



# KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay

11 August 2024 ~ Year B

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Entrance Antiphon:** Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

**Communion Antiphon:** O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.



*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.'*

### 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 Patrick's, Asquith

**8am** Wednesday and Friday  
**9am** Mon, Tues, Thurs, Saturday  
St Bernard's Berowra Heights

**8am** Thursday  
**9.15am** Wednesday and Friday  
(except 1st Friday of the month when Mass is at 11.30am @ St Bernard's)

### 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.*

### PARISH OFFICE

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## Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 15 August 2024

Is a Holy Day of Obligation

~ Mass times ~

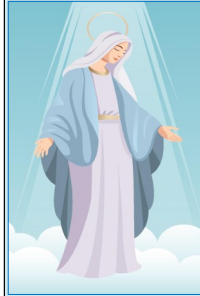
✚ St Bernard's Berowra Heights

9.15am Parish and Whole School Mass ~ all welcome

✚ St Patrick's Asquith

9am Parish and Whole School Mass ~ all welcome

& 7pm Parish Mass ~ all welcome



Dear Parishioners,

This Thursday, we celebrate the *Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*.

Mary's Assumption means that at the end of her earthly life, by the power of her Son's Resurrection, she was fully united to God in the totality of her existence, body, and soul.

In Mary, we see the great plan of the Father fulfilled where Christ was raised from the dead and would be joined in that new life by all who believe in him.

As St Paul teaches, this coming to new life in Christ would take place **"each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ"** (1 Cor 15,23).

From **"all who belong to him"** Mary holds first place as the first disciple and mother of the Lord. So, it is fitting that she should be the first to share fully in the Resurrection of her Son in body and soul.

**Mary's Assumption is a sign of hope for all humanity.** We look to her in hope for our future destiny in God and with God. Where she has gone, we hope to follow. Her present is tied to our future.

Jesus prayed, **"Father I want those you have given me to be with me where I am"** (John 17,24).

Mary's Assumption reminds us that God's infinite desire is that we be with him for all eternity.

He is the God who loves our company, a Father who loves his children and wants us to be with them forever.

This is our future and our fulfillment. Wishing you all a happy feast **Fr Biju OSH, PP**

Dear Parishioners,

It was one of my prayers and wishes to have a new Youth Group in our parish. Moreover, it was one of the priorities of our parish pastoral discernment sessions held in April 2024 to have a Youth Group in our parish (Priority 2: 2.2). Thanks be to God it has come into existence and last Sunday we had our first Youth Mass at 6pm at St Patrick's followed by a Youth Gathering.

It was lovely and they all actively participated under the direction of Dn Adrian. I urge all our parents and grandparents to encourage all our youths to join this group and become a shining light to our parish community. **Fr Biju**

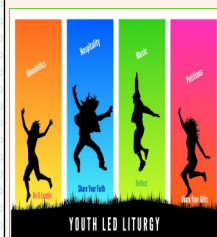
+ **NEW KCCP YOUTH MASS & YOUTH GROUP** +

We are building a new Youth Ministry in our parish come along and get inspired!  
All youth from Year 9 to young adult (23yo) are invited.

**NEXT YOUTH GROUP MEETING:**

**SUNDAY 18 AUGUST 7PM (AFTER MASS) TO 8.30PM @ ST PATRICK'S ASQUITH**

We will share food, enjoy games, music and social time as well as a short 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.

**NEXT YOUTH MASS & YOUTH GROUP :**  
**SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 6PM (MASS) TO 8.30PM**  
**@ ST PATRICK'S ASQUITH**

To get involved or more info. email Dn Adrian at [adrian.gomez@dbb.org.au](mailto:adrian.gomez@dbb.org.au)



*'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 August:**

**For Political Leaders.**

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

**Ordinary Time ~ Year B**  
**Monday 12/08**

Ezek 1:2-5, 24-28; Mt 17:22-27

**Tuesday 13/08**

Ezek 2:8 - 3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Wednesday 14/08 ~ Memorial**  
St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr

Ezek 9:1-7; 10:18-22;  
Mt 18:15-20

**Thursday 15/08 ~ Solemnity**

**The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Rev 11:19, 12:1-6, 10;  
1Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56

**Friday 16/08**

Ezek 16:1-15, 60, 63; Mt 19:3-12

**Saturday 17/08**

Ezek 18:1-10, 13, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Grace Italiano, Marie Haag, Rex D'Souza, Bishop Kevin M Manning DD,

**ANNIVERSARY:**

Gary Simpson, Christin Simpson  
**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Ruth Carlos, Grace Italiano, Leanne Scott, Ann Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Vince Hughes, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio, Fiona Loughland, Pat Bowden, Bill Holmes, Isabel Henson, Chris Enright, Mary Mathew, Chichi Datoc, Mary Burns, Philomena D'Souza, Rey Hilario, Georgina Hughes, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, John Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.



**FOUND: Small silver key on collection plate. Please contact the office if yours.**

**The 250 Club!**

Week 3 ~ 5/08/24

Winning #: 725

Amount: \$25.00



**Winner: Unsubscribed**



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**In fact, your 'Tap' is vital in helping the parish to 'Go'**

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## Readings

**First Reading 1 Kings 19:4-8**

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord', he said 'I have had enough. Take my life: I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

**The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**(R) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R)**
2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. **(R)**
3. Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. **(R)**
4. The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who revere him, to rescue them. Taste and see that the Lord is good. He is happy who seeks refuge in him. **(R)**

**Second Reading Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2**

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

**The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God**

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.



John 6:51

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**John 6:41-51**

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day.

It is written in the prophets: They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father.

I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes, has eternal life. I am the bread of life.

Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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### ATTENTION

**Pastoral Discernment North Shore Project has commenced!**

Please see the separate flyer included with this bulletin which explains Bishop Anthony's invitation for the People of God in the North Shore Deanery (that's us!) to engage in conversation and discern the particular needs of the North Shore community.

**Upcoming DATES: Briefing Circles ~** All North Shore community members are invited to a **Briefing Circle** on Thursday, August 15. During this one-hour online gathering, participants will learn more about the project and ways to participate. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and share their hopes. Two sessions are available, both covering the same content: the first session is scheduled for 11 am, and the second is at 7 pm. To register for the Briefing Circle gathering ~ contact the office for the link.

**Formation Opportunity; A Synodal Church ~** A formation and information session is being planned for the **23 August, with Mr Andrew Spiteri**. During this online formation session, participants will gain a deeper understanding of listening, discernment, and the Conversation in the Spirit methodology. This online gathering is open to all diocesan members, especially Clergy, leaders and Consultation Facilitators of the North Shore Deanery. To register for the **'A Synodal Church'** ~ contact the office for the link.





**CatholicCare's August Homelessness Appeal is this weekend.** CatholicCare provides a number of services to support the homeless or transient, including a women's refuge, transitional accommodation, young parents services and street sleeping outreach supports. They operate Dom's Place in Hornsby and Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy where they provide meals, a place to shower and wash clothes, and somewhere for people who are homeless / transient to connect with supports and community. **To assist their work, please use the envelope in the pews and place on either collection plate during any Mass.**



Approximately 70 parents attended the **Confirmation 'Parent Information Night'** at SBB Church last Tuesday evening.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Fr Brendan Lee (Moderator of the Cathedral Parish) who spoke brilliantly about building a relationship with God, the gifts of the Holy Spirit and Pentecost and his talk was well received by all who attended.

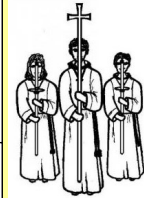
**Workshops begin this week for all candidates of the parish.**  
Please keep our Confirmation candidates in your prayers.



**ATTENTION**

**Number 45**

**Planned Giving Envelope.**  
Please contact the parish office  
*If you happen to notice the parishioner sitting next to you has envelope #45, please ask them to contact the office.*



**Junior Altar Server Training:**

Have you made your First Holy Communion?  
Yes!

Then you can become a **Junior Altar Server!**  
**Altar Server Training will take place at BOTH CHURCHES on Wednesday August 21, 2024 from 3.30pm - 4.45pm**

Parents/guardians will need to sign a Consent Form and commit to taking you to Mass when rostered to serve. You will be rostered for the weekend Mass you usually attend. Mr Vince Hughes (SBB) and Mr Malcolm Cross (SPA) will be conducting the training and ask you to meet them at your church of choice on the day.

Both gentlemen hold WWCC's, however, a parent/guardian is requested to stay with your child, thank you.

For a consent form and let us know you are coming, please email the parish office. **Fr Biju.**



**Students of St Patrick's School** joined our daily Mass-goers for a wonderful celebration of Australia's First Saint, **St Mary of the Cross Mackillop** last Thursday 8 August 2024.

What a lovely, warm celebration of the Mass which featured a beautiful reflection by students from Stage 1.

*(That's Year 1 & 2 to us old folk! or 1st & 2nd Class / Grade for the even older again! :)*



**"The Search"**

is a video-based program designed to enkindle wonder as it takes people on a journey through life's enduring questions!

Why not take a look here:

<https://youtu.be/QOwZFL5Wpj8?si=Pnng2p8DQ6V08Ln>

This is a 7 session series exploring life and faith for Christians old and new to our faith!

**Please note change of starting date:**

The programme will now begin on **22 August** at **Asquith**, (not August 15 which is the Solemnity of the Assumption) details will follow soon.

Enquiries to Sue on 0400 300 598.



**"It takes a parish to raise a Christian"**

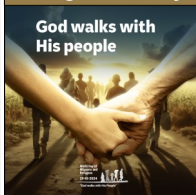
The Adult Christian Initiation team hosted a welcome gathering for new members of our community last Thursday night.

Please pray for all enquirers as we move forward.

You are invited to join 'The Search' (see left) to accompany those seeking answers about life and faith.

Enquiries to Sue on 0400 300 598.

**Refugee Sunday**



**Save the Date: Refugee Sunday 29 September 2024**

Your Pastoral Parish Council is organising a multicultural day to celebrate all the different ethnic cultures here in our community. We envisage a day of celebrating the different backgrounds through food, dance and costume and we would love for you all to participate and come celebrate with us. If you would like to help us by getting your group together I would love to meet with you all to answer any questions and to plan together.

Some of the cultures I am aware of are: Australians, Samoans, Indian, Filipinos, Malaysians, Africans, South Americans, Tongans, Thai, Chinese, Korean, South African, Vietnamese, Irish, English, .....yet, I am positive there are more groups I am not aware of and I would like to touch base with as many cultures as possible. It is hoped this event will increase the community spirit within our parish by celebrating diversity in faith across the globe and as a bonus, we also hope to raise some much needed funds for our youth activities.

I look forward to your help and cooperation, Moauli Griffiths (PPC Vice Chair) 0451 664 592.

**Save the Date: 29 September 2024**

**MULTICULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL**



**Children's Choir @ St Patrick's**

Our parish is blessed with a wonderful children's choir, where our young people are welcomed into the heart of the spiritual life of the parish, and learn and grow in their faith in a very active way. As St Mary MacKillop says, we have much to be thankful for, finding happiness in making others happy.

Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass twice a month on 2nd and 4th Sundays, and practises on Fridays after school from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. All welcome from Year 3 and older. Contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935 for further information.



|                                | 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   | John Messina                   | Malcolm Cross                       | Vicente Sanchez                |
| Altar Servers<br>Altar Servers | Martha Askew<br>Piper Thompson                                       | Joshua Rumble<br>Miranda Tablizo | Volunteer now<br>Volunteer now   | Volunteer now<br>Volunteer now | Rishona Gonsalves<br>Joshua Telford | Volunteer now<br>Volunteer now |
| Reader (1)                     | Francesca Parrino  | School                           | Sue Watts  | Maria (Cris) Tolentino         | Jo Quinlan                          | Sue Lum                        |
| Reader (2)                     | Jerome Gomez   | School                           | Edwina Subramany   | Jim Fitzgerald                 | Sandra Maloney                      | Sub requested                  |
| Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers      | Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter,<br>Cora Marques (f), Chichi Dato (s) |                                  | Sue O'Malley, Mary O'Malley, Sue O'Malley, John O'Malley. Leanne Barbour (f)<br>(help always needed & appreciated) |                                |                                     |                                |
| Maintenance                    | Team A & B -(help always needed & appreciated)                       |                                  | August - Luke Massa, David Mooney -(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*.

## Wills, Enduring Guardianship and Powers of Attorney



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**Cecilia Castle on Tuesday, 20 August 2024  
(10.30am to 12.30pm)**

**at The Epping Club, Epping.**

To know more,  
please send an email to [events@bbccatholic.org.au](mailto:events@bbccatholic.org.au)



**Presenter  
Cecilia Castle**

Principal of Castle Lawyers, will present and answer questions from her legal expertise of over

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