

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus'

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 4th August 2019 ~ 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Our Mission Statement

'Help others to recognise, through their experiences, that Jesus who died and is risen is the truth that lights up their lives'

Our Vision Statement

'That the parishioners of Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish grow as missionary disciples and live as community in Christ inviting all people into our Parish, welcoming them to our Parish life and embracing the rich diversity of our community'

Reproductive Health Care Reform Bill 2019 (Bill) tabled in NSW Parliament NSW Parliament to vote on legislation to decriminalise Abortion

A bill to make abortion legal in NSW up until birth, for any reason, has been tabled in NSW Parliament and is due to be **voted on this week, perhaps as soon as August 6**.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher has asked all Catholics in NSW to urgently contact their state Member of Parliament and ask them to vote against this bill.

The Member of Parliament for Hornsby is Mr Matt Kean ~ (02) 9476 3411.

Be informed & take action: Public Statements made by Archbishop Fisher and Bishop Michael McKenna of Bathurst as well as a guide for parishioners to phoning their MPs (to ask them to vote against the bill), now available in our churches.

Stop Talking to Yourself!

Sometimes I catch myself talking to myself. Usually, it is quite interesting, seldom any contradictory remarks! It is in the form of a dialogue, but of course it is a monologue – a totally self-contained conversation. Did you notice in today's gospel that the rich landowner is constantly murmuring to himself. He poses questions which *he* answers – to his advantage, of course, or so he thinks. The point is obvious. He is so bound up with his property, his possessions, that there is no room in his life for real conversation with real people, *other* real people, or conversation with the Creator.

If he had talked to others about what to do with the surplus grain, he would have opened himself to the risk of discovering that there may be a claim on his wealth, a claim on his property, arising out of our common humanity – that it wasn't 'all about me'. He may have heard the plea: 'Give us this day our daily bread.' In responding, he may have decided on a different course of action, the distribution of the surplus grain to grind into flour for the poor. I was taught by the Christian Brothers that if a poor man is so destitute that he can't feed himself and his family, then if a rich man refuses to give him what he needs for the necessities of life, he can take from that rich man and it is not the sin of stealing – it may be a crime, but it is not a sin!

This comes from the core Catholic teaching that all the earth and its resources belong to every person as a gift. But, whilst that is true, Our Lord was not laying the foundation for some political ideology. Why was He really concerned for this sort of rich person?

The answer is that the rich man was denying the need for conversation. But, conversation is what makes us human: we are word animals. Anyone who has been in hospital for some time knows that it is the lack of conversation which starts to tell, particularly if there is a long period of recovery. We need mouth to mouth resuscitation. In muttering to himself, the rich man was becoming dehumanised.

There are two dimensions of conversation we need:

With God we call it prayer. The Our Father is the conversation of the children of God with their heavenly Father; With other people, dialogue with them might reveal something about them such that we need to respond, and of course something about ourselves, that we are built for talking with others. Otherwise when we arrive at the moment of death, which, as in this gospel, may be at a time unknown to us, we will survive because our souls are immortal, but we could find ourselves monologuing for all eternity, and that is a Hellish existence. We need to learn the language of Heaven and we begin that on earth. What should we do in the light of today's gospel? If you knew you were going to die, say, before the end of the year, and you wanted to die 'rich in the eyes of God' as the Gospel puts it, what could you do? Look at your wealth, and if you are old enough, look at your Will. Enter imaginatively into dialogue with those in need, and, after providing for the security and dignity of those close to you, could things be re-arranged to satisfy the real needs of others?

Saturday

Sunday

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And then, draw closer to Our Lady who was the greatest conversation partner with God: 'Be it done unto me according to Thy word.' She is constantly trying to draw us into her conversation with God.

Let us pray the 'Hail Mary', lingering on the last phrase, that we may be saved from monologuing for all eternity. Learn the language of Heaven here on earth and ask Our Lady to pray for us 'now, and at the hour of our death.' Amen. © Fr Michael Tate

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WEEKEND MASSES 5pm St Bernard's 6pm St Patrick's 8am St Patrick's 9am St Bernard's 10am St Patrick's 6pm St Patrick's

St Bernard's	8am	Mon, Tues and Thurs.				
	9am	Wednesday and Friday				
St Patrick's	8am	Wednesday and Friday				
	9am	Mon, Tues, Thurs and Sat.				
First Friday -	St Bernard's					
	10.30am Adoration					
	11.00am Reconciliation					
	11.30am Healing Mass					
First Friday -	St Patrick's					
-	Night Vi	gil 7.30pm				
	RECONCILIATION					
Every Saturday	9.30 an	n at St Patrick's				
Every Friday	After 9am Mass at St Bernard's,					
•	(except F	First Friday—see above)				

WEEKDAY MASSES

This Week's: Readings & Prayers

18th week Ordinary Time Monday 05/08

Weekday, Mass ad libitum Num 11:4-15; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday 06/08

The Transfiguration of the Lord Mass of the feast, Gloria Preface of the Transfiguration Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or 2 Pet 1:16-19; Lk 9:28-36

Wednesday 07/08

Weekday, Mass ad libitum Num 13:1-2,25-14:1, 26-29,34-35; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday 08/08

St Mary of the Cross, virgin Mass of the Saint, Gloria, Creed Preface of Saints I-II, Solemn blessing 1 Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34

Friday 09/08

Weekday, Mass ad libitum Deut 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28 **Saturday 10/08**

St Lawrence, deacon, martyr Mass of the Feast, Gloria Preface of Holy Martyrs I-II 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

> Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish Remembers & Prays for...

RECENTLY DECEASED: Dominic Borg (Fr Robert's dad), Ursula Skupien (Fr Bogden's mum), Anne Favaloro, Madeleine Anderson, Ricardo Favis, George O'Donnell, Eduardo Ubalde, Anthony Smith, Zenaida Porciuncula, Lourdes Velesquez Mendoza, Pastor Alvarado, Zdenka Javorsek, Wynsom Nicholson, Nelita Madrid.

ANNIVERSARIES: Lynette Maguire, Catalino Ubalde, Elena Ubalde, Margret De Alwis, Shirley Gan, Gary Simpson (10th), Harry Fox, Geoff Hore, Dr Ken Gray.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Shaji Simon (brother of Fr Shiju), Paul Sarks, Eve Davis(baby), Penny Rigor, David Rogencamp, Rodney Porter, Sheryl Sanchez Reyes, Irena Fellmann, Jwona Nowak, Jennifer Hindmarsh, Elaine Longmuir, Paula McGaulley, Michael Ouinn, June Eileen, Patricia Smith (Carlton), Ramona Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson, Rosalinda de Ramos, Jaz Pitts, Georgia Meyers, Angela Smith, Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker, Ewa Rakozy, Jean Cook, Greg Cooper, Betty Borg, Morrie Ramsden, Brian Neary, Edwina Subramany, Aiko Concepcion, John Buckley, Fllen Asistente, Sam Calacoci, Barbara Jones, Arlene Joson, Alfredo De Ramos, Kath Lock, Marcelina De Ramos, Cadia Maestri, Matthew Conlon, Patrick Dorahy, John Macy, Narelle Cartwright, Tom Dawson, Mary Fernandes, Patricia Sanders, Monique Leyden, Frederick Novak, Barbara & Maciej Maciejewski, Alfredo De Ramos Sr.

OTHER: Marcos J Miguel & family



Pope's intention for August: Families ~ That families, through

their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."



CWF APPEAL for the 2019/20 Financial Year:

This week, we hold the first of the 3 (annual) mandatory CWF Appeal's. We commence by thanking you for your past *generous* donations towards all CWF Appeals across the years.

Envelopes are in the pews so please give what you can or take one home and return it next week.

This year's August CWF Appeal focuses on the CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy & Pastoral Care programme.

This year's quota is \$33,665 which equates to \$11,222 per appeal.

"The Catholic Church was there for my mother during her greatest trial". Sonia

Patricia was diagnosed with Stage 4 ovarian cancer in 2014. Over the 18 months that she was in and out of hospital, she was visited by one of our CatholicCare Pastoral Care Practitioners at Gosford Hospital.

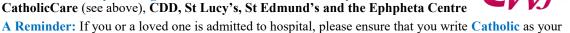
This Sunday, is the fourth anniversary of her death.

You can read more about their stories in the August edition of Broken Bay News.

The Charitable Works Fund is 100% tax deductible.

98.25cents in every dollar goes to the 5 Diocese of Broken Bay beneficiaries:

religion on admissions paperwork so that you can receive Catholic services during your stay.





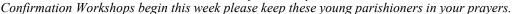
St Bernard's Feast Day is Tuesday August 20, and as a parish we will be celebrating our Patron Saint's Day on Sunday 18 August at the 9am Mass at Berowra Heights.

Please save the date and join in this celebration as a whole parish, bring a plate to share.

2018/2019 TAXATION RECEIPTS: Now available for those who gave to **Charitable Works or Caritas (Project Compassion)** in the 2018/2019 financial year. **NB:** receipts are not issued for Weekly Envelope givers as this is not Tax Deductible.

A message to our young parishioners journeying towards the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Dear children of our parish preparing for Confirmation, we would like you to know that: We **Confirm** you are an important member of our faith family. We **Confirm** that you are in our prayers and we ask Our Lord to strengthen and guide you over the coming weeks and We **Confirm**, that when you open your hearts and souls to the Holy Spirit, you will experience God's wisdom and love forever. Fr Shaju & Fr Joy.





The Rural Fire Service were on stand-by as our kindling—fed—bonfire raged, but let's face it, it was being fanned by the Wings of the Holy Spirit!

KCCP ... you are TRULY AMAZING and YOUR GENEROSITY is nothing short of MIRACULOUS!

ALL COSTS have now been realised, as this week **even more** generous yet 'silent' donor's have come forward to contribute.

We are now in a position to purchase:

8 x Large Candle Shells ~//~ 4 x Medium Candle Shells ~//~
4 x Altar Server Candle Shells (final style tbc) ~//~ 2 x boxes of Oil Canister refills ~//~
and then we got an UNLOOKED FOR DONATION to purchase:

2 x Advent Wreaths—total value of \$900 from yet another 'silent' donor!

The Parish Finance Committee are so 'filled-to-the-brim' with pride for their parish ..., they don't even have room for a bonfire toasted marshmallow! Lol.

Very soon the owner of Kerry Oil Candles in Brisbane, Mr Ken Bell, will visit us in person to discuss our final order with Fr Shaju.

Don't 'hold your breath to cool your porridge', hold your breath to blow out our new candles!

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RCIA: Got questions? - Come along to our Enquiry Night and ask away.

People from a variety of backgrounds and for many different reasons may express an interest in knowing more about our community.

There is a process of enquiry in our parish for adults or young adults who are interested in exploring the spirituality that has lead people through the ages to help the poor, run schools and set up hospitals.

This coming Thursday, join us for a coffee as you begin to explore the wisdom people have found in trying to know and follow Jesus.

When & where: Thurs. August 8, St Patricks Parish Meeting Room at 7:30 pm Details: Parish Pastoral Centre 02 9456 2450, or Sue 0400 300 598.



<u>Safeguarding</u>: Next month (Sept.) is Safeguarding month. This year the DBB is celebrating the theme; A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging. All clergy, parishioners and the wider community are invited to the Diocesan Liturgy which signifies the start of Safeguarding Month. Liturgy of Inclusion & Care, Tuesday 3 September 2019, OLOR Cathedral, Waitara, 7pm.



Children's Choir @St Patrick's includes young people from Year 3 to Year 11, from St Leo's, Asquith Public School,

St Patrick's, Hornsby Girls, and a number of other schools like our parish community, it is a welcoming space for people of different ages, different cultural backgrounds and different language traditions, who come together to volunteer their time and their talents in the best way they are able, to help their community. If your child is interested in joining, the only requirement is that they be in Year 3 or older. Children's Choir practises every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church, and sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays.

The Cherubs Choir is for younger children from Kinder to Year 2 who are excited about singing in a group in church, but are not yet old enough for regular Children's Choir. The Cherubs practise on Tuesday mornings from 8.15 to 8.45am in St Patrick's church. If your child is interested in being an active part of the parish music ministry, please contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935 for more information.

The program is as follows:

5:00pm - 6:00pm - Celebration of Mass at the Cathedral

6:00pm – 7:00pm - Refreshments and live entertainment

National Vocations Awareness Week - Today (August 4) is the feast of

Celebrating Disciples of All Nations – Saturday 17 August 2019

St John Vianney, the patron of parish clergy. Pray for your priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in your community. Next

Thursday is the feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop, our first Australian

saint. Pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that these saints may inspire many

vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from your community.

Dr David Ranson. We then gather to celebrate our multicultural

Christian community with multicultural food and live entertainment.

This month, read about:

To mark Migrant and Refugee Sunday, all are warmly invited to our Diocesan Multicultural event "Celebrating Disciples of All Nations" to be held at

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral on Saturday 17 August.

The evening starts with the celebration of Mass with Presider Very Rev



2019 Children's **Choir Games** The Annual Children's

Choir Games will be held at St Patrick's

Catholic Church, Asquith on Sunday 22 September 2019.

The Choir Games is open to any young person from Year 2 - Year 12 and is a fun afternoon of workshops, rehearsals and performance. Entry is \$5 per person. To register, phone Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish on 9456 2450 or email parishkeep@bbcatholic.org.au

Youth Matters



Calling all kids in Year 5 & 6 to the launch of our latest youth group... 'St Bernard's Knights'

Our Youth Co-Ordinator, Michelle, has been busy planning and has come up with a great idea. She would like

where students from Year's 5 and 6 can learn about what it means to be loved by God and can develop their

Berowra Heights, When: Every last Friday of the month, beginning on August 30.

Structured lessons and activities, refreshments and snacks will be available. For more info. or to rsvp contact the office on 9456 2450 or via michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au



'Faith and Fun' youth group, own relationship with Him.

From: 6pm to 7.30pm.

ENROL NOW **FOR 2020**



you to join us for a community

Where: The Pastoral Centre,



You are invited to bring a plate to share from your cultural community, and to wear multicultural dress. For more information please email faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au August: Broken Bay News now available from our churches.

FES IVAL

* Fr David Ranson's Ad Limina trip to Rome and his meeting with Pope Francis. * Chatswood Parish—the final Neighbourhoods of Grace feature for Broken Bay News having now featured all 26 parishes! * The August issue is also a special Vocations feature for Vocations Awareness Month.

The Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) is a national What is ACYF? gathering of Catholic young people which exists to provide young people with opportunities to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia. December 8th-10th 2019. Approximately 9.30am – 8.30pm each day.



Where is ACYF 2019? The 2019 Festival will be held at Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, 21 Mounts Bay Road, Perth Who can attend? The CYBB Pilgrimage is for young people who are in Year 9 (in 2019) up to the age of 30. Registrations close end of August, so get on board quickly!

For more info contact Michelle Chahine: Michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au

The National Centre for Pastoral Research has just published Listen to what the Spirit is saying,

the final report of the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council. The report captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process.

Access the report at:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports



PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:

www.stpat.nsw.edu.au

5.45pm Light Supper

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ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 10th/11th August—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr C

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE Wis 18:6-9;; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-481

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	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)				
KU-RING-GAI CHASE	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm	
CATHOLIC PARISH Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia	Fr Shaju	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Shaju	Fr Shaju	Fr Joy	
Acolyte/Snr Server	Garth Graham	Alex Jarominek	Sue Lum	Malcolm Cross	John Messina	Keith Fone	
Server	Megan Chung Alex Rogers Suzie Thompson Mark Dunkley Donna Machado	Levi McLoughlin Matthius McLoughlin Freya Tonkin Clare McLoughlin Barbara McMullen	Henning Schneider	Sarah Croft Sam Park Leith Suyyah Abbey McAdam Millie Wong Michael Halliday	Adrian Joson Sam Holm Jo Quinlan Kaitlin Quinlan	Anika Campos Olivia Ratcliffe John Larson Fiona Fone Simone Noel	
	Donna Wachado	Darbara McMulleri	Les Fogden			Simone Noei	
Children's Liturgy	August 4, 2019 – Jackie T.		August 4, 2019 – Karen P. Kathleen Q assisted by Phill C & Pia S.				
Communion to Sick	Kerrin Enright		Penny Loughland, Janette O'Brien				
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Marcia Woods, Anne Bourke, Gwen Wood, Helen Johnson, Cecilia Waite(f), Anne Bourke		Scott Smith, Maria Hon (f), Winston Rodrigues, Paul Mathew, Antony Davis MORE PEOPLE NEEDED for ALTAR SOCIETY 5 weekly ROSTER, please volunteer				
Maintenance Both teams A & B			August: Paul McLoughlin, Ronnie Tan more VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for this Roster				

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

Pat Connor, Lyn Beacom, Ruth Maher

After weekday Masses both Churches Rosary

Visit to Housebound Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450

Emergency sick calls 0468 341 841 (After hours)

Nursing Home Visits By request

Clergy Days Off Fr Shaju John — Monday

Fr Joy Thomas — Tuesday

Home Visits For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral

Requests Please call the Office 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.

Counters

Week 4: 30/07/2019 ~ Winning #: 818 Winner: Unfinancial ~ Amount: \$25.00

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

- 2018/2019 Taxation Receipts available at churches NOW
- RCIA Enquiry Night: 8 August 7.30pm Parish Mtg Rm Asquith
 - Save the date: Sunday 18 August 9am Mass Feast of St Bernard

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

- * St Benedict's Monastery Christian Meditation: Sun. 18 Aug. 2019 10am—3pm * Social Justice Event—Speaking from the Heart—Migrant and Refugee Sunday 18 August, 3-5pm Frenchs Forest Parish
- * Tri-Diocesan Gathering—Putting Rungs on the Ladder-Thurs. 29 August, 6-9pm
 Parramatta Cathedral Hall

Mary & Peter McAleer, Imm & Thomas Lui, Annie Wong

- * Hornsby Cathedral Parish—Spring Ball 15/10/19
 * Refugee Law Project—Volunteer Litigation Assistants Required- apply now
 * [Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB

The Asquith Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society meets every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting room at St. Patricks.

Any parishioner who is interested in joining or would like to know more about the Society is very welcome to come along to our meeting. Alan Henson, President

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