

#### **RCIA**

Our Parish will commence the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) in the first week of November To enrol, to learn more about Catholic Faith and to join the faith, please contact the Parish Office

Phone: 3820 0100,

Email: alehillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

#### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION & PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT

...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14

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. This means that everyone in the church must ensure that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocese of Brisbane Code of Ethical Behaviour for employees and volunteers who work in service of the Church as well as adherence to the legislative imperatives of the State.



Our friendly staff will be happy to assist you and your

family with their pre-planning or funeral needs.

\*Burials \*Cremations \*Repatriations

\*Not for Profit \*Pre-arrangements

Telephone: 07 3293 0555

www.holycrossfunerals.com

#### Parish Hall Rental

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

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

#### **Guided Men's Retreat**

'Awake, Attentive, Called'.

The weekend-long retreat will provide opportunities for personal prayer, reflection and faith sharing.

Dates: 6:00pm Friday 24 November to 12:00pm Sunday 26 November 2023

Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (267 Wellington Street, Ormiston)

RSVP: Monday 20 November 2023,

register online at tinyurl.com/guidedmensretreat202

#### **Advertise your business in the Parish Newsletter**

Holy Cross

12 months coverage on printed newsletter, emailed to parishioners and on the parish website. Contact the Parish Office for more information. Ph: 3820 0100 or email alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au





#### Are you New to the Parish?

If you are new to the Parish, please fill this form and drop it in the collection Plate 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 and also send you our weekly newsletter.

NAME:_	

PHONE:	EMAIL:



## 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**

#### 29 October 2023

#### **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

St Luke's Church

45 Degen Road, Capalaba Q 4157

#### **Parish Office**

#### **Office Hours**

**Contact through Email or Phone** (07) 3820 0100 alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

#### **Parish Personnel**

Fr Regimon Gervasis MCBS **Parish Administrator** gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au

> Fr. Prem Kumar **Associate Pastor**

**Kathy Metzen** Workplace Health & Safety

**Inez Barry Safeguarding Officer** lsr.alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

#### Education

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School Phone: 3820 1200 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 Email: pcapalaba@bne.catholic.edu.au St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre Phone: 3245 3300 Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba

Jesus had answers for every question that was raised to him, which always had a challenging call, to give space in life for God and neighbour. We may think that to

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

love God is easy, but the true love of God is reflected through the love of the other. The message of the Gospel is loud and clear: Love is the greatest of all commandments and loving

fellow human beings is as important as loving God.

All the commandments of the Scripture are based on the two aspects, namely loving God with one's whole heart, whole soul, whole mind, and whole strength and loving one's neighbour as one's own self. Love of God and love of the neighbour are two sides of the same coin, not two different kinds of love. They complement each other. Absence of the love of the neighbour means absence of the love of God too.

For some people, their search for God is limited to theoretical knowledge. But only the experiential knowledge, gained through loving service of care and concern can lead us to the true knowledge of God. It is the only way to reach God who is beyond our intellectual grasp. Love of the neighbour is the characteristic mark of Christian spirituality, that determines the identity as authentic Christians.

It may be easy for us to say "we pray to God and we love God", But is it reflected in our thoughts, words and actions? The 'neighbour' may be a person who do not believe what we believe. A person of different faith, creed and colour, holds a different political view or with a different sexual orientation. They are the neighbours; we are called to love, as we love God.

The constant temptation to separate the love of God from the love of the neighbour has done great harm to peace and harmony in the world. The call is to be tolerant towards others, growing in mercy and compassion. Jesus loved everyone even though He questioned some of their attitudes and actions. When we really love a person, we love with the good intention and looking forward to the total wellbeing of that person. It doesn't mean we support everything the other person believes or does, but we love those individuals as God's children.

Religious faith should liberate human minds. Jesus offers us in his teaching of love true freedom of the children of God. He offers us the courage to break the moulds of our fixed concepts in which we limit the infinite love of God.

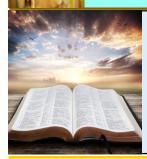
We are invited to live more profoundly the love given to us in Christ Jesus. We are invited to show that love for all people and especially to those who are with a different opinion. Let us be true believers who can be channels of God's infinite peace and love. Lord's Blessings, Fr Regi

MAS	STIMES	30 OCTOBER - 5 NOVEMBER 2023
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
TUESDAY	6:00PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
WEDNESDAY	5.00 PM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
THURSDAY	9.00 AM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE (for this week only)
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**

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time** First Reading: Exo 22:20-26 Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51 Second Reading: 1 Thess 1:5-10 Gospel: Mt 22:34-40

#### We pray for all those who are sick:

especially, Denis Bowman, Helen Meade, Julie Vincent, Matthew Scott and Bernadette Gick.

#### **Anointing Mass**

We will have the special Anointing Mass on the Second Friday of every Month. Next celebration will be at 9.30 am, on Friday, 10th November 2023, at St Mary Mackillop Church, Birkdale.



The Archdiocese pays respects to their Elders past, present and

#### **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. Friday 10:00 am Divine Mercy at St Mary MacKillop.

We remember and pray for all the departed beloved ones especially, Alan Lowndes, John Plettell, John Dimech, Grazio Vella (anniversary), Antonino Di Raimondo, Zita Cilvanas, Gisela Kostic, Michael Nolan, Len Murphy, Shona Kwock-Sun, Trish Rooney, Menuli Perera.

To add the name of your beloved departed to the list, Please 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.



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Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) 2023

#### **PENANCE** (Reconciliation):

For Children who received Holy Communion in 2022 or before. **Date of Reconciliation** 

THURSDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023 @ 6pm

The month of October is dedicated as the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed before each Parish Mass during the month of October, commencing 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass.

ALL SOULS DAY

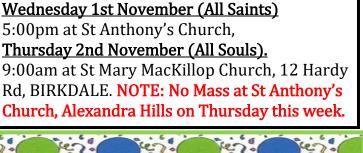


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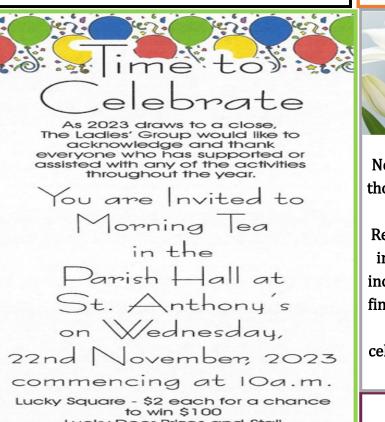
Ministries Expo for new volunteers. Details of ministries and training requirements and warm welcome.

St. Anthony's Church on the Weekend of 4th/5th November at 4.30pm and 9am Masses and at 7am at St. Luke's (to be confirmed).

Representatives will be available to chat to you and offer advice and encouragement.



Masses for All Saints and All Souls Day



Lucky Door Prizes and Stall Everyone (including children) welcome Please R.S.V.P. for catering purposes by 19th November

Trish Purcell 0438 863 296 or Margaret Kostowski 0412 161 924



November is the month in which we commemorate those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. During November, the Book of Remembrance will be placed in the Church. You are invited to write the names of those you wish to be included in the Book of Remembrance. You will also find November Mass Offering envelopes to complete if you would like a commemoration Mass to be celebrated. Completed envelopes with offerings can be placed on the collection plates.

> **Next Ladies Group Meeting is Wednesday** 1st November from 9am in the parish hall. Planning for Thank You Morning Tea. All welcome.

Please bring a plate for a shared morning tea.



Our Parish is looking for more volunteers to assist as:- Sacristans, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Power point Operators, Greeters, Tea/Coffee—hospitality, Counters, and Children's Liturgy, Volunteers etc. If you are interested in participating, please meet the Priest or Sacristans after the Mass or Contact the Parish Office: 3820 0100