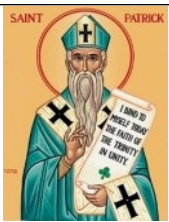


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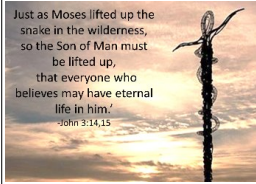
Diocese of Broken Bay

11th March 2018

4th Sunday of Lent Year B

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

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



Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. - John 3:14,15

Jesus tells Nicodemus that **the Son of Man will be raised up so that those who believe in him will have eternal life.** Today's Gospel ...consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus' reply to Nicodemus, the Pharisee who approached Jesus at night. Nicodemus acknowledged

Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. ... Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus. In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus ..., Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented

and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses' prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

The second part of today's Gospel is a theological reflection on Jesus' words to Nicodemus. ... In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation. In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. **Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven.** This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives... 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)

Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish & 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
The school would love to display any memorabilia you have, however, it must be clearly labelled for easy return, contact the school office for more details.

NB: There will be NO 6pm MASS on 17/3/2018 and there will be NO PARKING in School grounds.

PROGRAMMES on offer @ KCCP during LENT 2018



The Light is On for You ~

Did you know that every Catholic is asked to go to Confession at least once a year? If it has been a while, you're not alone!

Lent is the perfect time to go to Confession. God doesn't need us to be perfect in order to love us; but God does need us to trust in God's love and mercy. To help you do this, churches across the Diocese of Broken Bay will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Friday evenings during Lent. **St Patrick's Church Asquith is open on Fridays from 7-8pm.**

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
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

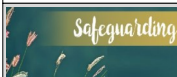


Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Bernard's Berowra Heights:

Continue 8.30am every Friday morning followed by Holy Mass.



Lenten Reflection programme 'Lifted Up' continues every Thursday evening during Lent. All welcome. See inside page for full details.



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**

4th Week of Lent Year B

Monday 12/03

Weekday, 4th week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

Weekday, 4th week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Ezek 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16

Wednesday

Weekday, 4th week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

Weekday, 4th week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47;

Friday

Weekday, 4th week of Lent
Mass of the day, Preface of Lent I-IV
Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

St Patrick, bishop
Mass of the Solemnity,
Gloria, Creed, Preface of Holy Pastors
Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49;
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20(Lect., vol.1,p.979)

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Peter McGrath CP,
Maria Dinh Thi Ren,
Nini Hilario Bagawisan,
Des Randall, Myrna Rodriguez.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Phyllis Bernardino,
B K (Pat) O'Malley,
Anthony Fernandes,
Neville Nicholson.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Jean Cook, Frank McLenaghan,
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, Barbara Jones,
Patricia Sanders, Cadia Maestri,
Monique Leyden, Robert Conlon,
Patrick Dorahy, Alfredo De Ramos
Sr, Barbara & Frederick Novak,
Tom & Moya.

Please Note:

Names on our prayer lists are
deleted at the end of each month,
unless you notify the pastoral centre.

**Preach the Gospel
at all times.**

**If necessary, use words.
St Francis of Assisi.**



Lifted Up continues this week.

Where: Fr Pat McMaugh Hall, in the grounds of St Patrick's School, Asquith

When: Remaining Thursday evenings of Lent, March 15 & 22

Time: 7.30pm

It isn't too late to join ! Please join us and prepare to be Lifted Up at Easter.



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. **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. 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 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 during this special Mass.

If you wish to participate please arrive by 6.15pm for rehearsal prior to Mass.

For more information please contact Bella Jakubek Bella.Jakubek@dbb.org.au.

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:

People Pleasing—I can't please everyone always. There is only one I need to strive to please.

Distraction—Life is filled with distractions that will take our eyes off the prize.

Entitlement—The world does not owe me anything. God does not owe me anything.

I live in humility and grace.

Comparison—I have my own unique contribution to make and there is no one else like me.

Retirement—As long as you are still breathing, you are here for a reason.

You have a purpose to influence others for Christ. Our work is not always tied to a pay check.



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 4** is Evangeline, **Australia** where Caritas supports Djilpin Arts, providing training and opportunities for young people in the community.



Senior Parish Choir will be rehearsing on Monday 12 March at St Patrick's church at 9.30am. New singers always welcome - no age limit whatsoever!

Select Choir (a division of the parish Children's Choir) will present 'Journey to the Cross' - an evening of music, Scripture and reflections depicting the Passion of Christ, on Friday evening 23 March at 7pm in St Patrick's church.

This powerful and moving event is not to be missed. Supper to follow.

Rehearsals for Easter Triduum music at St Patrick's are already under way - come and join us for some great music-making and fantastic fellowship.

Wednesdays 14 and 21 March at St Patrick's church at 7.30pm.

Parish musicians, singers and instrumentalists, are invited to be part of **St Patrick's school 60th anniversary Mass at 5pm on Saturday 17 March.**

Please RSVP to Patricia Smith 9482 7935 so music can be prepared for you.

Rehearsal from 4pm on the day.

For details on any of above contact Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.

Parish Liturgy Committee: During the week a meeting was held, together with a light supper, to thank all members for their many years of commitment to the parish liturgy. Some parishioners have been part of this committee for upwards of 10 years! *All positions have now been declared vacant and the way forward is still being considered by Fr Shaju.*

Holy Week Schedule

Mass

Passion/Palm Sunday-
Passion of the Lord

Time and Location

Saturday 24 March 2018

5pm St Bernard's

6pm St Patrick's

Sunday 25 March 2018

8am St Patrick's

9am St Bernard's

10am St Patrick's

6pm St Patrick's

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper
Washing of the feet

Thursday 29 March 2018

7.30pm St Patrick's

7.30pm St Bernard's

Please return Project Compassion boxes & gifts for the poor

(No morning Mass)

followed by Adoration till 10.00pm

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Good Friday

Solemnities

Friday 30 March 2018

10am St Patrick's

10am St Bernard's

3pm St Patrick's

3pm St Bernard's

Solemn Stations of the Cross

Followed by Reconciliation till 11.30am

Solemn Stations of the Cross

Followed by Reconciliation till 11.30am

Passion of the Lord

Passion of the Lord

Easter Vigil

Saturday 31 March 2018

7pm St Patrick's

7pm St Bernard's

(No morning Mass)

Easter Sunday

Sunday, 1 April 2018

8am St Patrick's

9am St Bernard's

10am St Patrick's



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 Sun. 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..

ALPHA 2018 ~

**Continues this Monday 12 March, 6.30pm
at St Bernard's, Berowra at the Pastoral Centre**

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.

This week we will be watching two videos followed by discussion as we share a meal.

Why Did Jesus Die?

How Can I Have Faith?

Please come along and join us.



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

Divine Mercy Novena at St. Bernard's Church Berowra

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:

Good Friday: (Adoration of the Cross 3pm)—**Divine Mercy Novena begins immediately after.**

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: for Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated at 5pm



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMENT: (Paul Cramsie)

Children as young as 12 years old are picking cocoa in

A selection of Slavery-Free Chocolates available in Australian shops this Easter

West Africa to make **the chocolate we eat**. Some of these

children are trafficked. Most are forced to pick cocoa from an early age for minimal or no wages, for long hours, in dangerous working conditions, without any possibility of attending school. Most of these children have never tasted chocolate and they never will.

To help combat this, please consider joining with millions of people around the world who

now **buy and eat only slavery-free chocolate**. To buy slavery-free Easter chocolate look for any of these certification labels on the wrappers:

FAIRTRADE, Rainforest Alliance and UTZ



You may have read the spiritual classics and stories told by others, but you may never have had the opportunity to write your own spiritual story.

A day facilitated by Dr Peter Mudge, why not come along and write your own story.

No previous writing experience is necessary.

Date: Thursday 15 March

Time: 9am for a 9.30 start.

Concludes at 3.30pm.

Cost: \$30 Morning Tea provided, BYO Lunch.

See noticeboards for details.

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 17/18 March — 5th Sunday of Lent

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


Jer 31: 31-34; Heb 5: 7-9; Jn 12: 20-33



KU-RING-GAI CHASE
CATHOLIC PARISH
Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia

St Bernard's Church

St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)

	5.00pm	9.00am	5.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
	Fr Shaju John	Fr Shiju Simon	Bishop Comensoli	Fr Shaju John	Fr Shaju John	Fr Shiju Simon
Acolyte/Snr Server	Justin Berry	Vince Hughes	School to organise	Sue Lum	David Massa	Vince Sanchez
Server	Karina Bednarz Megan Chung Molly Summerhayes	Preston Nguyen Freya Tonkin Isaac Tonkin	School to organise 	Phillip Daidone Conor Collins	Anna Francis Chloe Starling Joshua Mitchell William Trist	Enzo Alarcon
Reader	Alysha Berry Donna Machado	Peter Collins Denise Harant	School to organise	Dan Leavy Michael Halliday	Deborah de Voss Mary Stokes	Craig Elliott Justin Elliott
Children's Liturgy	18th March Marta C-F		March 18th 2018— Christina G & Catherine C			
Communion to Sick	Isabel Henson, not filled!		Millie Wong, Cynthia Gilbertson			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Glen & Annette Shapter, Marlene Maloney(f), Gisela Muschal(s)		Lyn Vila, Angie Pulanco, Leala Fowler, Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer			
Maintenance	Teams B		March: David Hartmann, Matthew Tancred, Gerry Duffy			
Counters	Ruth Maher, Philip Turner		Bill Smitheram, Henning Schneider, Coral Thaddeus			


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: 26/02/18: \$500.00**
and the winner is P McAleer
Wk 11 is yet to be determined.

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

Events to Easter 2018

The Light is on for You - with 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

Alpha Monday evenings from 6.30 pm @ 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
- * Ashes to Easter - Concert-Reflection - Peter Kearney composer of 'Fill My House' & 'The Beatitudes' Chatswood Parish 24/03/18.
- * 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)