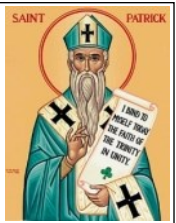


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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



Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 13th May 2018 ~ The Ascension of the Lord ~ Year B

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 4:1-13 or Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20

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'



Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. During his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.

(Loyola Press)

Today Jesus speaks those same words to us. He also calls us to proclaim the good news to everyone we meet. We may do it through our words and our actions. Maybe our care and attention to individuals will heal them of their loneliness. Perhaps by noticing the individual and engaging in conversation with them, their "demon" may no longer have such great power over them. Today Jesus calls us to "proclaim the good news." Will we answer his call?

(Sr K A Harpenau, OSB)

[another reflection on The Ascension can be found on top of pg 2]

MOTHER'S PRAYER

[author unknown]

Dear Lord,
it's such a hectic day,
With little time to stop and pray,
for life's been anything but calm,
since You called me to be a mum...

Running errands, matching socks,
building dreams with matching blocks,
cooking, cleaning and finding shoes
and all those things that young ones lose,
fitting lids on bottled bugs,
wiping tears and giving hugs,
a stack of last week's mail to read—
So where's the quiet time I need?

Yet as I go to bed each night,
my heart is filled with true love's light
as I take one last peek, I see,
this treasure you have given me—
God's own sweet blessing sleeping there,
the answer to a Mother's Prayer.

To all our Mums, Grandmothers and any other special women who are, or have been in our lives, thank you for everything you have done for us.



Invitation

You are cordially invited to a very special parish event

the Installation of Fr Shaju John OSH as Parish Priest of Ku-ring-Gai Chase Catholic Parish

When: Sunday 27 May

Time: 10am Mass

Where: St Patrick's Asquith

Presider: Bishop Peter A Comensoli

Very Important Person: Our very own Parish Priest, Fr Shaju John OSH

This will be an important celebration of unity and thanksgiving for all the parish as it will mark the first time in 7 years that our parish will have an actual Parish Priest of our own.

We would love to have as many parishioners as possible attend this very special mass.

There will be a celebratory barbecue after Mass in the parish hall and you are asked to bring along a plate to share, perhaps a salad, quiche, pasta dish, fried rice etc etc.

Fr Shaju looks forward to greeting you all on the day as you celebrate this milestone with him.

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Parish Priest Fr Shaju John, OSH
Assistant Priest Fr Shiju Simon, OSH
Parish Secretary Margaret Cooper
Bookkeeper Karen Price
Youth Ministry Co-ord. Michelle Chahine
School/Parish Liturgy L. Patricia Smith
Sacramental Team kccpsacraments@gmail.com

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)

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS
and PRAYERS**

The Ascension of the Lord Year B

7th Week of Easter

Monday 14/05

St Matthias, apostle
Mass of the feast, Gloria
Preface of Apostles I-II
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Tuesday 01/05

Tuesday of the 7th week of Easter
Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II
Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11

Wednesday

Wednesday of the 7th week of Easter
Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II
Acts 20: 28-38; Jn 17:11-19

Thursday

Thursday of the 7th week of Easter
Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II
Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday

Friday of the 7th week of Easter
Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II
Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

Saturday of the 7th week of Easter
Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II
Acts 28:16-20,30-31; Jn 21:20-25

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Greg Glanz, Moya Dawson

ANNIVERSARIES:

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Ewa Rakoczy, Barbara Halliday,
Jean Cook, Morrie Ramsden,
Betty Borg, Frank McLenaghan,
Edwina Subramany, Aiko
Concepcion, John Messina, Brian
Neary, Darcy Green, Ellen
Asistente, Alfredo De Ramos,
Marcelina De Ramos, Patricia
Pascuzzo, Sam Calacoci,
Matthew Conlon, 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 Dawson

OTHER:

Annalise & Ella's relatives and
special friends

... The mysterious feast of the Ascension reminds us that Christ accepts our lack of self-confidence in ourselves. He accepts the shadowy and dark areas of our humanity. He accepts our capacity for deceit, betrayal, greed and power. And having accepted us, he calls us, gives us the eternal commission to be his people, and sends us to serve him and love him, in spite of ourselves and because of ourselves. John Henry Cardinal Newman said it well long ago:

*He calls us again and again, in order to justify us again and again-
and again and again, and more and more, to sanctify and glorify us.
It were well if we understood this; but we are slow to master the great truth,
that Christ is, as it were, walking among us, and by his hand, or eye, or voice,
bidding us follow him.*

Let's get going and carry a piece of heaven into the world. This is the meaning of the Resurrection and the Ascension of our Lord, not one of divine abandonment of the human cause, but divine empowerment of the Gospel dream! May Christ's dying and rising move us to make God's glory dwell on earth. May our hope for the future inspire us in a respect for the present moment. May the desire for the heavenly realities not make us neglect our work on earth.

Fr Thomas Rosica, CSB CEO Salt + Light Catholic Television Network

Ann Rennie is one of Australia's internationally bestselling, award-winning authors. She is a speaker of distinction. These words in the *Melbourne Age* are inspiring and reflective with faith development of young children.

Mary, mother of Jesus of Nazareth, is revered as mother of the Church. Her love for her child shines through 2000 years of history, a love that survived great chasms of despair and touched heaven in it's utter selflessness. As the mortal mother of Jesus, she would have sung him to sleep, cuddled him, kissed him better as he tumbled in toddler hood, sought to understand him as her own flesh and blood.

She fled with her family to Egypt to escape Herod's slaughter of male children. She looked for Jesus in the Temple as he amazed the rabbis with his knowledge of the scriptures. She was there at the wedding feast of Cana where her son changed water into wine. She was there at the foot of the cross as he died. She held his broken body to her breast, her sorrow immortalised in Michelangelo's La Pietà.



Over the centuries, her image has inspired artists. She is clothed in blue her face in serene response; She is Murillo's Madonna ascending on a fleecy cloud to her celestial home. She is also hard-working, poor devout Jewish women whose skin would have been exfoliated by desert sand whose hands would have sewn garments and planted crops and kneaded and gleaned and threshed. At her knee the young Jesus would have learned about his faith, woven as it was into the very fabric of their existence. He would have become accustomed to the prayers and stories and rituals of the chosen people.

My mother taught me the prayers and stories and rituals of my people. I learned grace before meals, the stories of the saints, and whispered my small sins at confession. My grandmother taught me the mysteries of the rosary, and gave me tuppence to light the candles at St Francis' in the city. Those stubby little candles represented my efforts at prayer; a bit of wheedling, some thanks and praise, an attempt at deal making about some homework. And a pious amen. We speak often of our fathers in faith. But in the home it is often the mother who makes sure prayers are said. It is the mother whose active example hands on faith. For children, a mother's actions and devotions, her daily attitude to God in her life, are discernible before they can fully comprehend their own religious heritage, before they can grasp God for themselves. In Mary's prayer of praise, the Magnificat, she rejoices that all generations will call her blessed.

*On Mother's Day, we remember this first woman of faith,
and all mothers who keep the faith and pass it on, with love, to the next generation.*



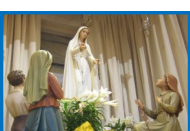
Children's Choir would like to wish all our mothers a wonderful Mother's Day, and thank them for all their support and hard work on behalf of the Choir, providing transport and suppers and making it possible for us to be here making our Masses so much more exciting and inspiring for everyone!

Children's Choir practises from 4 to 5pm every Friday during school terms and sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. New members are always welcome, from Year 3 and up. Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

All parish musicians, all ages, will be joining together to make the Mass for Fr Shaju's installation as parish priest at 10am on 27th May a very special celebration. Practice before Mass from 9am.

Senior Parish Choir All members are invited to join the combined choir for Fr Shaju's installation Mass on 27th May at St Patrick's. Practice before Mass from 9am.

Scholarships for young musicians willing to make a commitment to regular participation in weekend Masses are offered every year by the parish. To apply or for further details contact the parish office parishkccp@dbb.org.au. Enq: Pat Smith 9482 7935 or the office.



TODAY, Sunday 13 May (Fatima Day) please stay with us for

Oz Rosary #53 as we

Pray for the Protection of Australia, after all Sunday Masses

Mary said to the children at Medjugorje that the rosary would work miracles in their lives.





CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL CONTINUES
and it's 100% tax deductible !



The 3rd and final CWF Appeal for the 2017 / 18 financial year continues this weekend May 12 / 13

As the end of financial year approaches could you benefit from a 100% tax deduction? Then, donate to the CWF Appeal today and provide funding for 5 important works of the Diocese of Broken Bay

Above all, please remember your ongoing support to the CWF (great or small), is greatly appreciated and I sincerely thank you for giving whatever you can. Fr Shaju.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 13-20 May

The week of 13 – 20 May 2018, between Ascension and Pentecost, is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme is "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power", from the triumphant song of Moses and Miriam in Exodus 15:1-21. The theme also reflects the saving action of God through Christ.

We pray:

God of love, you created us in your image and have redeemed us in Christ.
God of glory, you are all-powerful, yet in Jesus you chose to make your home in a human family, and in the waters of Baptism have adopted us as your children.

Help us to strengthen the bonds of communion with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

God, One in Three Persons, in Christ you have made us one with you and with one another.

By the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit, free us from self-centredness, arrogance and fear that prevent us from striving towards the full visible unity of your Church.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord,

Amen.



Make sure your hair is combed ... it's time for the

ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT

Every year in May a count of all parishioners is taken at all weekend Masses and a report returned to the Diocese of BB.

The count continues this weekend, and we trust this will be undertaken with minimal devotional disturbance. Thank you for your understanding.



Safeguarding Message: May ~

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults is a practical living out of the baptismal vocation of every member of the Church to ensure the safety and well-being of those whom the Lord sets before us as those to whom the 'Kingdom of God belongs' (Mt 19:14).



Pope Francis' Prayer

Intention for May ~ Evangelization The Mission of Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.



Launch of Plenary Council 2020 at Pentecost

Plenary Council 2020 offers an opportunity to discover and discern, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the future course for the Church in Australia. It is time to ask "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" The Plenary Council has the potential to open up new horizons within ourselves and our Catholic communities, and to discern ways to live our faith anew in contemporary Australian society. It will decide and legislate on matters that will shape and impact upon generations of Australian Catholics to come.

Preparations for the national process are underway, with the launch of the Plenary Council at **Pentecost, Sunday 20 May.**

Together, we are on a journey of listening to God by listening to one another. All Australians are invited to engage in an open and inclusive process of listening, dialogue and discernment about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

Visit www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for more info. or contact Pina Bernard from the DBB Plenary Council Working Group. Ph: 8379 1627 or pina.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au



Our library at St Patrick's is back and is located near the statue of

St Joseph. There are a lot of books that help us understand and deepen our faith, and many books on people's testimonies on the impact of accepting Jesus in their lives. Also on offer are CDs of talks given by prominent preachers, some of whom were Evangelical Protestants before their conversion to Catholicism, as well as interesting talks on the Mass and the Eucharist in particular. There are some CDs by Theologians giving us the gist of Pope Francis' books and are available for purchase at \$5 ea. They will be on display this weekend.

Come On Join The Club!

The 250 Club!

SERIES ONE HAS FINISHED

Series 2 starts on 14 May... that's this week

If you haven't done so already, now is the time to pay for Series 2.

Please organise for your \$20 to be paid to the parish office asap. Payment can be placed in an envelope on the plate with your details and numbers clearly noted or contact the parish office to pay via direct debit or credit card.

Did you know that during Series 1 we paid out \$1,650 to lucky winners and the \$500 jackpot draw went off 3 times out of 4 !

Numbers available why not try your luck !

For more information on how The 250 Club works and how you can join in please call the parish office on 9456 2450 and speak to either Marg or Karen.

Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish Fundraiser



Mother's Day Guessing Competition

Win your mum a beautiful vase filled with chocolates & lollies. One gold coin buys you one guess.

Winners will be notified by phone on Monday 14 May.

Tickets on sale after every weekend mass @ Asquith & Berowra for the next two weeks



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CATHOLIC PARISH
Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 19th / 20th May—Pentecost Sunday

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

Acts 2:1-11; Gal 5:16-25 or 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 15:26-27, 16: 12-15 or Jn 20:19-23

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	Alex Jarominek	Mani Subramany	Sandra Sparkes	David Massa	Vince Sanchez
Server	Megan Chung David Russell Arabella Stewart	Alex Rogers Bridie Savage Bronte Tonkin		Phillip Daidone Conor Colins	Annah Francis Chloe Starling Joshua Mitchell William Trist	Enzo Alarcon
Reader	Justin Berry Alysha Berry	Peter Collins Peta Tonkin	Lea Fogden Sub. Req.	Nick Bernan Christine Berman	Deborah de Voss Hayley Rodrigues	Craig Elliott Justin Elliott
Children's Liturgy	May 20, 2018, Marta C-F		May 20, 2018 Nicola D, Sarah C & Luke A			
Communion to Sick	Garth Graham, Michael O'Neill		Penny Loughland, Janette O'Brien			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Glenn & Annette Shapter, Marlene Maloney (f), Gisela Muschal (s)		Marie Bright, Imm Lui, Jeanette Hester, Deirdre Lethbridge, Anthony Drake (Saturday)			
Maintenance	Team A: Peter, Paul, Mark, Tony		May: Bill Holmes, Bill Hester, John Hajduk			
Counters	Ruth Maher, Philip Turner		Chris Newnham, Jan Bennett, Angela Smith			

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

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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.

* **ALPHA 6** — a special journey of faith with our Year 6 students at SBB
 * **CWF Final Appeal** for 2017/18 financial year - *please provide whatever you can*

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

* [Palms Information Sessions](#) Parramatta and Sydney in May.
 * Life Marriage & Family Weekly Notice 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

250 Club: Wk 20: \$500

7/5/18 - # 570
unsubscribed

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