Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023

- **TEACHING PRAYER** 1.
- **RESHAPING PARISH COMMUNITIES**
- BRINGING CULTURAL COMMUNITIES TO THE CENTRE 3.
- 4. **RESPONDING TO ABUSE AND THE ABUSED**
- 5. ENGAGING ANEW WITH FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES
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- EMBEDDING SYNODAL GOVERNANCE 7.



Bishop Ken Howell appointed bishop of Toowoomba by Pope Francis

BRISBANE Auxiliary Bishop Ken Howell has been appointed the next Bishop of Toowoomba by Pope Francis today, the feast of Our Lady Help of Christians.

Bishop Howell, who has been a priest of Brisbane archdiocese for 40 years, said he was humbled to be called by Pope Francis to shepherd Toowoomba diocese. He said he hoped to bring a ministry of "genuine" engagement with the people" to Toowoomba.

"I'm standing on the edge of some new challenges and new opportunities; I see it as a great opportunity to be with people – especially in a country diocese. "I think that will be a great joy for me."

Bishop Howell paid tribute to Toowoomba Bishops Robert McGuckin and William Morris for their leadership over the last 30 years. "I very much look forward to seeking out their wisdom as I move into being Bishop of Toowoomba," He said he knew the diocese had been in "excellent hands" when he takes over from Bishop McGuckin.

We wish Bishop Ken all our Prayers and best wishes as He begins his new ministry in the diocese of Toowoomba.



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The Modern Slavery Act failed to create has "meaningful change" three vears after its introduction

and is not strong enough to combat the scourge of modern slavery, according to a report tabled in federal Parliament yesterday. Read more: Cathnews.com

NATSICC expresses support for Voice to Parliament The National Aboriginal

and Torres Strait Islander

Catholic Council says a constitutionally enshrined Indigenous Voice to Parliament would "serve as the bedrock for the journey towards reconciliation". Read more: Cathnews.com

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email: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.

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28 May 2023

At the very outset let me wish you all a very Happy Birthday! Yes, the feast of Pentecost being the birthday of the Church, as a Нарру Birthday ... community of Christ, it is our birthday. Historically speaking Pentecost originated as a prominent Jewish feast, literally meaning "the fiftieth [day]". Later, in the Christian tradition, it became a feast commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples, fifty days after Easter.

Signs and symbols are essential and It is through them we human beings communicate. To represent the Holy Spirit, we use symbols like fire and dove. n the day of Pentecost, the disciples began speaking a language that everybody assembled there could understand. They received the 'Gift of Tongue'. What was in fact that new language that the disciples spoke which could be understood by everybody? Was it Latin, Greek, Hebrew or one of the known languages? Was it a language of the "past" or "future" No, none of them!

There is only one language that everybody could understand - the language of love! That beautiful language is expressed through emotions and feelings, compassion and selflessness. It is that very same language Mother Teresa spoke, St Francis of Assisi spoke. The language of Love can be understood even by animals and birds.

Let us try to grow beyond our material world and go beyond words. That is the only way to reveal the effects of the true anointing of the Holy Spirit which we shared especially in the 'Sacrament of Confirmation'. When the disciples of Jesus imbibed his Spirit; it elevated them to a new level of consciousness, which enabled them to envision and pursue a multilingual, multicultural, multiracial mission. The Spirit of Christ enabled them to form a community of love and sharing.

The Spirit brings newness and our good choices makes us partakers in that newness. People are often divided on, past and present, language and race, sex and ethnicity. Pentecost challenges us to examine our own attitudes in this regard, to reject and replace any prejudice that lurks within us, and to open our hearts to all people, even and especially those who do not share our faith and culture.

The feast of Pentecost is calling us to come out of our hiding place, our comfort zone, the upper room where we enjoy safety and security. Pentecost invites us to reach out, to cross the boundaries of differences because Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Unity, Life and Freedom.





PENTECOST SUNDAY

Dear Parishioners and visitors,



	MASS TIME	ES 29 MAY—4 JUNE 2023
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
TUESDAY	6.00 PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
WEDNESDAY	5.00 PM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
THURSDAY	9.00 AM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
FRIDAY	9.30 AM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
SATURDAY	4.30 PM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
	6.15 PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
SUNDAY	7:00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
	8:00 AM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
	9:00 AM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

MONDAY 8.30am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba

TUESDAY 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale SATURDAY 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills OR By Appointment call: 3820 0100

> **Eucharistic Adoration** First Friday of the month (10.00am to 11.00am) at St Mary Mackillop Church BIRKDALE

Scripture Readings PENTECOST SUNDAY First Reading: Acts 2:1-11 Psalm: 103:1-24, 29-31, 34 Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

We pray for all those who are sick:

especially, Minoly Perera, Leo Berge, Shona Kwock-Sun, Julie Vincent, Matthew Scott and Bernadette Gick.

Friday 10:00 am Divine Mercy at St Mary MacKillop. Gospel: Jn 20:19-23 We thank God for the gift of life. We

Wednesday

wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their Birthdays in the month of MAY

4:00pm Rosary at St Anthony's.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

Archdiocese of Brisbane acknowledges the Traditional C the country upon which the Archdiocese lies and recogr their continuing connection to land, waters and culture

The Archdiocese pays respects to their Elders past, present and

Parish Prayer Groups

Monday 1:00pm Rosary at St Mary MacKillop.

3:30pm Prayer of Two Hearts at St Anthony's.

Friday 9:00am Rosary at St Mary MacKillop.

Tuesday 11:30am Rosary at St Luke's.

11:00am Rosary at St. Mary MacKillop.

We remember and pray for all the departed beloved ones especially, Helen Anderson, Christopher Lees, Maria Harris, Kelvin Christensen, Robin Duncan, and Joshua Rhoades. To add the name to the list, Please contact Parish Office. Email: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

Support Your Parish

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.



"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

BIGGEST MORNING TEA - Wednesday 31st May 10:00am in the parish hall at St Anthony's. Entry \$15 (children free) All Welcome! There will be a delicious morning tea, lots of giveaways, bargains on the plant and gift stall, multi draw raffle and more! Please RSVP Sunday 28th May to Trish 0438 863 296 or Margaret 0412 161 924

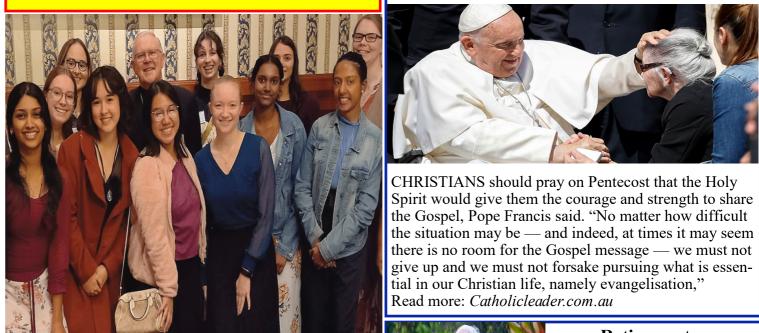
Knitting Yarn Needed: The Ladies Group is again seeking donations of yarn (preferably 8ply) which will be knitted and crocheted into knee rugs to be gifted to residents of hospitals and nursing homes. Any donations will be gratefully received and can be left in either church or Parish office. Thank you for your support.

First Holy Communion

We wish all the blessings to the Children and families preparing to receive the Holy Communion for the first time. We support them with our presence and prayers.



From this Sunday of Pentecost, Our Cost: Course is free Churches will resume Parish the RSVP: Wednesday 24th May distribution of Holy Communion in Both Find out more and register here: tinyurl.com/mcmay23 Species (Bread and wine). Please follow the guidelines of the volunteers. Pray at Pentecost for courage to evangelise, pope says





for WOMEN 1 JUNE

Please contact Parish office for more details



PARISH HALL HIRE

Did you know you can privately hire the St. Anthony's Church Hall for special functions and events?

For more information please contact the Parish office: Email: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

The Marriage Course

Time: 7:30pm-9pm, Date: Wednesday nights beginning 31st May2023 (for seven weeks with a break over school holidays, finishing on 26th July) Where: Zoom (link will be shared after registration)



Retirement:

Toowoomba Bishop Robert McGuckin has led Toowoomba diocese for the last 11 years. Bishop McGuckin was also celebrating his golden jubilee this year -50 years as a priest. His ministry was all about 'answering the call".