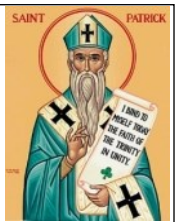


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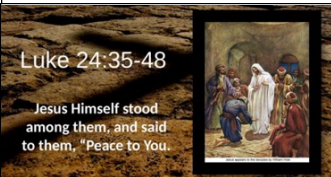
Diocese of Broken Bay

15th April 2018

3rd Sunday of Easter ~ Year B

Lord, let your face shine on us.

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5; Lk 24:35-48



(Loyola Press). On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus.

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "**Peace be with you.**" The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. ... Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. ...As further **proof of his identity** and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them...By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us **the significance of the Eucharist**. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the **Mass is an encounter with Jesus**, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As **Jesus commissions his disciples** to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, **we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.**



## PASTORAL CENTRE

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Assistant Priest Fr Shiju Simon, OSH  
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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)

## A Prayer of Discernment

Father of all Goodness, send on each of us your Holy Spirit,  
a spirit of understanding and wisdom, which helps us  
to look at the present with gratitude and the future with hope.

Help us to free ourselves from discouragement and  
from all kinds of resistance, opening us with courage and creativity  
to what the Church and the world need most.

Grow in us the desire of discernment, so that our communities can be places of  
sharing and dialogue, witnesses of your charity  
and able to respond with generosity to what you ask us in each moment.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



**ALPHA 2018 ~ Continues Monday 16 April, 6.30pm  
at the Pastoral Centre**

**beside St Bernard's Church, Berowra Heights**

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explores  
the basics of the Catholic Faith.

Come for a bite to eat, watch a video, have a chat and  
explore life's biggest questions.

## The Alpha Retreat Day

**will be held on April 21, 2018 at St Benedict's Parish, Arcadia.**

All past Alpha participants who have previously missed out on this important part  
of the Alpha course are welcome to join our present group for the retreat day.

If attending, please RSVP to Michelle before April 15 for catering purposes at  
michelle.chahine@dbb.org.au  
*Please come along and join us.*



**Project Compassion: PLEASE RETURN BOXES  
at the next Mass you attend**

Your generosity this Lent has empowered young people to build a just future  
for themselves, their families and their communities. **Please bring your  
donations back asap so we can forward the funds to those in need.**

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS  
and PRAYERS**

**3rd Week of Easter Year B**

**Monday 16/04**

Monday of the 3rd week of Easter  
Mass of the Day  
Preface of Easter I-V  
Acts 6: 8-15; Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday**

Tuesday of the 3rd week of Easter  
Mass of the Day  
Preface of Easter I-V  
Acts 7:51-8:1; Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday**

Wednesday of the 3rd week of Easter  
Mass of the Day  
Preface of Easter I-V  
Acts 8:1-8; Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday**

Thursday of the 3rd week of Easter  
Mass of the Day  
Preface of Easter I-V  
Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

**Friday**

Friday of the 3rd week of Easter  
Mass of the Day  
Preface of Easter I-V  
Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday**

Saturday of the 3rd week of Easter  
Mass of the Day  
Preface of Easter I-V  
Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Pranchupillai Antonympillai,

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Brian Fernandez

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:**

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 Josen, 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.

**THANKSGIVING:** 'Hanna'



**REFLECTION © Fr Michael Tate**

When Jesus appeared to them, the disciples thought they were seeing a ghost, a sort of projection of a human image on the screen of the world but with no human depth and vitality. In fact, ghosts seem to drain life and warmth from those they encounter.

The disciples became convinced that they were in the presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ when he assumed a characteristic way of acting – sharing a companionable meal (of fish).

His bodily presence of that sort is now withdrawn from us. But we are now encountered by him in the Mass which has many dimensions, one of which is that of a sacred meal. When we share in the sacramental signs of his Real Presence in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion, he brings us the life and warmth of the Risen Son.

In fact, he shares his very life with us, and because his life is gloriously fully human, we become less ghost-like as he heals those parts of our personality which drain goodness and vitality from the world.

We could take a moment to pray to take greater opportunities to share in the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord under the appearance of bread and wine. This will move us from the illusion of being alive to that vitality which is nourished by his glorified humanity.



**The Last Supper**

extract from Fr Shay Cullen,  
*The Far East* - March 2018 - p.8

... The meal of bread and wine, the Last Supper, the Eucharist, is much more than a farewell party, more than a religious rite and more than a religious obligation.

It's a unique event through which Christians experience His presence and during which the redemption of humankind that He brought about by his life, death and resurrection is re-enacted and renewed.

During the Eucharist we are called to be true and faithful disciples—to be another Christ. We are called to serve others as Jesus did—helping the poor, lifting up the downtrodden, releasing captives, healing the sick, challenging the causes of poverty and oppression, helping orphans and widows. This is the way to extend His presence and love in the world—through unselfish service.

A true disciple must take an active stand for the truth, justice and dignity of every person. The Eucharist not only gives us the spiritual power to embrace such principles but the courage to act for and on behalf of the abused, exploited, sick and the hungry.

Through faith in Jesus Christ we are one with God. When we break the bread and share the cup we celebrate this and commit ourselves to imitate Him and continue His mission to transform the world. Above all, the Eucharist is the living presence of Christ who is always with us.



**Gaudete et Exsultate – Rejoice and be Glad**

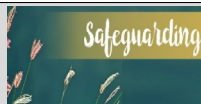
The newly released Apostolic Exhortation from Pope Francis, presents to us the call to holiness as a personal call for all Christians, and how we can respond in a practical way in our own times.

“We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves.”

Pope Francis encourages us to reflect on living the Beatitudes, which he calls “a Christian’s identity card”; and helps us to see the signs of holiness in today’s world through perseverance, patience and meekness; joy and a sense of humour; boldness and passion; in community; and in constant prayer. He says, "the Lord asks everything of us, and in return he offers us true life, the happiness for which we were created. He wants us to be saints and not to settle for a bland and mediocre existence."

Read the whole document at <http://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html>

[The new Apostolic Exhortation from Pope Francis on holiness *Gaudete et Exsultate* was published on 9 April].



**Safeguarding Message: April:**

A safe parish community is one that seeks the views of children and young people and takes into account their age, development, maturity, understanding and abilities and the different formats and means of communication they use.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April ~**

**For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters:**

*That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.*



**WEEKEND COLLECTIONS**

**The 2nd Collection:** Is **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.



## Thank you for your gift to the parish

A very generous donation covering the cost of 4 chalices has been received.

As some of our chalices were worn and in need of very expensive re-lining, investigations proved purchasing new ones would be more economical. The unexpected replacement cost being donated has realised a great saving to the parish. *They were blessed and used for the first time at the Easter Vigil Mass at St Bernard's.*

*May God bless you abundantly in every Mass offered with their use & always.*



Donations such as the above represent huge savings for the parish, and we are very grateful to have such wonderful parishioners who are able to assist in this way. To make a similar donation please speak to our priests or contact the Pastoral Centre.



### SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER "FIFTY YEARS OF ECUMENICAL ENGAGEMENT BY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH"

Father Gerard Kelly, will be celebrating Mass for Serra at **Sacred Heart Church 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on Thursday 19 April 2018.**

Format: Mass at **6.30pm** followed by a light meal then a talk by Fr Gerard on **"50 Years of Ecumenical Engagement by the Catholic Church"**. **Everyone is welcome**

*Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians and novices and for the perseverance of existing vocations.*

Ph: Terry on **0438 887 295** or E: [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com)

### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. This gathering of all the local churches or dioceses of the nation will invite us to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) The official launch of the Plenary Council will be at Pentecost this year, May 20. That gives us time to prepare, to "Listen to what the Spirit is saying" and to consider how we can take part in this important process.

### SCHOOLS OUT!

**It can't be !? Really !? No Way !?**

**Yep, Term 1 of the 2018 School Year is over !**

It's been 10 hot weeks and we know all our children, parents, and teachers alike are looking forward to a well deserved rest before Term 2 begins. *For those travelling, please go carefully & return to us safely.*

### BE AWARE AND TAKE EXTRA CARE:

From Monday, when our students are on school holidays, **plumbing works** will be carried out at **St Patrick's, Asquith**, to resolve recurring blockage problems with our toilets.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused and ask that you take care in the areas affected.

*This is a large expense for the Parish but one which, we know you will agree, must be undertaken.*



**Children's Choir** is in recess over the school holidays, so there will be no practice until Friday 4th May, at the usual time of 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month during school terms. Our next Mass will be on Sunday 13th May.

The Choir is always open to new members, from Year 3 and above from any school in the area. To join, come to our next practice, or check out the parish website for details.

**Young Musicians:** You are invited to apply for a parish Music scholarship which provides funds towards your music education expenses, plus a free mentorship in parish music ministry. Successful applicants are required to participate in music ministry in our parish at two weekend Masses per month. Scholarships are currently available in Keyboard, Choral Directing and other instruments. Contact parish office for Application Forms and further information. Enq: Patricia Smith 9482 7935.



**KCCP Youth Group** is back on this **Sunday April 15**, 7pm after the 6pm Mass!

Come and join in the Xbox games comp, meet up with friends or come purely for the food!! See you all there, *Michelle*. For any info email me at [michelle.chahine@dbb.org.au](mailto:michelle.chahine@dbb.org.au)

**Thanks from SVdP Youth** to everyone who came along for the charity screening of "A Wrinkle in Time." It was a huge success! With over 200 guests and 1,000 chocolates sold, we have raised approx. \$4000 all for "Room to Read". The whole event was a lot of fun and we can't wait to announce our next initiative!! Like us on Facebook to keep updated, thanks again! - **Luke and the Vinnies Team**



### Catholic Youth Broken Bay Volunteers & Supporters Thanksgiving Dinner

The Diocese is extremely blessed to have so many creative, talented and (most importantly) generous people who are so willing to help and serve. In the Year of Youth, we would like to acknowledge all of the leaders, volunteers and supporters of CYBB for their constant service.

So, it doesn't matter how much you think or don't think you've given or served, we cordially invite YOU to join us as we offer this thanksgiving dinner to all our amazing volunteers and supporters!

**Where:** Caroline Chisholm Centre, 423 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills

**When:** Friday, 27 April 2018, 6:30pm-9:00pm

**RSVP:** [youth@dbb.org.au](mailto:youth@dbb.org.au)

Kelly Paget, Team Leader, *Catholic Youth Broken Bay*



### Catholic Youth Broken Bay - Twilight Talks

Did God create the Universe, or was there a Big Bang? Find out why we say "yes" to both and how the glory of the Maker of the Stars can be found in understanding the science behind how He did it.

Catholic Youth Broken Bay invites you to Twilight Talks. Join Young Adults from around the Diocese to connect, share a meal, pray and be nourished by our very special guest Br Guy Consolmagno, Director of the Vatican Observatory, as he speaks on the 'Maker of the Stars'!

**Where:** Hotel Pennant Hills, 352 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills

**When:** Tuesday 24 April 2018, 6:30pm – 9:00pm

**RSVP:** [youth@dbb.org.au](mailto:youth@dbb.org.au)

Vatican Astronomer  
Br Guy  
Consolmagno SJ

**Saturday 28 April:**  
**"In Awe of the Universe:  
Connecting Science  
and Faith"**

10.00am – 12.30pm  
The Light of Christ  
Centre, Waitara  
RSVP:

[www.trybooking.com/UCJJ](http://www.trybooking.com/UCJJ)

# ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 21 / 22 April—4th Sunday of Easter

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

Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18



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CATHOLIC PARISH  
Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia

	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 James Duck	Fr James Duck	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Johnny
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Alex Jarominek	Malcolm Cross	Sue Lum	John Messina	Darrin Patterson
Server	Blayde Arthur Molly Summerhayes Adam Waite	Matthius McLoughlin Preston Nguyen Jake Scully	Jessica Pennings	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young Jimmy O'Connor	Lucy Triantafilis Madeleine Drake Chloe Thomas Jake D.	Ellen Rawsthorn
Reader	Jerome Gomez Sophia Smith	Peter Collins Denise Harant	Helen Chui Paul Worthington	Dan Leavy Millie Wong	Elizabeth Fernandes David Massa	Clarissa Baptista Michael Halliday
Children's Liturgy	May 6, 2018, Jackie T		May 6, 2018 Karen P, Belinda A & Kathleen Q.			
Communion to Sick	Isabel Henson, Michael O'Neill		Millie Wong, Cynthia Gilbertson			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Cecilia Waite(f), Ning Biyo, Reese & Peter Nguyen, Brenda Brooks(s)		Lyn Vila, Angie Pulanco, Leala Fowler, Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer			
Maintenance	Teams B: David, Phil, Denis, Justin, Chris, Ralph		April: Elroy Allen, <b>HELPERS NEEDED!</b> Please volunteer to form a group			
Counters	Genevieve Funk, Lyn Beacom, Luisa Gomez		Malcolm Cross, Jessie Long, Graham Palmer, Col Gilbertson			

**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 15: 02/04/18**  
**Winning #: 499 ~ \$500 Mr & Mrs Barry Cox**  
*Congratulations!*

## LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

**See inside pages for details of:**  
**KCCP Youth Group TONIGHT**  
 Sunday April 15, 7pm after the 6pm Mass @ St Patrick's.  
**Alpha Monday evenings from 6.30 pm @ SBB**

**ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:**

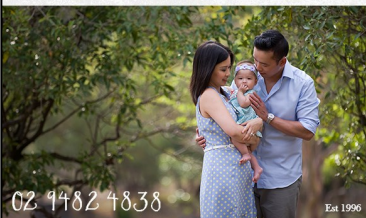
- \* Father Factor—practical things to do to build your relationship with your children. 3 opportunities during May.
- \* Men's Breakfast—12 May 2018 Berowra Heights.
- \* World Meeting of Families in Ireland – August 2018.
- \* Life Marriage & Family Weekly Notice from the DBB.
- \* Vocations Office 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](mailto:Vocations.Ministry@dbb.org.au)

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