Luke's Parish](https://www.facebook.com/StAnthonyandStLukesParish)

Parish Churches

St Anthony's Church
1 St Anthony Drive,
Alexandra Hills Q 4161
&
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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St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre
Phone: 3245 3300
Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba

27 November 2022

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

Welcome to the New Liturgical Year, (year A (1)). The word 'Advent' is from the Latin 'Adventus' for "coming" or "arrival". Advent is the time of preparation for the coming of Christ, a special time set apart to prepare to celebrate the first coming of Jesus on Christmas and also set the hearts on the second coming of Jesus Christ at the fulfilment of time.

We have a special tradition of lighting the advent candles during this liturgical season. These candles symbolize the light of Christ who is coming. The first purple candle, together with the gospel, invites us to increase our *hope* and stay awake all the time for the coming of the Lord. The next three candles reflect our growth in our *love* (Purple), *Joy* (pink) and *Faith* which is the source of *Peace* (Purple). The church being prepared for receiving Christ, lights the white 'Christ Candle' on the day of Christmas because our salvation, our God is with us.

The life of a Christian is always a life of expectation and hope, which is based on the deep faith in the Salvation freely offered in and through Jesus Christ. We find the Church, and the entire humankind, nations, civilizations, cultures, all on an experience and searching along the courses of time. We find the answer for this search in Jesus, who guides us with history towards the fulfilment of the Kingdom of God.

In the first letter to the Thessalonians St. Paul is providing us the means to make our preparations to receive the messiah more effective and fruitful: Let us acknowledge God in all our ways and he will direct our paths. Mutual love is required of all Christians. And love is of God and neighbour. it is fulfilling the gospel as well as the law. Holiness is required of all who are awaiting the messiah. This holiness is not attained by running away from world or leaving the realities of life. But fulfilling our daily lives and responsibilities in love, in Christ.

In this Advent season let us become more aware of the Lord coming every moment into our lives. Let us walk and live in the light of the Lord.

Lord's Blessings, Father Regi



Information about our Parish

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the month (10am-11am) at St. Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday 8:30am at St. Luke's Church, Capalaba
Thursday 5:30pm at St. Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale
Saturday 4:00pm at St. Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills
Alternatively, by appointment by calling (07) 3820 0100

Parish Prayer Groups

Monday 1:00pm Rosary at St Mary MacKillop

Tuesday 11:30am Rosary at St Luke's

Wednesday 11:00am Rosary at St. Mary MacKillop
3:30pm Prayer of Two Hearts at St Anthony's
4:00pm Rosary at St Anthony's

Friday 9:00am Rosary at St Mary MacKillop

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.

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



We remember and pray for

All those who are sick, especially Maria Mercedes Campbell, Nelson Penafior, 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, Tony Metzen and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who are for them.

We commend all the recently deceased.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur during this time, especially

Felix Aguiar, Sarah Armatys, The Dwyer Family, Phil Edwards, Dorothy & Miriam Black

If you would like your name or a family members name added, please email Emily on alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

MASS TIMES

28 NOVEMBER—4 DECEMBER

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

Parish Banking

Thank you so much to all who support our Parish financially. Our bank account details are as follows:

BSB: 064 786

Account No: 1000 17592

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL:



The SVDP members will be conducting their Christmas Appeal within the parish on the week-ends of 3/4th and 10/11th December. Donations of pantry items and Christmas food are requested and may be left in the boxes at the rear of the churches during all masses. Thank you for assisting us to make the Christmas of those whom we assist a little brighter.

Thank you for your donations during this time.



Pope's Prayer Intention November 2022

Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



GIFT THE CHILDREN IN YOUR PARISH THE CHRISTMAS SEASON ACTIVITY BOOK

'Christmas isn't just one day!' is now available in our Piety Stall in both Churches for \$2.50. Through stories, puzzles, colouring-in, recipes and prayers – as well as a few ideas for parents – this little book covers most of the scripture stories and feasts of the whole of the Christmas season. Most importantly, it shares the message of God's love, revealed through the birth of Jesus our Lord.

For the Children...

Be Ready
The word "Advent" means coming. During Advent we think about when Jesus will return and will be ready. Jesus reminded the people around him about Noah's story because he wanted them all to know how important it is to be ready for the coming of God.

LET US PRAY
Our friend Jesus, We ask you to send your spirit to guide us, so that we will lead good lives and be ready to greet you when you return. Amen



Baptism for Infants

Baptisms are celebrated regularly in our Parish. Please contact Emily in the Parish office or email to register for the programme.



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.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Christmas Stall and Raffle

Christmas Stall following all masses 3rd and 4th December. Handmade gifts– hand towels, coat hangers, jam and marmalade. Christmas decorations, wrapping paper and plants. All at bargain prices, cash only please. All profits will be donated to St. Vincent De Paul.



BIBLES AND TOILETRIES FOR SEAFARERS

The Ladies Group is continuing the motel toiletries collection for seafarers and donations can be left at any Mass throughout the year.

Stella Maris is also seeking donations of Bibles for the seafarers. If you have any bibles excess to your needs, please leave them at either church.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

BLESSING THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Let us put Christ back into the Christmas Tree with this simple blessing of the tree.

The first week of Advent we say:

Dear God,

We ask a blessing upon this tree as it is a reminder to us of the birth of your Son, Jesus. May its green leaves be signs of our hope.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The Prophecy Candle

Before Jesus came into the world God spoke to His people through the Prophets, telling them about the one who was to come, who will be a light unto the world and saviour to us all.

The first Advent candle is a candle of *hope*, it reminds us of how thousands of years ago people *hoped* and waited for Jesus, and today, we can have *hope* in Jesus too.

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