

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH Diocese of Broken Bay 10th November ~ Year B

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

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	
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WEEKDAY MASSES

While Fr Biju is on leave (6 Nov—22 Nov) there will be ONE Morning Mass only on weekdays

St Patrick's 9am: Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat St Bernard's 9.15am: Wed ~ Fri

RECONCILIATION

Saturday After 9am Mass St Patrick's Friday After 9.15am Mass St Bernard's

> (Out of office hours URGENT only) Emergency sick calls 0468 341 841

HOSPITAL ADMISSION: If admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services. Please, call the office if you would like our own priests to visit you in hospital.

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Seek God, Find God,

Embrace God in Jesus'

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'.

The Widow's Mite

This is the most commonly misunderstood passage in the Gospels. It is usually read in a 'pat on the back' tone of voice, commending the widow for her generosity.

But it should be read with the tone of white hot anger which Jesus had displayed against the money dealers whom he expelled from the temple only days earlier.

This vulnerable widow was exploited and brainwashed by the scribes and temple authorities so that she gave *all she had to live on*? She was left destitute, unable to afford the necessities of life.

On the contrary, Jesus wanted to create a band of followers who would look after widows and orphans. Look at Acts 4:32-37 to see that in operation. In fact, deacons were created in the early Church precisely to care for non-Jewish widows.

The message for the Church from this Gospel story is that it must never exploit the religious fervour of the poor to build up its own resources. Pope Francis is emphasising that the flow must be the other way if we are to be authentic Christians.

We could pause a moment to pray that, imitating the earliest Christian communities, our parish practises true concern for the marginalised and vulnerable, ensuring that they have all the necessities of life in all its dimensions. © Fr Michael Tate

Attention Parish Volunteers: It's time for us to ... THANK YOU Please save the Date: Friday 29th November



6pm to 9pm at St Bernard's Berowra Heights.

It's that time of year again when the PPC/PFC and the few in the office get to **THANK YOU** ~ the many parish volunteers for all your acts of stewardship and ministry during 2024, so **PLEASE** accept our invitation to the Parish Volunteers Thanksgiving BBQ.

RSVP needed by FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER by emailing parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

are invited to join me for a 'Thanksgiving Games Evening' including a lovely dinner, dessert, soft drink and tea/coffee. This will be a family friendly evening so **no alcohol** will be served.

Please remember to email your RSVP, ASAP. :)



Last Saturday our parish held its 2nd 'All Souls Day Prayer Service' at Brooklyn Cemetery.

The date was of course, November 2nd and Fr Biju was joined by a good dozen parishioners who came along despite the inclement weather.

With brollies at the ready, the rain did little to dampen the spirits of all who came to pray for the souls of departed family members and friends who have gone to their eternal rest.

Why Brooklyn Cemetery? Because it is the only cemetery within the boundaries of our parish and it contains many unmarked graves of residents from Peat Island who may not have anyone to pray for them.

We hope this aspiring, compassionate KCCP 'tradition' will continue to grow in consideration and participation in the years to come, and that you will join us next year ~ on the same date and in the same location.





'Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic parish acknowledges the Darug and Guringai people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.'

LIMITED PARKING! Sundays only in SPA school grounds

 Entry/Exit by vehicle and foot is via Royston Pde ONLY.



Pope's intention for November: For anyone who has

lost a child ~ We pray that all parents who mourn the

loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Monday 11/11 ~ Memorial St Martin of Tours, bishop Titus 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday 12/11 ~ Memorial St Josaphat, bishop, martyr Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

> Wednesday 13/11 Titus 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday 14/11 Philemon 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

> Friday 15/11 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37 Saturday 16/11

3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish Remembers & Prayers for ...

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anne Hartmann

ANNIVERSARY:

All those recorded in our **Book of Remembrance**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Sandra Sparkes, Lynn Beacom, Warren Beacom, Kyung Ja Ku, Gina Ku, Louise Tong, Nora Carrigan, Paul Lam, Ruth Carlos, Ann Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio, Pat Bowden, Vince Hughes, Georgina Hughes, Bill Holmes, Mary Burns, Chris Enright, Isabel Henson, Mary Mathew, Chichi Datoc, Philomena D'Souza, Patrick Dorahy, Rey Hilario, Roger Okell,

John Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.



Amt: \$25.00 - Winner: Unsubscribed



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pay for regular parish expenses, eg Hosts, electricity, water, etc.



Advance Notice ~ Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) **November Appeal.** The Diocese of Broken Bay now holds the Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) appeal across just two occasions being November and May. Our quota levy this year it is set at \$30,778

making our target per appeal \$15,389.00.

If there is a shortfall from the Appeal, then the balance must be taken from parish funds which would otherwise be used for the benefit of the parish itself. The Appeal takes place next weekend at all Masses. Envelopes are available in the pews from this weekend.

Readings First Reading 1 Kings 17:10-16

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends

rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

All: Thanks be to God

The Word of the Lord **Responsorial Psalm**

- (R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!
- It is the Lord who keeps faith forever 1. who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)
- 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)
- The Lord upholds the widow and orphan 3. but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 9:24-28

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit, the kingdom of heaven is theirs. Alleluia!



Gospel Mark 12:38-44

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

The Gospel of the Lord All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Remembering all those who have been born to Eternal Life November '... enables us to reconnect with all those whom we love, but who have died. As well, it invites us into solidarity with the dead throughout history... We also pray for those who have "gone before us marked with the sign of faith". During the Month of November you are requested to say the following prayer daily: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Our Book of Remembrance remains in each of our Churches during November. Please print names clearly on the November Mass envelope and place on either plate at any Mass. The names of your deceased family members and friends will be placed into the books on a weekly basis where they will be remembered in a special way during November Masses at both St Patrick's and St Bernard's.



you today,

which button

would you

press??

Catechists Plea: For the children's sake, please don't let our plea fall on deaf ears. Without Catechists to teach them, some children won't know that God exists. The precious gift of faith in God and the knowledge of God is given to every child in the Public School system, by Catechists in our Parish, but sadly we don't have enough Catechists. Many people sit



back and wait for others to volunteer or say "I couldn't do that, it isn't for me". But how do you know what you are capable of if you haven't even tried! All lessons are prepared for you. They are simple and training is provided. Can you help us to help them?? We need five more Catechists and at least five standby catechists. Standby catechists will be required when a catechist is ill or on holidays. Please ring the Parish Office 9456 2450 for more details.



SAVE THE DATE ~ Bernie's Ladies final event for 2024 Our event for Term 4 will be a morning tea. Please mark your diary to join us On: Sunday November 24 @ 11am At: Savvy Coffee (*)

Location: 381 Pacific Highway, Asquith.

Please **RSVP** your intention to come along by **Wednesday November 20** to Gen at david@barnettsroad.com or call her on 0418 866 250.

As always, the ladies of St Bernard's warmly extend this invitation to ALL ladies from St Pat's to please join us. The goal of Bernie's Ladies is to build community at our church, you'll be warmly welcomed, please come along. (*) Savvy Coffee is a new and valued supporter of our parish bulletin (see back page).

SUNDAY November 24 after 10am Mass there will be a Cake Stall run by the Children's Choir. Monies raised go to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. Don't miss out!



Could you help by baking or cooking something? Cake, Slice, Quiche, jam maybe? Please write ingredients on the box (to accommodate allergies) and wrap your offering.

But please ... NO NUTS!



Remembrance Day

November 11th every year.

Remembering those who died for our freedom at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month

God our Father, your Son Jesus gave up His life to free us from the power of sin and death. He showed us that the greatest love is in giving up one's life for others. On November 11th, we will remember those who fought and died for our freedom. We ask you to bless and console them together with their families. Help us to understand the sacrifices they made in leaving their loved ones to face the horrors of war. May we never forget their generosity. May your Holy Spirit give us the courage to resist evil in all its forms and show us how to be peacemakers through prayer and action, lest we forget those who fought, suffered and died that we might have the freedom and peace we enjoy today. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



St Patrick's Primary School P&F Twilight Market

St Pat's P&F are inviting all parishioners and families of KCCP to this mini-event where we can come together as a community





Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

Thinking of joining the choir? There's still time to join us before Christmas! We have 3 Sundays left this year, so if you're in Year 3 or above, come practice with us on Fridays from 4 to 5pm at St. Patrick's Church.

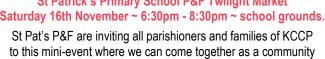
We sing at the 10am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. For more information, contact Patricia Smith on 9482 7935 or via stpatscchoir@gmail.com



is on Thursday 5 December. Pre-show activities 5.30pm, Carol show beings 7pm. This annual open air combined Churches of Berowra event is wonderful and well supported by the community. It is held at

Warrina St Oval, Berowra. Save the date! 5 Dec 2024.

You won't be disappointed.





and have some fun before the year is out.

This will be a simple market offering craft stalls, entertainment, food options and activities for the children.

If you would like to donate to the markets, we are looking for items such as handmade craft items; small plants and bakery items. If intending to donate, please contact Katie Barillaro by emailing pandfstpats@gmail.com, thank you.

Of course, you are more than welcome to simply support the markets, by coming along between 6:30pm - 8:30pm and making a purchase (or six lol!)~ remember Christmas is just around the corner!!.

NB: Please note, no parking is available in the school grounds on this date (Sat. 16 Nov. 2024)

Parish Youth are invited to attend Praise & Worship @ OLOD Chatswood: Fri. 15 Nov. 6-9pm Next Friday night, Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood will be

hosting a free PraiseFest event. Bookings are essential. To register, go to: Chatswood's Praisefest Pilgrims of Hope: Towards the Light Tickets, Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood, Chatswood | TryBooking Australia



Date: Friday, 15 Nov. 2024 Time: 4pm - 10pm Location: Our Lady of Dolours, 94 Archer Street, Chatswood Please contact Deacon Adrian if you would like transport:

adrian.gomez.youthministry@gmail.com



Next youth group. Sunday 17th November after 6pm Mass till 8.30pm @ St Pat's Asquith

Open to all youth Yr 9 to young adult (20yo). We will share food, games, music, social time, a short Alpha video for discussion and finish up with a prayer. All youth are warmly invited – please bring a friend! Parents and grandparents might like to encourage their young ones to try it out. To get involved or for more info, please email Deacon Adrian at adrian.gomez.youthministry@gmail.com

CAROLS EVENING Thursday 19th December, 7.30pm, St Patrick's Church, Asquith

Save the Date! Our whole parish Carols evening will be here in two shakes of a reindeers tail and it's not to be

missed! We would like as many parishioners as possible to come from both ends of the parish, to be united in solidarity and love of Our Lord and our one true faith. More info will follow closer to the big day.

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church				
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm	
Acolyte / Snr Server	Matthew Waite	Paul Dryden	Mani Subramany	Francis Lizardo	David Massa	Robert Pesavento	
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Harry Tod Archie Tod	Penelope O'Keefe Olive O'Keefe	Darius Ali Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Amy Francis Joshua Telford	Volunteer now Volunteer now	
Reader (1)	Mary Dorahy	Sarah Rumble	Edwina Subramany	Jim Fitzgerald	Sue Newnham	David De-Fina	
Reader (2)	Genevieve Funk	Paul Maher	Paul Worthington	Maria (Cris) Tolentino	Chris Newnham	Sub requested	
Sacristy / Cleaning / Flowers	Glenn Shapter, Annette Sl Cecilia Waite (f), Gwen We	,	Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Leticia Wee, Ben Edwards, Michelle Hwang (f))- (help always needed & appreciated)				
Maintenance	Team A & B - (help always	needed & appreciated)					

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*.

Parish Planner ~ November to December 2024

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N	Sun 24 November	after 10am Mass	Children's Choir Vinnies Cake Stall	St Patrick's Asquith
v	Fri 29 November	6pm	Volunteers Thanksgiving Dinner	St Bernard's Berowra Hts
D	Fri 6 December	3pm	Blessing of the boats followed by fish and chips on the shore	Brooklyn Marina
	Wed, 18 December	7:30pm	Second Rite of Reconciliation (Christmas)	St Bernard's Berowra Hts
	Thurs 19 December	7:30pm	Whole Parish Carol Evening	St Patrick's Asquith
E	Tues 24 December 5pm Christmas Eve Mass (ou		Christmas Eve Mass (outdoor, weather permitting)	St Bernard's Berowra Hts
M		6pm & 9pm	Christmas Eve Mass	St Patrick's Asquith
B		12am	Midnight Mass	St Patrick's Asquith
R	Wed 25 December	8am <mark>&</mark> 10am	Christmas Day Mass	St Patrick's Asquith
		9am	Christmas Day Mass	St Bernard's Berowra Hts

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talents, friendship and hard work to your schooling life and we want to take this

You have contributed your gifts,

To our HSC cohort of 2024, well done!

opportunity to congratulate you on your success in finishing your senior schooling. Be proud of all that you have achieved, and remember that it is more about the person you are, not the number you are going to receive. What you do next, is just the beginning of a great journey ahead. Be proud of your success.

Over time all things begin to 'wear' and this includes the Chasubles our priests 'wear'. I would like to start replacing the Green (Ordinary Time) and White (Easter) Chasubles soon and then consider replacing the remaining colours if funding permits. My thanks once again for your generous consideration of this request. Fr Biju.



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