



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba

Weekly Newsletter - 22 March 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year A

Visit us at www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au to find out more about our parish

Sunday Scripture Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading

1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7,
10-13

Psalm

22

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel

John 9: 1-41



Our Churches

Alexandra Hills

St Anthony's Catholic
Church
St Anthony Drive
Alexandra Hills QLD 4161

Capalaba

St Luke's Catholic Church
45 Degen Road
Capalaba QLD 4157



NOTICE TO ALL PARISIONERS REGARDING COVID-19

- The Churches in our Parish, St Anthony's & St. Luke's will NOT celebrate weekend Masses i.e. 2x Vigil Masses and 2x Sunday Morning Masses until further notice.
- All Parishioners are dispensed from their Sunday Obligation at this time.
- Weekday Masses/Liturgies will be celebrated as normal, with current restrictions & precautions in place, provided numbers remain less than 100.
- Parish Committees/Councils/Teams & Social Groups may continue to meet provided, current restrictions re Social Distancing apply.
- The Church at St Anthony's will be open for Private Prayer, during Parish Office opening hours (9am-4pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday)
- Individual Reconciliation is available by appointment with Fr Emmanuel, on his return.

This information will be continuously updated, and will be available on our Website - www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au

Archbishop Mark Coleridge's Prayer in this Time of Crisis

Almighty and all-merciful God,
lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,
in whom there is no shadow of death,
save us in this time of crisis;
grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;
watch over all medical people
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.
By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,
that hope may never die
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,
may shine upon us and the whole world.
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

**PROJECT
COMPASSION**
GO FURTHER TOGETHER



Thirty-two-year-old Sakun lives in a village in central east India. She developed polio as a child and has difficulty walking. After joining a Caritas Australia-funded program, Sakun has learned new skills and gained important mobility. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help uplift vulnerable communities and support the rights of indigenous peoples around the world.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or by phoning 1800 024 413.

St Anthony's Kindergarten

2020 Kindergarten positions currently available.

Please contact the Kindergarten if you are interested.

Expressions of interests open for the 2021 Kindergarten year.

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Have you given us a copy of your Blue Card yet?

Please provide the Parish Office with a **copy of your Blue Card** once you've received it.

Thank you so much.



Reach Beyond: Become Simply Rich

All trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. They're not asking for money or gifts that contribute to degrading dependence. Your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms Australia will provide you with thorough preparation and support. You will be rewarded with riches greater than you might imagine. Look at www.palms.org.au and talk to Roger on 0422472567, or email palms@palms.org.au



Aid to the Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA

Easter Cards are now available for purchase from *Aid to the Church in Need*. Each packet contains 12 Easter cards and envelopes. **Cost:** First packet \$23 (includes postage). Extra packets \$15 each. The Easter cards feature the religious paintings of Swiss artist, Bradi Barth and include a bible verse inside. Proceeds raised go toward ACN projects that support the Church where she is unable to support herself. Order over the phone: **1800 101 201** or online: www.aidtochurch.org.



St Luke's Childcare Centre

51 Degen Road, Capalaba has limited vacancies across all groups. Please phone 3245 3300 to make enquiries.



Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy

Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all or our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

Are you New to Our Parish

If you are new to the Parish, please fill out your details in the Welcome Book at the back of each church. The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to invite you to our "Newcomer's" Welcome Night. We'd love to know you've joined us!



Keeping faith with you **In this week's issue**

- Brisbane Emeritus Archbishop John Bathersby was laid to rest at St Stephen's Cathedral, remembered as a good and faithful servant of Jesus Christ.
- Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak continues to worsen and Prime Minister Scott Morrison announces wide-scale bans on mass gatherings.
- Catholic network says government must support charity sector in coronavirus pandemic plans.
- Australia's High Court reserves its decision on the fate of Cardinal George Pell in his last bid at appeal over historical sexual abuse.



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STOPline is an external service that receives confidential information about suspected abuse, misconduct and policy breaches within the Archdiocese of Brisbane, Brisbane Catholic Education and Centacare Brisbane. Information can be shared anonymously.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

Fifth Sunday in Lent

First Reading

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Psalms

129

Second Reading

Romans 8:8-11

Gospel

John 11:1-45

Weekly Offerings and Mass Attendance

Offerings for the Week Ended 15th March 2020

Mass offerings **\$2048.70** (Envelopes, Loose coin, Direct Debits and Credit Cards)

Should you wish to set up a direct debit in place of your envelope offering, please contact the Parish Office for a direct debit form. Direct debits can be made from either your savings account or credit card.

Mass Attendance for the Week Ended 15th March 2020

St Anthony's 4.30pm - 76

St Anthony's 9am - 113

St Luke's 6pm - 31

St Luke's 7am - 45

18% of your offerings go to the Archdiocese and the rest are used for paying Parish Staff, utility bills, insurance, parish administration costs, building maintenance, charities, updating office and church equipment, newsletters and other publications and maintaining parish ministries among other things. God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for...

Please take a moment to pray for:

Simone Brookbank, Neville Brown, Lachlan Campbell, Raymond Cash, Emma Casonati, Denis Hannan, Kevin Hardy, Dom Jones, Tricia Kennedy, Antonina Letizia, Oliver Loveday, Jane Martin, Helen Reed, John Rhule Snr, Trish Rooney, Mary Ryan, Loraine Steele, Maggie Stewart, Eddie Strachan and Samuel Tyler, along with all those in our community who are ill, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend all the recently deceased, especially Edna Millar, Robbyn Prenzler and Adela Richardson to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Sheila Lee and Colin Nash.

If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the parish newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100.

Note: All names for prayers will remain in the newsletter for one month. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of each church.



Newsletter available via Email!

Why not contact the Parish Office today and ask to be added to our emailing list to ensure you receive a copy each week.

You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our website
www.stanthonyandstluke.org.au

Working Bees at St Luke's

At this stage, the working bee at St Luke's on Sunday 5th April will still go ahead as planned. Updates will be provided as necessary.

Reconciliation Activity Days

CANCELLED until further notice

LITTLE SAINTS Playgroup

CANCELLED until further notice

Ladies Group

CANCELLED until further notice

Plenary Council Parish Discussion Group Meeting 26th March 2020

The last session to discuss the Parish response to the fifth Major National Theme identified by the Plenary Council will be held in St. Anthony's Church on Thursday 26th March 2020 at 7pm. The topic for the meeting will be "Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform" as advised by the National Steering Group. We are all encouraged to attend and participate to give our voice, our support and/or concerns to this once in a lifetime process which will inform the future direction of our Church in Australia. We look forward to seeing you there.

Social Justice

There is a great deal of activity happening with **Redlands 4 Refugees** - for information, go to <http://redlands4refugees.blogspot.com/>

For full coverage of "United Nations 2020 World Social Justice Day" by Sr Veronica Lawson RSM, visit Mercy Enews. <https://www.mercyworld.org/newsroom/enews/>

Rosters for St Anthony's

The Rosters for St Anthony's are now ready for collection at the door of the church. Should you have any questions with regards to St Anthony's Rosters, please contact Trish Purcell or Jackie Hardy.

Key Audit

As we have not done a key audit in a long time and a number of parishioners have moves to other parishes, we are in urgent need of updating our registers. Therefore ANY Parishioner who has a key to either church, please ensure your name and current key or keys that you have are registered with the parish office.

Easter Ceremonies - Would you like to Be involved?

Over the Holy Week, there are a number of opportunities for anyone who would like to be involved. We need people for the following Masses:

Palm Sunday: procession at each Church (especially singers and musicians, together with reading parts of the Gospel.

Holy Thursday at St Luke's – would you like to be involved in "Washing of the Feet"?

Good Friday: Participation at St Anthony's in reading of the Gospel (Passion)

Easter Vigil: to assist with Readings and lighting of candles, and Ushers.

Easter Sunday: Crowd Greeting and Ushers, Set up and put away of extra chairs

If you're interested in assisting, please contact Margaret at the Parish Office on 3820 0100.

National Day of Prayer & Fasting

Church Leaders calling for a National Day of Prayer and Fasting on Sunday 29th March

Perhaps you would like to pray for 19 minutes per day for trust in the Lord and renewal of faith in people's hearts

A Stewardship Moment March 22, 2020

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7)

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure here on earth.

(Accessed on 16th March 2020 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)



PARISH OFFICE

The Office is in the demountable Behind St Anthony's Church St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm

Website

stanthonyandstluke.org.au

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3820 0100

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PARISH MASS TIMES

WEEKEND

St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills

Saturday 4.30pm

Sunday 9.00am

St Luke's Church, Capalaba

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 7.00am

WEEKDAY

Monday

5.00pm St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

Tuesday

9.00am St Luke's Capalaba

Wednesday

9.00am St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

Friday

9.00am St Luke's Capalaba

WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter for these)

Wednesday

2.15pm St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

Friday

9.00am St Luke's Capalaba

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturday

St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

4.00pm - 4.30pm

Or by appointment

ADORATION

First Friday of the Month

St Anthony's Alexandra Hills

6.00pm - 7.00pm

EDUCATION

Alexandra Hills - St Anthony Drive

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

3820 1200

St Anthony's Kindergarten

3824 5061

Capalaba - Degen Road

St Luke's Catholic Primary School

3245 9595

St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre

3245 3300

The Week at a Glance

MONDAY	23 March	5.00pm	Liturgy of the Word - St Anthony's
TUESDAY	24 March		ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED
WEDNESDAY	25 March		ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED
THURSDAY	26 March	7.00pm	Plenary Council Meeting - St Anthony's
FRIDAY	27 March		ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED
SATURDAY	28 March	4.30 pm 6.00 pm	ALL WEEKEND MASSES ARE CANCELLED
SUNDAY	29 March	7.00 am 9.00 am	ALL WEEKEND MASSES ARE CANCELLED

Notice to All Parishioners

Please be advised that due to precautionary measures, the following Parish Activities will be CANCELLED until further notice:

Little Saints Playgroup - St Anthony's
Christian Meditation - St Luke's Church
Parish Leadership Day - St Martin's Carina
Communion to the Sick - All Nursing Homes
Working Bee - St Anthony's

We will continue to update this list on a weekly basis and as more information comes to hand from the Archdiocese.

Watch Mass Live

Follow these instructions to watch Masses from St Stephen's Cathedral. The weekday Mass will be streamed live at 12:30PM and the Sunday 10AM Mass will be live streamed

1. Turn on your device - make sure your computer, iPad / tablet or smart phone is connected to the internet.
2. Open your internet browser - Google Chrome, Safari, Internet Explorer, Firefox, or whatever you usually use to surf the web.
3. Go to our website: archbne.org/bzw
4. Watch mass live - click the play button on the video on this page

A Message from Fr Emmanuel

Please be advised that Fr Emmanuel returned to Australia on Friday 13th March and even though he returned prior to the government directive to self-isolate he has decided to do so of his own accord in the interests of all his parishioners. Everything going well, he will return to masses as of Saturday 28th March. Fr Emmanuel has requested that everyone keep him in their prayers and he looks forward to meeting you in a week's time.

The faithful are encouraged to pray Rosary, intercessory prayers and personal prayers at homes.

Fr Emmanuel will be celebrating Holy Mass for the parishioners everyday whilst he is in isolation. If you have any special Mass intentions let the parish office know.

In case of any spiritual emergencies please contact the parish office.

Our Parish Team

Fr Emmanuel Ayankudy CMI - Parish Priest
Margaret McFerran - Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator
Amanda Mase - Parish Office Administrator