



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

RCIA

Our Parish will begin the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programme very soon. To enrol, to learn more about Catholic Faith and to join the faith, please contact the Parish office: Phone: 3820 0100, Email: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au



catholic mission Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/timor

In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale.

This work simply will not be possible without your support. We hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.



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This year's Multicultural Mass will be held on Sunday 24th September, presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese.

2:30pm, Sunday 24th September 2023 at Cathedral of St Stephen (249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane City)

RSVP: app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM23

Mass will be followed by cultural performances and refreshments in the cathedral grounds.

Parishioners from any and all cultural backgrounds are encouraged to attend to celebrate the richness of Brisbane's diverse Archdiocese.

Advertise your business in the Parish Newsletter

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

St Anthony's Church St Anthony Drive, Alexandra Hills Q 4161 & St Luke's Church 45 Degen Road, Capalaba Q 4157

17 September 2023

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

Lord, How Often Shall I Forgive My Brother?

Does mercy overlook justice? Justice demands that everyone be given their due. So when is it right to show mercy and pardon to those who have acted unjustly or wrongly? The prophet Amos speaks of God forgiving transgression three times, but warns that God may not revoke punishment for the fourth (see Amos 1:3-13; 2:1-6). When Peter posed the question of forgiveness, he characteristically offered an answer he thought Jesus would be pleased with. Why not forgive seven times! How unthinkable for Jesus to counter with the proposition that one must forgive seventy times that.



No limit to granting forgiveness and pardon

Jesus makes it clear that there is no limit to giving and receiving forgiveness. He drove the lesson home with a parable about two very different kinds of debts. The first man owed an enormous sum of money - millions in our currency. In Jesus' time this amount was greater than the total revenue of a province - more than it would cost to ransom a king! The man who was forgiven such an incredible debt could not, however, bring himself to forgive his neighbour a very small debt which was about one-hundred-thousandth of his own debt. The contrast could not have been greater!

Forgiving others is a sacred duty

If God has shown mercy to us in granting us pardon for our sins, then we, in turn, must show mercy and forgiveness towards every person who has offended us. The willingness to forgive those who offend us is a sacred duty. If we expect God to pardon us and show us his mercy when we sin and disobey his commandments, then we must be willing to let go of any resentment, grievance, or ill-will we feel towards our neighbour. Jesus teaches us to pray daily for the grace and strength to forgive others in the same measure in which God has forgiven us (Matthew 6:12,14-15). If we do not show mercy and forgiveness to our fellow human beings, how can we expect God to forgive us in turn? The Apostle James says that "judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy" (James 2:13).

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you have been kind and for giving towards me. May I be merciful as you are merciful. Free me from all bitterness and resentment that I may truly forgive from the heart those who have caused me injury or grief. source: mobilegabriel.com

Parish Office

Office Hours

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

Parish Personnel

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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

| MASS TIMES 18 - 24 SEPTEMBER 2023 | | |
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| 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 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*

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, 13th October 2023,**
 at **St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale.**

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

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.

Scripture Readings
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Ezek 33:7-9
 Ps 62:2-6, 8-9
Second Reading: Rom 13:8-10
Gospel: Mt 18:15-20

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 pray for all those who are sick:
especially, Julie Vincent, Matthew Scott and Bernadette Gick.

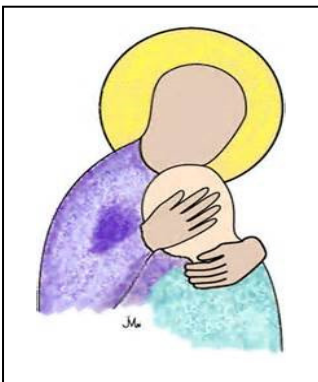
We remember and pray for all the departed beloved ones especially, Zita Cilvanas, Gisela Kostic, Michael Nolan, Len Murphy, Shona Kwock-Sun, Trish Rooney, Minuli Perera, Helen Anderson, Christopher Lees and Maria Harris.
To add the name of your beloved departed to the list, Please Email: alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au

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.



"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

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) 2023
PENANCE (Reconciliation):
For Children who received Holy Communion in 2022 or before.
Parent Information Night:
THURSDAY, 12th OCTOBER 2023 @ 7pm, St Anthony's Church
Date of Reconciliation
THURSDAY, 9th NOVEMBER 2023 @ 6pm



WORKING BEE
St Anthony's Church
Saturday 16th September from 7am.
 We are very grateful to the parishioners who continue to help with cleaning and maintenance of our church building, lawns and gardens. It is now time to top up and replant gardens, clean the louvres, and spring clean some of the areas that can't be cleaned on a regular basis. Please add your name and number to the list at the front of the church if you can help on the day and you will be contacted before 16th.

FOR SALE at the piety stall
 Homemade jam and marmalades.



Help the Ladies Group provide 150 male toiletry packs to Centacare each year, for clients being assisted to resettle into the community. Each pack will contain shampoo and conditioner, comb, razor, deodorant, soap, toothpaste and toothbrush. Your purchase of jams will help us to buy toiletries, or, you may wish to donate any of the above items. There is a collection box near the piety stall.
Motel toiletries can also be left in the collection box. These will be distributed at the St Vincent de Paul drop-in centre Spring Hill.
Ladies Toiletries can also be left, for inclusion in Care Packs gifted through our local St Vincent de Paul conference.
The Ladies Group thank you for your ongoing support.

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.



Spiritual Gifts Workshop
 Saturday 23rd September
 Saturday 30th September
 9am - 11.45am
 St Rita's Catholic Church
 37 Benfer Rd, Victoria Point
 The workshop includes worship, listening to the Holy Spirit and presentations from Catholic teaching on each of the gifts.
 To register, please contact Angela on 0407 674 373. Morning tea provided.

Pope's Prayer Intention
September 2023
For people living on the margins
 We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser

Parish Hall Rental
 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



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, etc. If you are interested in participating, please meet the Priest or Sacristans after the Mass or Contact the Parish Office: 3820 0100