

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

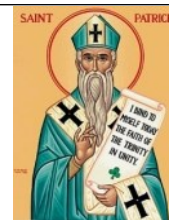
Diocese of Broken Bay

4th March 2018

3rd Sunday of Lent Year B

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Ex 20: 1-17; 1 Cor 1: 22-25; Jn 2: 13-25



Jesus drives out the moneychangers from the Temple and says that he will destroy the temple and raise it up again.

..The Gospel of John tends to reflect greater tension and animosity between Jesus and the Jewish authorities than the Synoptic

Gospels. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels to be written, and its narrative reflects the growing divide between the Jewish community and the early Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John's Gospel.

Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. With greater frequency than the other

Evangelists, John intersperses post-Resurrection reflections of this Christian community in his narrative.

After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of **our prayer and worship**. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer. Loyola Press

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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)

PROGRAMMES on offer @ KCCP during LENT 2018

'24 Hours for the Lord' at St Patrick's Asquith 9-10 March 2018



The Holy Father has called us to celebrate '24 Hours for the Lord' on 9-10 March. Commencing Fri March 9 with 8am Mass & concluding Sat March 10 with 9am Mass.

The initiative "24 hours for the Lord" is in the Pope's heart.

He mentioned it in the final passages of his Message for Lent.

The intention is to open our hearts to the life of God, who changes and transforms it, giving us joy.

I encourage you to come along with all your family or at least 1 person from each family to simply 'BE' with God and experience how great His blessings upon us are and to express our thanks to Him personally.



The Light is On for You

How are your Lenten commitments going?

Are you looking for a way to kick start your Lent?

This week we continue *The Light is ON*, and we are open on Friday between 7pm- 8pm. Come along to a make a space to renew your relationship with God through prayer. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available during this time.

For further details, Lenten resources, and participating churches across the Diocese please visit www.thelightisonforyou.org.au.

Our programme at St Patrick's Church follows and you are welcome to join us:

Friday	7-8pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation
9 / 10 March	24 Hours for the Lord - praise & worship - see above
16 March	Taize Prayer evening- guided prayer and meditation with music from Taize
23 March	The Passion according to Mark- journey from the Last Supper to the Crucifixion in Scripture, with music presented by Select Choir



Lenten Reflection programme 'Lifted Up' will be held every Thursday evening during Lent. See inside page for full details.



Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Bernard's Berowra Heights:

8.30am every Friday morning followed by Holy Mass, except the 1st Friday of the month when Stations will be at 10.30am followed by Adoration then Anointing and Healing Mass.



March Safeguarding Message ~ Australia's biggest minority group is the elderly.

Discrimination against the elderly is known as ageism. We must protect the rights of the older person.

More information can be found on <http://elderabusehelpline.com.au/>



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March ~ Formation in Spiritual Discernment

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

3rd Week of Lent Year B

Monday 5/03

Weekday, 3rd week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
2 Kg 5:1-15; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday

Weekday, 3rd week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Dan 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday

Weekday, 3rd week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Deut 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

Weekday, 3rd week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23;

Friday

Weekday, 3rd week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Hosea 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday

Weekday, 3rd week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Hosea 5:15-6:6; Lk 18:9-14

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

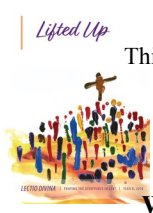
Maria Dinh Thi Ren,
Nini Hilario Bagawisan,
Des Randall, Myrna Rodriguez,

ANNIVERSARIES:

Anthony Fernandes, Neville Nicholson,

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

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



Lifted Up continues this week.

This new Lenten resource provided by our Diocese continues this week with reflections by Rev Dr David Ranson, Ashleigh Green, & Most Rev David Walker.

Please consider joining with other parishioners to use this resource as you prayerfully and meditatively reflect on the Sunday Lenten readings in preparation for the Easter mystery.

Where: Fr Pat McMaugh Hall, in the grounds of St Patrick's School, Asquith
When: Remaining Thursday evenings of Lent, March 8, 15 & 22 **Time:** 7.30pm

It isn't too late to join !

Please join us whenever you can and prepare yourself to be Lifted Up at Easter.

Or, if you prefer, you may use the booklet as a 'personal guidance' tool and undertake the programme privately. *Booklets are available from the back of each church today.*

One of the beautiful faith traditions is the **Stational Mass**, a special opportunity that offers a way to greater prayer with the universal Church during particular seasons throughout the year.

All parishioners are invited to any of the following Masses celebrated at 7.30pm by Bishop Peter:

6 March ~ St Agatha's Church, Pennant Hills

13 March ~ Our Lady of the Rosary Church, The Entrance

22 March ~ St Philip Neri Church, Northbridge



Lent: The 3 practices of Lent are prayer, fasting and alms giving.

Bishop Peter Comensoli reminds us of our obligations and the benefits derived from doing well chosen Lenten Penance as we prepare for the focal point of the Church's liturgical year, Easter. By choosing wisely, he states that Lent can become a time of many graces and growth in our relationship with God. Share God's mercy with others.

Paschal Precept: The faithful are obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year, between Ash Wednesday (February 14) and Trinity Sunday (27th May), unless for a good reason it is done at another time; and to confess grave sins at least once a year.

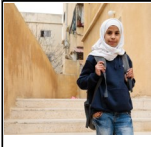


Chrism Mass 27 March 2018 at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm on Tuesday 27 March at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. The priests of our Diocese gather for this celebration with Most Rev Bishop Peter A Comensoli to renew their priestly commitment. During Mass, the oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed and the Chrism is consecrated and then taken back to each parish for use in various Sacramental liturgies throughout the coming year.

Request for Choristers at the Chrism Mass

Parish choirs and singers from across the Diocese are warmly invited to join together to form a Diocesan Choir that will lead the congregation in prayerful song during this special Mass. If you wish to participate please arrive by 6.15pm for rehearsal prior to Mass. Please contact Bella Jakubek Bella.Jakubek@dbb.org.au at the Cathedral should you require further details.



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

Through your generosity this Lent you are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities. The focus for **Week 3** is Bayan, **Jordan** where Caritas supports education.

Lent is a season when many of us think about something to "give up".

With that said, some things are truly worth changing as they fundamentally change ourselves, and the following are things to change, not just for Lent, but for the rest of your life:

Impatience—God's timing is the perfect timing.

Over commitment—Do less better and accomplish more.

Bitterness—The only person I am hurting by holding on to this is myself.

Mediocrity—If you are going to do something, then give it all you've got.

Giving Up—God never gives up on us.

ALPHA 2018~ Begins THIS Sunday 4th March,'18 at St Bernard's, Berowra

Begin your Alpha journey at Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Catholic Parish TODAY. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Catholic Faith. Come for a bite to eat, watch a video and have a chat and explore life's biggest questions with Alpha.

Join us TODAY for an informal morning tea and introduction to Alpha after the 9.00am Mass.

Alpha then continues every Monday night at 6.30pm on March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 9, 16, 21 (Day Retreat), 30; May 7, 14.

The alpha course, we run in our parish, is not the duty of a particular group.

We are all part of the Alpha course. We need to **Create a culture of invitation**. We can invite anyone to do this course. If we invite people, some will say no and some will say yes, **but** if we do not invite people, the answer will always be **no!**

Do not be afraid!

And what is the reason? For I am with You...(Jer 1:8) For the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go...(Joshua 1:9)
As you contemplate the endless possibilities the future offers you, take time to consider what is really important for your life.

Can you be part of Hospitality team? Alpha is run with dinner. Can you help other members of the community to cook dinner for Alpha Participants? Or could you be there for welcoming or setting up? Please contact the parish office if you can.





Fr Shaju John appointed as Parish Priest to the Catholic Parish of Ku-ring-gai Chase

As a parish we join with Bishop Peter A Comensoli in wishing Fr Shaju every blessing as he assumes this new service in the vineyard of the Lord.
We are truly blessed and thankful to have you with us Father.

World Youth Day 2019 Panama – Promo & Info Night

Have you heard about World Youth Day 2019 Panama? To learn more and see what opportunities lie ahead, don't miss our Promo & Info Sessions!

We will have 3 (of the same) sessions at 3 different locations, so choose one that suits you! Each one aims to present the finer details of the WYD pilgrimages to Panama to potential pilgrims, their parents and carers, as well as community leaders.

Dates & Venues: 6 March - Our Lady of Good Counsel, Forestville

7 March - Our Lady Star of the Sea, Terrigal

8 March - Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood

Time: 6:30pm – 8:30pm

RSVP: youth@dbb.org.au



World Youth Day 2018 on Palm Sunday! Every year since 1983, the Pope has called local bishops to gather with their own young people on Palm Sunday to Celebrate World Youth Day and 2018 is no exception. Bishop Peter invites the young and wise of the Diocese to join him to celebrate World Youth Day 2018 at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral. If you would like to assist in some way at the Mass or Concelebrate, please contact the CYBB team. **When:** 6pm Mass Sunday 25 March

Where: Hornsby Cathedral, 23 Yardley Ave, Waitara **RSVP:** youth@dbb.org.au

Young people are encouraged to join us for some food and fun from 4:30pm.

Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish and St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Asquith

Invite all parishioners of Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish

To the 60th Anniversary Celebrations of St Patrick's School on Saturday, 17 March 2018

Most Reverend Peter A Comensoli will preside at an outdoor Mass commencing at 5.00pm.



Following Mass, classrooms will be open with a display of memorabilia and a BBQ dinner.

Please RSVP to the School Office email: spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au Phone: 02 9477 3800

NB: There will be NO PARKING in School grounds on 17/3/2018.

We would love to display any memorabilia you have, however, it must be clearly labelled for easy return, contact the school office for more details.



Senior Parish Choir Easter and Holy Week liturgies are fast approaching and we need musicians! Practice for all musicians, singers, would-be singers, instrumentalists, on Wednesday 7th March at 7.30pm at St Patrick's church.

Children's Choir will be singing with St Patrick's school choir and other parish musicians at the school's 60th anniversary celebration Mass on 17th March. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays each month, and at other parish events as they arise. Practices are held every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. All singers from Year 3 and up are welcome to join at any time. Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

Select Choir (a division of the parish Children's Choir) will be leading a Lenten reflection evening, 'The Passion according to Mark', on Friday evening, 23rd March at 7pm at St Patrick's church. This will be an inspiring hour of Scripture and singing, with everyone invited to participate in walking in the footsteps of Christ to the Cross. Supper will follow. Save the date now!

Senior Parish Choir will rehearse at St Patrick's church on Monday 12th March immediately after 9am Mass. New singers very welcome!

Further information: Patricia Smith 9482 7935 or see parish website. *For details on the above please contact Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.*

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMENT: (Paul Cramsie)



The Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart congregation has denounced the government's plan to increase weapons exports. "Weapons are designed to kill and maim human beings," said Congregational Leader Sr Monica Cavanagh. "We completely reject the philosophy which finds it acceptable to boost industry, create jobs, increase exports and protect local manufacturing via the arms trade. "We agree with Pope Francis that those who seek to benefit from trading in weapons are 'merchants of death'," she said. In a statement, the Sisters said "there is enormous difference between a defence manufacturing industry to protect Australia and the development of a weapons export industry". They raised concerns over the government's assurances about maintaining controls over which nations could access Australian weapons, stating the proposal lacks "detail on methods of oversight and on how such controls would be policed". "It is a matter of great concern and sorrow that Australia's overseas aid has dropped to its lowest level ever, while at the same time plans are underway to increase the sale of weapons."

"We strongly urge the government to resist the hypocrisy of talking about peace while financing and supporting the arms trade," Sr Monica said. "Over 90% of those who die in war zones are not soldiers, but civilians. "It is reprehensible for government and industry authorities to pursue financial and electoral gain through promoting the weapons which enable the escalation of violence."

Catechist Connections

Thank you to all our Catechists who attended Catechist Sunday Mass at St Patrick's. It was so lovely to see candles carried by Catechists representing all seven Public Schools that we serve within our Parish, and representation from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Berowra Heights. Our sincere thanks, to Fr Shiju, who made everyone welcome; and for his words of encouragement for our Ministry.

The Morning Coffee that followed was great and we thank all those who brought a plate to share. It was nice that many Parishioners remained after Mass, to talk to the Catechists and share a cuppa, capping off a very happy and proud day for me as Catechist Coordinator.

Cynthia Gilbertson.



Bernies' Ladies

Next function is dinner on Saturday,

March 17 @ 6.30pm, Asquith Bowling Club, 1 Lodge St, Hornsby.

Please let me know if you would like a lift.

As with our last function we will meet in the carpark after the 5.00pm Mass to organise carpooling. Please R.S.V.P. to Genevieve Funk by Monday, March 12. Email: david@barnettsroad.com Mob: 0418866250

'LinC Hornsby –

servng the community

'LinC Hornsby' is part of a national network of volunteers from local Christian churches working together to show

"Love In the Name of Christ"

LinC arranges transport to medical appointments, shopping during recuperation and/or regular contact by telephone for a chat. It operates a free "Tea at the Courthouse" on Tues and Thurs mornings at Hornsby Courthouse.

Can You help LinC?

More volunteers are needed, Just 1-2 times a month would be a great help, so please call the LinC office on 9476 3134 10am to 12md, Mon-Fri or email linchornsby@gmail.com Enquiries: Kerry Wills 0459759306

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 10/11 Mar.—4th Sunday of Lent

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

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2: 4-10; Jn 3: 14-21



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CATHOLIC PARISH
Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)			
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Shaju John	Fr Shaju John	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Shaju John
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Denis Steiner	Mani Subramany	Malcolm Cross	John Messina	Keith Fone
Server	Marissa Maatouk Alex Rogers Arabella Stewart	Maddi Durnell Max Jarominek Jessica Wilson	Eliza Dodd	Sarah Croft Lachlan Donell Sam Park Leith Suyyah Abbey McAdam	Adrian Joson Sam Holm Gabrielle Chahine	Anika Campos Olivia Ratcliffe John Larson
Reader	Alysha Berry Francesca Parrinol	Peter Collins Paul Maher	Lorraine Bongloy Yvonne Thomas	Rosemary Pendlebury Angela Smith	School to arrange "	Fiona Fone Clarissa Baptista
Children's Liturgy	March 4th 2018—Jackie T.		March 4th 2018— Grace M. & Melissa M			
Communion to Sick	Garth Graham, Michael O'Neill		Penny Loughland, Janette O'Brien			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Marcia Woods, Anne Bourke, Gwen Wood, Helen Johnson, Cecilia Waite(f), Chichi Datoc(s)		Marie Bright, Imm Lui, Jeanette Hester, Deirdre Lethbridge, Anthony Drake (Saturday)			
Maintenance	Teams B		March: David Hartmann, Matthew Tancred, Gerry Duffy			
Counters	Pat Connor, Lyn Beacom		Malcolm Cross, Jessie Long, Graham Palmer, Col Gilbertson			

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

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.



250 Club:
 Wk 10: /18: TBA

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

Events to Easter 2018
The Light is on for You -
with Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation,
SPA Friday evenings 7–8pm
 SBB 8.30am Fridays during Lent—Stations of the Cross
 SPA Lenten Reflection 'Lifted Up' Thursdays 7.30pm in hall
 4 March: Alpha informal MT & intro. after 9am Mass @ SBB
 17 March: 60th Anniversary St Patrick's School Asquith.
 1 April: Easter Sunday

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

- * Life Marriage & Family Weekly Noticeboard 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
- * World Meeting of Families in Ireland – August 2018

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..., watch over your children and, in a world dominated by technology, transmit to them, with serenity and trust, reasons for living, the strength of faith, pointing them towards high goals and supporting them in their fragility. (Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI)

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