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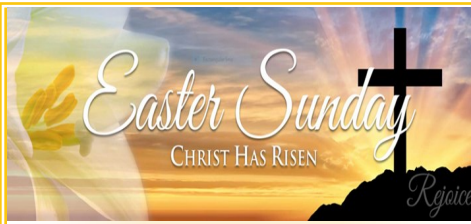
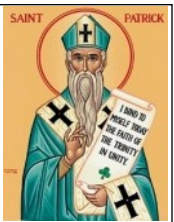
Diocese of Broken Bay

1st April 2018

Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year B

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7



**He has Risen and we Rejoice!
Alleluia, alleluia!**

We would like to wish all parishioners of ~ and visitors to ~ this wonderful parish, a most holy and joyful Easter.

As you celebrate together with family and friends may you experience the Holy Spirit in your words of kindness, the Son in your actions of compassion and the Father guiding your thoughts always.

**God's blessing be upon each of you.
Fr Shaju John & Fr Shiju Simon**

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5pm St Bernard's
6pm St Patrick's
Sunday 8am St Patrick's
9am St Bernard's
10am St Patrick's
6pm St Patrick's

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Bernard's 8am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
9am Wednesday,
9am Friday
First Friday-
St Bernard's 10.30am Adoration
11.00am Reconciliation
11.30am Healing Mass
St Patrick's 8am Wednesday and Friday
9am Monday, Tuesday, Thurs, Sat.

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 9.30 am at St Patrick's
Every Friday After 9am Mass at St Bernard's,
(except First Friday—see above)

Easter Vigil Mark 16:1-7

The women find that the stone from Jesus' tomb has been rolled back, and an angel reports that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

In today's Gospel, Mark reports the names of three women who go to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. They are Mary Magdalene, Salome, and Mary, the mother of James. According to Mark, these are the same women who were among those watching Jesus' Crucifixion from a distance. Mark reports that these women were followers of Jesus in Galilee and that they ministered to him. Mark also reports that Mary Magdalene and Mary observed where Jesus' body was laid. After his death, these women come again to minister to Jesus.

Mary Magdalene, Salome, and Mary, the mother of James, go to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. It is clear from Mark's report of their conversation that they had not worked out all the necessary details. They know that a very large stone was used to seal Jesus' tomb, but they do not know how they are going to remove it. When they arrive at the tomb, they find that the stone has already been rolled back. Upon entering the tomb, they meet an angel who tells them that Jesus has been raised from the dead. The angel then recalls Jesus' promise to his disciples that he would go before them to Galilee.

Amazement would seem to be a natural reaction to the experience that the women had that morning. Yet the angel chides them for being amazed. Perhaps the reason is found in the words that follow, as the angel reminds them that Jesus himself had told his disciples that he would see them again in Galilee. If the women had listened and heeded Jesus' words, they would not have been surprised to find the tomb empty. This highlights a theme of Mark's Gospel: the disciples of Jesus are often clueless about the true identity of Jesus and confounded by his message to them.

Nonetheless, we can find some hope for the disciples, just as there is hope for us when we find ourselves unsure about Jesus. The disciples in today's Gospel were faithful followers of Jesus and remained present through Jesus' death on the cross. In fact, they came to the tomb that morning expecting to minister to Jesus once again. Instead, they were sent to minister in a different way, as apostles to Peter and the other disciples. Because we hear this Gospel proclaimed today, we know that they honored Jesus by accepting this mission.



Easter Sunday

John 20:1-9

Mary of Magdala finds that the stone has been removed from Jesus' tomb.



Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit (Loyola Press)

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS
and PRAYERS**

**Easter Time Year B
Monday 2/04**

Monday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the Day, Gloria
Preface of Easter
Dismissal with Alleluia
Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the Day, Gloria
Preface of Easter
Dismissal with Alleluia
Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday

Wednesday within Octave of Easter
Mass of the Day, Gloria
Preface of Easter
Dismissal with Alleluia
Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday

Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the Day, Gloria
Preface of Easter
Dismissal with Alleluia
Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

Friday

Friday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the Day, Gloria
Preface of Easter
Dismissal with Alleluia
Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday

Saturday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the Day, Gloria
Preface of Easter
Dismissal with Alleluia
Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

**Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish
REMEMBERS and PRAYS for...**

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Pranchupillai Antonypillai,

ANNIVERSARIES:

Brian Fernandez

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Barbara Halliday, Jean Cook,
Morrie Ramsden, Betty Borg,
Frank McLenaghan, Edwina
Subramany, Aiko Concepcion,
John Messina, Brian Neary, Darcy
Green, Ellen Asistente, Alfredo De
Ramos, Marcelina De Ramos,
Patricia Pascuzzo, Sam Calacoci,
Matthew Conlon, Ivy Daria, John
Buckley, Kath Lock, Narelle
Cartwright, Arlene Josen, Dn Jim
Caulfield, Mary Fernandes, John
Macy, Maciej Maciejewski,
Matthew Sutton, Barbara Jones,
Patricia Sanders, Cadia Maestri,
Monique Leyden, Robert Conlon,
Patrick Dorahy, Alfredo De Ramos
Sr, Barbara & Frederick Novak,
Tom & Moya.

THANKSGIVING: 'Hanna'



An Easter Prayer from Pope Francis

Dear brothers and sisters,

Christ died and rose once for all, and for everyone, but the power of the Resurrection, this Passover from slavery to evil to the freedom of goodness, must be accomplished in every age, in our concrete existence, in our everyday lives. How many deserts, even today, do human beings need to cross! Above all the desert within, when we have no love for God or neighbour, when we fail to realise that we are guardians of all that the Creator has given us and continues to give to us. God's mercy can restore life to dry bones (cf. Ez 37:1-14)

So this is the invitation which I address to everyone: Let us accept the grace of Christ's Resurrection! Let us be renewed by God's mercy, let us be loved by Jesus, let us enable the power of his love to transform our lives too; and let us become agents of his mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish.

And so we ask the risen Jesus, who turns death into life, to change hatred into love, vengeance into forgiveness, war into peace. Yes, Christ is our peace, and through him we implore peace for all the world.

Pope Francis 31 March 2013 (Lectio Divina, Praying the Scriptures in Lent, Year B 2018)

"On Easter Sunday we see the response of the Father to the self giving of Jesus. Jesus is raised to sit at the right hand of the Father. The Word who was made flesh has returned to his rightful place, and those who had responded to him in faith began to share in his divine life." ... Extract from Reflection—Most Rev David Walker

(Lectio Divina, Praying the Scriptures in Lent, Year B 2018)



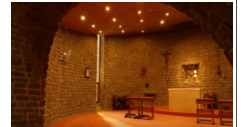
**2018 Easter Message from Bishop Peter A Comensoli
Filmed in our own St Patrick's Church, Asquith**

(with St Bernard sneaking a peak over the Bishop's shoulder!)

Watch the Bishop's message on

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdV_MZ_tVgA

Hard copies are also available at the back of the church.



Divine Mercy Novena at St. Bernard's Church Berowra ... continuing

Join us for the Divine Mercy Novena over 9 days commencing on Good Friday. Jesus promised to St. Faustina: *By this novena, I will grant every possible grace to souls* (Diary, 796). The Novena is prayed from Good Friday to the day before Divine Mercy Sunday.

You are welcome to pray on your own, with your family, or join us at the Church.

Public recitation of the Novena will be:

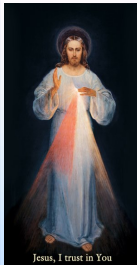
Easter Saturday: 6.30pm (directly before Easter Vigil)

Easter Sunday ~ Easter Monday ~ Tuesday ~ Wednesday ~ Thursday ~ Friday: 7pm

Saturday: 4.30pm (directly before Vigil Mass)

Vigil Mass at 5pm: for Divine Mercy Sunday

[St Agatha's, Pennant Hills is holding a special celebration for Divine Mercy Sunday (8 April) commencing at 1.30pm until 5pm. See noticeboard for full details].



**ALPHA 2018 ~ Continues Monday 9th April, 6.30pm at the Pastoral Centre
beside St Bernard's Church, Berowra Heights**

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explores the basics of the Catholic Faith. Come for a bite to eat, watch a video, have a chat and explore life's biggest questions.

The Alpha Retreat Day will be held on April 21, 2018 at St Benedict's Parish, Arcadia.

All past Alpha participants who have previously missed out on this important part of the Alpha course are welcome to join our present group for the retreat day.

Please RSVP to Michelle before April 15th at michelle.chahine@dbb.org.au

Please come along and join us.

WEEKENDS COLLECTIONS

The 2nd Collection: Is **ESSENTIAL** for our **PARISH** to **FUNCTION FINANCIALLY** and goes to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance, telecommunications, wages, pastoral programmes, church and office expenses, the Priests' cars, petrol etc etc.

The 1st Collection: goes to a common fund **outside the Parish** to support priests.



Our newest Catholic is Shontelle

Having been prepared by Ellen & Mary, our Rite of Christian Initiation of Children leaders, and supported by her family and sponsors, **Shontelle** has been lead to know the love of Christ, culminating in her reception into the Catholic Faith at our Easter Vigil celebrations where she received Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

As a parish we congratulate you Shontelle and ask that God blesses you and keeps you always in the palm of His hand.

A Welcome Supper at St Patrick's follows the Easter Vigil Mass.

All are welcome to come along and celebrate the Risen Lord and congratulate Shontelle.



Children's Liturgy is being held TODAY Easter Sunday during 9am Mass at St Bernard's, Berowra Heights, I hope you can join us, Jackie T.

Children's liturgy at St Patrick's Church will instead hold its final children's liturgy for Term 1 during the 10am Mass on **Sunday 8th April** (replacing children's liturgy from 1st April due to Easter Sunday Mass)

Children can be dropped off to the school/parish hall from 9.50am. We hope to see many children there. Liz T, Lisa P & Bec D (Children's Liturgy coordinators).



Mass
for the
Anointing of the Sick

Frist Friday Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick ~ 6 April St Bernard's Church, at 11am.

Our regular Mass of Anointing and Healing at St Bernard's Berowra Heights, will be celebrated on Friday 6 April at 11.30am.

After this Mass a lovely morning tea / luncheon is shared and is filled with community spirit and support for one another. *Please consider joining us....you will be warmly welcomed.*

Then later at St Patrick's: NIGHT VIGIL 7.30pm -10pm

7.30pm to 8.00pm Silent Adoration 8.00pm to 9.00pm praise and worship

9.00pm to 9.45pm Rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet and silent prayer 9.45pm Benediction.

Matt. 7:7: "Keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep searching, and you will find.

Keep knocking, and the door will be opened to you."



Many thanks to the Select Choir for a wonderful presentation of the Passion according to St Mark last Friday, for all your hard work and beautiful music. Thanks also to parents who provided a wonderful supper!

Senior Choir will be singing at the parish monthly

Mass of Anointing on Friday 6th April at 11am at St Bernard's. All welcome.

Children's Choir will have its regular practice this Friday, 6th April at 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church, and will sing at 10am Mass on Sunday 8th April.

Please note that there will be **no practice** on 13th April (last day of term), and the Choir will be in recess over the school holidays until Friday 4th May.

Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass during school terms, and practises every Friday from 4 to 5pm except during school holidays. Singers from Year 3 and up are welcome to join at any time. Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935



The April edition of Broken Bay News is available at the back of our churches this weekend. Featured in this issue is the Plenary 2020, 4 pages of information detailing our local journey in Broken Bay to the Plenary Council.

Please take a copy home with you.



Project Compassion:
"Cultivate with love the seeds of goodness, beauty and truth that God sows in every new generation" - Pope Francis.

PLEASE RETURN BOXES at the next Mass you attend

Through your generosity this Lent you are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities.



Safeguarding Message: April:

A safe parish community is one that seeks the views of children and young people and takes into account their age, development, maturity, understanding and abilities and the different formats and means of communication they use.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April ~

For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters:

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



Safe travels to you
Fr Shaju John PP

Fr Shaju is off again to visit his family in India, and will be on Annual Leave from April 2nd to 27th.

Have a safe journey Father and a relaxing time, so you can return to us all safely and well rested.



Vinnies Youth Group have organised the following

Family Movie Night
Sunday 8 April 4pm
'A Wrinkle In Time'

Please support their cause.
Tickets: available after Mass
OR Luke Antoun
0420 311 596 OR
vinniesyouthasquith@gmail.com



Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. This gathering of all the local churches or dioceses of the nation will invite us to reflect on the question:

"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au The official launch of the Plenary Council will be at Pentecost this year, May 20. That gives us time to prepare, to "Listen to what the Spirit is saying" and to consider how we can take part in this important process.

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 7 /8 April—2nd Sunday of Easter– Divine Mercy

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31



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CATHOLIC PARISH
Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia

St Bernard's Church

St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)

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	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr James Duck	Fr James Duck	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Johnny
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Barbara McMullen	Mani Subramany	Francis Wong	John Messina	Malcolm Cross
Server	Molly Summerhayes Alodie Wheeler Isara Wheeler	Zinta Hartmann Alena Hartmann Alex Rogers	Eliza Dodd	Sarah Croft Sam Park Leith Suyyah Abbey McAdam	Adrian Joson Sam Holm Gabiella Chahine	Anika Campos Olivia Ratcliffe John Larson
Reader	John Ryan Natasha Steele	Peter Collins Denise Harant	Les Fogden Penny Loughland	Rosemary Pendlebury Cherry De Guia	Simone Noel Anne Perez	Don Low Ethleen Low
Children's Liturgy	15th April 2018, Marta C-F		April 8th, 2018 (replacing Easter Sunday, i.e. not on 1st April)— Paul & Mary M C			
Communion to Sick	Chichi Datoc, Gus Davis		Malcolm Cross, Sue Host			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Marcia Woods, Anne Bourke, Gwen Wood, Helen Johnson, Cecilia Waite(f), Tina Manti (s)		Scott Smith, Maria Hon(f), Winston Rodrigues, Paul Mathew, Antony Davis			
Maintenance	Teams A : Peter, Paul, Mark & Tony		April: Elroy Allen, HELPERS NEEDED! Please volunteer to form a group			
Counters	Lyn Beacom, Catherine & Tony McMahon		Chris Newnham, Jan Bennett, Angela Smith			

Working in a child-related ministry in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay: Paid and volunteer workers who have direct face to face contact with children (under 18 years) are required by law to obtain a Working with Children Check number. Please note though, exemptions may apply in some cases. The Parish is the employer of the paid or volunteer worker and therefore is required by law to verify the Working with Children Check number. All paid or volunteer workers engaged in a child-related role must have a clear Working with Children Check to work in a child-related ministry. This disclosure references the legislation, *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012*.

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

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Rosary After weekday Masses both Churches
Visit Housebound Fr Shaju John & Fr Shiju Simon 9456 2450
Urgent sick calls Fr Shaju John 9456 7012 (Presbytery)
 Fr Shiju Simon 9476 8843 (Presbytery)
Nursing Home Visits By request
Clergy Days Off Fr Shaju John – Monday
 Fr Shiju Simon – Tuesday
Home Visits For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests
 Please phone the Pastoral Centre 9456 2450.
HOSPITAL ADMISSION: If you are admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services.
Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.

See inside pages for details of:
Alpha Monday evenings from 6.30 pm @ SBB
Divine Mercy Novena at St. Bernard's Church Berowra, beginning Good Friday
Healing Mass @ St Bernard's—Fri. 6th April

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

- * Divine Mercy Sunday 8 April St Agatha's Pennant Hills.
- * Life Marriage & Family Weekly Notice from the DBB.
- * Vocations Office DBB 2018—you're invited to attend opportunities for prayer, discernment and inquiry if considering a vocation to priesthood or diaconate.
Vocations.Ministry@dbb.org.au
- * Father Factor—practical things to do to build your relationship with your children. 3 opportunities during May.
- * World Meeting of Families in Ireland – August 2018.

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