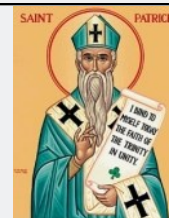


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Diocese of Broken Bay

14th January 2018

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Here am I, Lord.

1 Sam 3: 3-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20; Jn 1: 35-42



Although the liturgical season of Ordinary Time begins this week, today's reading continues with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, which concludes the Christmas season. Today's reading from the Gospel according to John immediately follows

John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus and his identification of Jesus as the Lamb of God. Having been baptized by John, Jesus begins to gather followers. The first followers sought out Jesus because of the testimony and witness of John the Baptist.

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We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other follower came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah. Andrew then brings his

brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him *Peter*, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels. In the exchange between Andrew, the other disciple, and Jesus, we see an example of the usual pattern for first-century Jewish rabbinical schools. Jews sought out rabbis and established themselves as disciples of a particular rabbi. Jesus appears to have been unique in that he sought out individuals, inviting them to be his followers. In the passage that follows, John's Gospel tells us how Jesus took the initiative in calling Philip and Nathanael.

Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciple, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question, and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God.

What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus? 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- 10.30am Adoration

St Bernard's 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 9.10am Mass at St Bernard's,

(except First Friday—see above)

'COME AND SEE'

Jesus' invitation to 'Come and See' is a powerful image in this week's gospel.

It is not a simple reply to the question of where Jesus is living; in some ways it is a summary of his whole ministry – come and see what I am on about and become part of it.

It is typical of the invitational nature of Jesus' ministry. Throughout the gospels, Jesus offers and invites, he does not force his ministry onto anyone. When he invites us to 'Come and See' it is an invitation to 'give it a go'; take a chance; let go of what we know.

To 'Come and See' is exactly what Jesus invited the apostles to do. In this week's reading, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, takes up the invitation and becomes a follower of Jesus. He is so impressed with what he sees in Jesus that he finds his brother and tells him that they've found the Messiah and that Simon should come and join them. Jesus immediately gives Simon a new nickname: the Rock (Peter). There are many instances throughout the Bible of people taking or being given new names. Abram became Abraham; Jacob became Israel; Saul became Paul. This change of name is used as a sign that they have encountered God in a special way and have taken on a new life – a new commitment to God. In this instance, Simon is becoming a disciple of Jesus, a trusted and influential one at that. Unlike the call of Samuel in today's first reading, in which the call to discipleship is heard as a booming voice, Andrew and Simon experience the call through personal encounter with Jesus. A booming voice from the sky might be helpful, but for most of us the call comes in much more subtle ways through our prayer and reflection on interaction with others. © Greg Sunter



ALPHA 2018~ Beginning Sunday 4 March ~why not 'Come and See'

Begin your Alpha journey at Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Catholic Parish.

You're invited to 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.

Alpha 2018 will be held at St Bernard's Parish Hall in Berowra starting on Sunday 4 March following the 9am mass.

Join us for an informal morning tea and introduction to Alpha.

Then continuing every Monday night at 6.30pm on the following dates:

March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 9, 16, 22 (Day Retreat), 30; May 7, 14.



Are restricted and variable so please call ahead to check if the office is open. If the phone is unanswered leave a message and we'll get back to you as soon as we can.

REMEMBER: If in urgent need of a priest, the emergency number is: 0468 341 841.

Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish

REMEMBERS and PRAYS for....

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kenneth Tipping, Benedict Redfern, Samuel Fuda, Maureen Stone


ANNIVERSARIES: Rose Hayden

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: John Messina, Darcy Green, Brian Neary, Malcolm Cross, 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 Josen, Dcn 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.


ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 20/21 Jan.—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1: 14-20

|  <small>KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia</small> | St Bernard's Church | | St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904) | | | |
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| | 5.00pm | 9.00am | 6.00pm | 8.00am | 10.00am | 6.00pm |
| | Fr Shaju John | Fr Duck | Fr Duck | Fr Shaju John | Fr Shaju John | Fr Johnny |
| Acolyte/Snr Server | Sam Funk | Denis Steiner | Mani Subramany | Malcolm Cross | David Massa | Vince Sanchez |
| Server | Karina Bednarz Marissa Maatouk Molly Summerhayes | Liam Gallagher Alex Rogers Arabella Stewart | | Phillip Daidone Conor Collins | Annah Francis Chloe Starling Joshua Mitchell William Trist | Enzo Alarcon |
| Reader | Jerome Gomez Donna Machado | Peter Collins Peta Tonkin | Celia Cox Henning Schneider | Simone Noel Gerry Duffy | Elizabeth Fernandes David Massa | Craig Elliott Justin Elliott |
| Children's Liturgy | <i>In recess until February 2018</i> | | <i>In recess until February 2018</i> | | | |
| Communion to Sick | Chichi Dato, Isabel Henson | | Susie Gates, Sue Lum | | | |
| Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers | Glenn & Annette Shapter, Marlene Maloney(f), Anne Bourke(s) | | Sophie Kwok (f), Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Rosemary Pendlebury (Friday) | | | |
| Maintenance | Teams A & B. | | January: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Filso Sebastian | | | |
| Counters | Mark Birrell, Peter Formby | | Keith Loughland, Les Fogden, Alan Henson. | | | |

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 | What's happening in Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish |
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| <p>Rosary After weekday Masses both Churches</p> <p>Visit Housebound Fr Shaju John & Fr Shiju Simon 9456 2450</p> <p>Urgent sick calls Fr Shaju John 9456 7012 (Presbytery) Fr Shiju Simon 9476 8843 (Presbytery) Nursing Home Visits By request</p> <p>Emergency Priest 0468 341 841 (Out of office hours only)</p> <p>Clergy Days Off Fr Shaju John – Monday Fr Shiju Simon – Tuesday</p> <p>Home Visits For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests Please phone the Pastoral Centre 9456 2450.</p> <p>HOSPITAL ADMISSION: If you are admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services.</p> <p style="color: red;">Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre, if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">250 Club: Wk 2: 02/01/18: # TBA Wk 3: 09/01/18: # TBA</p> | <p style="text-align: center; color: red;">A snapshot of what's happening up to Easter 2018</p> <p>26 January: Australia Day // Republic Day India</p> <p>8 February: Opening School Mass at St Patrick's, Asquith</p> <p>14 February: Ash Wednesday</p> <p>February/March: The Light is on for You - Lenten Reflection & Reconciliation</p> <p>4 March: Alpha informal MT and introduction after 9am Mass @ SBB</p> <p>17 March: 60th Anniversary of St Patrick's School, Asquith</p> <p>1 April: Easter Sunday Alpha // Journey into Truth</p>  |

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

The 2nd Collection:

ESSENTIAL for our PARISH to FUNCTION FINANCIALLY

and goes to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance, telecommunications, wages, pastoral programmes, church and office expenses, the Priests' cars & petrol etc etc.

The 1st Collection: goes to a common fund **outside the Parish** to support priests.

The businesses below support our parish by advertising here. Please give them your support in turn.

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| <p>King Tide Café/Restaurant <i>Owned and operated by our very own</i> KCCP Parishioners John & Moauli Griffiths Open 7 days from 8am to 4pm <i>Come by Car by Boat or by Train</i></p> <p>Delicious food, fabulous service & exceptional views await YOU!</p> <p>Hawkesbury River Marina 9 Dangar Rd Brooklyn NSW (02) 9985 7102</p> | <div style="text-align: center;">  Nick Berman Your Local Area Specialist P. (02) 8914 8804 M. 0411 216 332 E. nickberman@mcgrath.com.au  </div> |
| <div style="text-align: center;">  Francesca Parrino Your Berowra / Berowra Heights Specialist P. (02) 9456 9999 M. 0415 651 740 E. francescaparrino@mcgrath.com.au  </div> | |