



**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](mailto:alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Season of Creation Mass and Discussion**

Catholic Earthcare and the Catholic Justice and Peace Commission (CJPC), are hosting a Season of Creation with Mass at the Cathedral of St Stephen, presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Parishes and community groups are encouraged to bring a jar of water (river, sea or rainwater) from their area to add to an Archdiocesan urn that will be blessed and used to bless the congregation.

Mass is followed by a free workshop in the Hanly Room (in the Francis Rush Centre) from 7pm to 8pm. Please consider who could represent your parish at the Mass.

**Date:** Saturday, 9th September 2023  
**Time:** 6:00pm Mass followed by discussion event  
**Location:** Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth, Brisbane



**NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK  
3 - 9 September 2023**

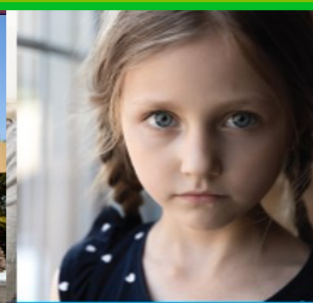


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**Advertise your business in the Parish Newsletter**

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](mailto: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](mailto:alexhillscap@bne.catholic.net.au) The Parish Office will then be in touch with you and also send you our weekly newsletter.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**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

**3 September 2023**

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Dear Parishioners and visitors,*

*As we celebrate Father's Day this Sunday, let us give thanks to God for all the dad's in our parish. The grandfathers, the uncles, the brothers and cousins, in fact, all those men who provide the love of a father to us. A father is the man who is just and gentle. A person who we feel makes us stronger in ourselves.*



**Parish Office**

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**St Luke's Catholic Primary School**  
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**St Luke's Catholic Child Care Centre**  
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Success and failures, another two realities in life. Everyone in their life enjoy the sweetness of their glorious days but also taste the bitterness of the dark moments. Peter was placed in charge of the Church by Christ. Everything seemed to be wonderful.

Jesus now predicts about the passion and death; he is to face for the salvation of humanity. Even though, at the end of the day, there was the glory of the resurrection, the disciples got stuck in the suffering part of Christ's life. They were not happy with what they never expected. Peter, as usual, was the first to respond, "this must not happen to you". "Get behind me Satan", was the reply he received from Jesus.

This Gospel passage comes immediately after last Sunday's Gospel when Jesus called Peter, "Blessed", for proclaiming that Jesus was the Christ. He told him that he was the rock upon which Jesus would build His Church. He told Peter, that Peter's decisions on earth, would have power in heaven.

How did Peter fall so quickly? He fell because he was reasoning things out the way people of the 'world' would reason. He was not thinking the way God thinks. He lacked real wisdom. The way of the 'world' would be, "Save your life. Don't let anyone kill you." The way of the Lord would be, "Make the sacrificial love of God real. Sacrifice yourself for others."

It is easy for us to think the way the 'world' thinks. Everything around us may tell us to take not give, to be concerned about ourselves first and others second, or third or fourth. Fit God in somewhere, if you care and that is the thought process of the 'world'.

We were joined to a 'new world' when we were baptized. Each of us is a key part of the new world, the Kingdom of God. There may be hundreds of people in each of our lives, who look to us to illuminate their darkness with the Light of Christ. The problem is that we can easily be enticed by all that is around us and easily reject all that is within us. And so, we often straddle major issues in life.

Even though we recognize our dignity as sons and daughters of God, we often let ourselves get involved in actions that are far less than holy. We think that we are OK, because we are firmly planted on the Lord's dock, but Jesus invites us to join him to carry the cross, so that all of us shall have the eternal joy and peace. let us choose God, denying the self.

*We pray and wish all the blessings to the Children who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this week.*

*Lord's Blessings, Fr Regi*



MASS TIMES 4 - 10 SEPTEMBER 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 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, 8th September 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**  
**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 First Reading: Jer 20:7-9  
 Ps 62:2-6, 8-9  
 Second Reading: Rom 12:1-2  
 Gospel: Mt 16:21-27

**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,** 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.  
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**CONFIRMATION 2023**  

 We wish all the blessings to the Children Preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish on, **THURSDAY, 7th September 2023.** May the Holy Spirit kindle in them the fire of God's love as they are getting ready to receive the gifts of the Spirit in a very special way.

  
 Parish Social—hosted by Ladies Group  
**All Welcome!!!!!!**  
**SING INTO SPRING**  
**Wednesday 6th September 10.00am**  
 in the Parish Hall at St Anthony's  
 Come along for a morning of fun and friendship and delicious food.  
 Allen McMonagle and his musical trio will entertain us and lead us in song.  
 Bring some \$\$ for the raffle and 'Home Made' Stall.  
 If transport is required, please contact Trish 0438863296 or Margaret 0412161924  
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**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.  
 

We thank God for the gift of life. We wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their Birthdays in the month of SEPTEMBER.  


**A Prayer for Fathers**  
 God our Father,  
 We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for our own fathers as they care for their families; Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience.  
 We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; May they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.  
 We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.  
 We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen

Anointing Mass will be celebrated at St Mary MacKillop Church, 12 Hardy Rd, Birkdale on **Friday 8th September.**  
 Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea following the Mass.  
 All Welcome

**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