



St Anthony & St Luke's Catholic Parish

Alexandra Hills and Capalaba, Newsletter 23rd January 2022

Mission Statement

"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."

**Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time Year C**

First Reading

Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Psalm

18:8-10

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21



Parish Office

Behind St Anthony's Church
St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills

Office Hours

Saturday, Sunday & Monday - CLOSED

Tuesday and Friday

9am to 2pm

Wednesday and Thursday

9am to 3pm

Parish Office Phone:

3820 0100

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Safeguarding

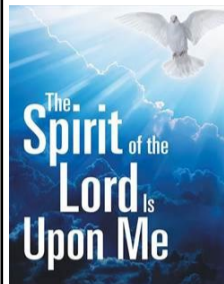
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A thought for each of you!

Jesus was sent...as His followers so are we!



*Our Baptism is an active everyday sacrament lived out in our daily lives!
As we begin a new year, it is time to reflect on doing
what Jesus asks of us.*

As in our families at home, we normally would have responsibilities and jobs to do for the family home to function. We would also try and look after our most vulnerable and pick up the load when needed.

Our parish family is no different!

We ask you all this weekend, what is the ONE thing you could do to grow and care for each other in our spiritual family. Imagine if everyone committed to one thing our rosters would be full to overflowing. We are preparing more information on areas that need your assistance but look forward to your ideas.

Everyone can do something:

We need intercessory prayers at home ... gardens maintained, churches cleaned...to all the way through to Liturgical Ministry and the toughest of jobs that younger more fit people can do. This is how families work!

Let's be "Guided by the Holy Spirit, " as Jesus and our mission calls to be an inclusive Eucharistic People who will live out our Baptismal call as disciples of Jesus Christ." As a member of our Parish what Do you suggest?

Scripture Reflection



'Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life'

*We are not alone as we pray as we belong to a living,
transforming community of believers united by our baptism.*

On this 'Sunday of the Word of God', we are invited to deepen our relationship with the Lord through our devotion and dedication to reading and praying with scripture. In each reading, we hear how the Spirit of the Lord revives, liberates, sustains, unites and gives life.

The law of the Lord is read out by Ezra (**First Reading**), and the people are taught to celebrate it. The joy of the Lord is their stronghold. The **Psalm** celebrates God's law of love: each line is a litany of the comfort, joy and strength that can be drawn from the Word of God.

Paul teaches that although the Christian community is diverse, with different strengths and perspectives, we are all united in the Spirit of the Lord through our baptism (**Second Reading**). Jesus, filled with the spirit of the Lord, reads from the word of God and proclaims that Isaiah's prophecy is embodied and fulfilled in him (**Gospel**). Jesus liberates, heals, transforms and brings good news.

As followers of Jesus who are united by the living Spirit of God, this is our calling too. With our lives centred on Scripture, the living word of God, we are not alone as we pray. We belong to a living, transforming community of believers united by our baptism. We share the same joy expressed by the psalmist, and are guided by the word of God that the prophets proclaimed. Let us pray that our lives will be a testament to the liberating, healing teachings that Jesus embodied.

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Safeguarding Officer Volunteer NEEDED

We are currently in need of a Volunteer to become our Safeguarding Officer as soon as possible. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

Purpose

To promote a culture of safeguarding within the Archdiocese and reduce the risks of abuse and harm.

Scope

This policy applies to all parishes, ministries, and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Brisbane and to Associations of Christ's Faithful or Public Juridic Persons which freely opt in to its application and which enter into an agreement with the Archdiocese accordingly. The policy applies to all Archdiocesan workers (including clergy, religious, employees and volunteers).

Safeguarding Principles

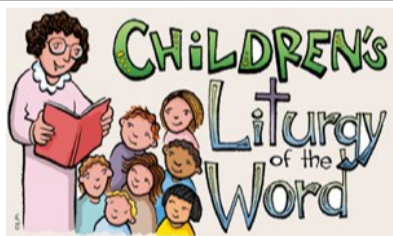
- Safeguarding is a shared responsibility.
- Treat everyone with dignity and respect.
- Prioritise the protection and best interests of children and adults-at-risk.
- Provide safe physical and online environments.
- Actively identify and manage safeguarding and abuse risks.
- Monitor compliance with safeguarding standards, policies, and procedures.
- Respond promptly and effectively to abuse concerns, suspicions, disclosures, complaints, reports, and incidents.
- Comply with all legal obligations to report suspected abuse and harm.

Baptism for Older Children



We are aware that many parents haven't had the opportunity to Baptise their children as infants. To this end, we are offering Baptism for older children in Primary School. Please email Trish for an application form pa.alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

Children's Liturgy of the Word



As mentioned on Page 2, it is critical to maintain our social distancing for a safe and healthy environment. Therefore, we will suspend Children's Liturgy of the Word for Term 1. In Hope, we will need willing Leaders to continue in Term 2.

Baptisms for Infants: Parents Preparation



All parents who wish to have their infants/toddlers Baptised, are requested to come to a preparation session on the third Tuesday evening of the month at 7.00 pm in St Anthony's Church, 1 St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills.

All information regarding your child's Baptism will be discussed. Please check you can attend one of the sessions prior to booking a date for Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated in St Anthony's Church at 10.30 am on the 1st Sunday of each month & at St Luke's Church at 10.30 am on the 3rd Sunday of the month.



CARE FOR KIDS
Kids will be **RESPECTED AND PROTECTED**

It is never OK for someone to hurt you.

We want you to feel safe.

We want you to be safe.

We will always listen to you.

We will help you with your problems.

“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. “



Are you New to Our Parish

If you are new to the Parish, please give us your details by email or phone on 3820 0100. The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.

Once we are back to normal, we look forward to welcoming you at our Newcomers Welcome Night.



Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C

First Reading
Jeremiah 1:4-5,
17-19

Psalm
70:1-6, 15, 17

Second Reading
1 Corinthians
12:31 - 13:13

Gospel
Luke 4:21-30

Weekly Offerings

Dear Parishioners, thank you for supporting the parish.

- Please try the new Parish Giving Portal located on our Website or via link below.
<https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/auth/login>
- Please continue to use the Direct Debit, Direct Deposit or envelopes at the collection box during mass. You can bring offerings directly to the Parish office.

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.

Should you wish to make a one off donation to our parish, our bank account details are as follows:



Planned Giving

BSB: 064786

Account Number: 100017590

Account Name: Alexandra Hills Capalaba Parish Planned Giving.

(Giving App, Direct Debits and Credit Cards)

God bless you and thank you for your generosity

Aid to the Church

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

As we begin a new year we ask for your support to help the Suffering Church.

Your offering allows ACN to aid our suffering brothers and sisters to keep the faith alive in countries that are becoming increasingly harder to practice the faith.

Please visit:

www.aidtochurch.org

Best wishes and prayers

To all the members of our Parish Community who are celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries in this Month of January. Congratulations!!!



LOURDES HILL COLLEGE
A School of Good Samaritan Education

Year 7, 2025
Enrolments close
Friday 28 January

lhc.qld.edu.au



Vocation Brisbane

As A VOCATION VIEW: The word of God becomes the flesh of God when YOU live it in your life.
Believe what you read; live what you believe. Be another Christ.
To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane on 1300 133 544 or vocation@bne.catholic.net.au - vocationbrisbane.com



Please pray for...



Bob Kohlman, Ronald Thorne, Gisela Kostic (Sylvia's Mum), Joan Balcombe Meghan Chircop, Rishani Wickramasuriya, Julie Vincent, Rishani Wickramasuriya, Denis Bowman,

Joe Andrews, Christine Hahes, Chris Dennis, Gerry Stack, Kerry Ann See, Mary Ford, Max Veal, Kerry Balcombe, Anthony [Tony] Conner, Des Stapleton, Margaret Hobbs, Norma Adams, Peter Maciejewski, Ailsa Jensen, Sharon MacKenzie, Luis & Sonia Mendez, Alfredo & Jennifer Mendez 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 those who have recently died, to the loving embrace of God.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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.

To request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions please contact the Parish Office.

A Stewardship Moment



January 23, 2022
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..."

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy!


However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need.

Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

(Accessed on January 17, 2022 from <https://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections>)

Newsletter available via Email!

Contact the Parish Office on 3820 0100 or alexhillscap@bne.catholicnet.au
You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our [Website](http://www.alexhillscap.com.au) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/alexhillscap)

Parish Details	Week at a glance		
<p>Alexandra Hills St Anthony's Catholic Church St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills Q 4161</p> <p>Capalaba St Luke's Catholic Church 45 Degen Road, Capalaba Q 4157 https://stanthonyandstluke.org.au/</p> 	MONDAY	24 January	Parish Office Closed
	TUESDAY	25 January	9:00am 11:30am Mass - St Luke's Rosary - St Luke's
	WEDNESDAY	26 January	9:00am Parish Office Closed - Australia Day Mass - St Anthony's
	THURSDAY	27 January	4:30pm Rosary followed by Anointing Mass - St Anthony's
	FRIDAY	28 January	9:00am Mass - St Luke's
Parish Mass Times			
WEEKEND			
<p>St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills Saturday 4.30pm Sunday 9.00am</p> <p>St Luke's Church, Capalaba Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 7.00am</p>			
WEEKDAY			
<p>Monday NO MASS Tuesday 9:00am St Luke's Wednesday 9:00am St Anthony's Thursday 4:30pm Rosary followed by Mass St Anthony's Friday 9:00am St Luke's</p> <p>WEEKDAY - School Masses (Refer to Weekly Newsletter)</p>			
SATURDAY		29 January	4:30pm 6:00pm Mass - St Anthony's Mass - St Luke's
SUNDAY		30 January	7:00am 9:00am Mass - St Anthony's Mass - St Luke's

Reconciliation

Saturday
St Anthony's Alexandra Hills
4:00pm - 4:30pm **Or by appointment**

Anointing Mass

Fourth Thursday of every 2nd month
St Anthony's Church. At 5:00pm

Adoration

First Wednesday of the month
St Anthony's Church at 7:45am

Education

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School
Phone: 3820 1200
Address: St Anthony's Drive,
Alexandra Hills
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
Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba
Email: pcapalaba@bne.catholic.edu.au

St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre
Phone: 3245 3300
Address: 45 Degen Road, Capalaba

CICCA [Christian Initiation of Children of Catechetical Age.]
Otherwise known as the Sacrament Program.
The Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist.



THIS IS AN URGENT MESSAGE
Please share this with family and friends.
Due to the children's change in school days and social distance I will need to set up another Sacraments Preparation schedule for 2022.

ALL DATES AND EVENTS FOR CICCA WILL NEED TO BE RESCHEDULED.

Please ignore all information given prior to Christmas.


No dates will be set in cement. Therefore communication is paramount especially for the school parents.

May the Holy Spirit guide and direct us through our journey.

Thank you and blessings

Trish. Pastoral Associate.

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.

STOPline

STOPline receives information about abuse, harm and other serious misconduct by Archdiocesan workers (including priests, religious, employees and volunteers).

Information can be provided anonymously.

Phone: 1800 304 350
Email: act@bne.catholic.edu.au
Online Report: www.bne.catholic.stoplinereport.com

If you think it's wrong report it.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.