

# **KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH**

#### Diocese of Broken Bay

# 15 September 2024 ~ Year B

#### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

**Communion Antiphon:** How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

#### 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

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8am Wednesday and Friday9am 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

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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.

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# Seek God, Find God, En

Émbrace 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'.

# Come Holy Spirit, Come !

Today, Sunday 15th September 2024, our Parish of Ku-ring-gai Chase celebrates the

# Sacrament of Confirmation

with 64 young candidates receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit from

Most Rev Robert McGuckin dd, McL, JCL

Bishop Emeritus of Toowoomba

Bishop Robert, we are very happy to have you with us on this special occasion, you are most welcome!



## My dear Parishioners and visitors to our parish,

After a long period of intense preparation, sixty four candidates are going to be conferred today by Bishop Emeritus Robert McGuckin.

I personally want to wish them all the best and pray that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit today and always.

Confirmation is one of the seven sacraments of the church by which Catholics receive a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Moreover, this single sacrament of Confirmation confers the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit upon the recipient and they are:

Wiadom ~ Makes us see all things in the light of God and impels us to see Him above all things

Understanding ~ Helps us understand the Word of God and the doctrines of the Faith

**Coursel** ~ Encourages us to follow the solution that most matches the glory of God and the good of others

**Fortitude** ~ Helps us to overcome difficulties with our Faith

Knowledge ~ Helps us see the world from God's perspective

 $ho_{iety}$  ~ Moves us to treat God with the trust with which a child treats their own Father and

Fear of the  $\ell ord$  ~ Compels us to flee from sin and always choose to please God

These gifts give us increased knowledge and understanding of Jesus Christ and His Church.

They really help us to practice our Catholic Faith in every aspect of our lives and to give witness to Christ in every situation. It is good to remember that these gifts are meant to bear fruit for ourselves and for others. May our candidates become true witnesses of our Lord Jesus Christ by spreading the Good News and defending the Faith through their words and deeds.

May God abundantly bless you children, now and always. Fr Biju PP

'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.'





 Entry/Exit by vehicle and foot is via Royston Pde ONLY.



Pope's intention for September: For the cry of the

Earth ~ We pray that each of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**Ordinary Time ~ Year B** Monday 16/09 ~ Memorial Sts Cornelius, & Cyprian 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10 Tuesday 17/09 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31; Lk 7:11-17 Wednesday 18/09 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 7:31-35 Thursday 19/09 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50 Friday 20/9 ~ Memorial Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn& Paul Chong Ha-sang. 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3 Saturday 21/09 ~ Feast St Matthew Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: John Ryan, Ian Upton, Joseph Ng, Brian Martin

ANNIVERSARY: Denis & Cristina Maciejewska, George De Souza, Harold De Souza, Jada & Leon Fellmann, Maria C Robinson, Kerrin Enright, Reg Cooper, Shirley Gray, Patrick & Dennise Labay

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Gina Ku, Louise Tong, Nora Carrigan, Sue Lum, Paul Lam, Ruth Carlos, Ann Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio, Pat Bowden, Vince Hughes, Georgina Hughes, Bill Holmes, Mary Burns, Chris Enright, Isabel Henson, Mary Mathew, Chichi Datoc, Philomena D'Souza, Patrick Dorahy, Rey Hilario, Roger Okell, John Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.



John Ryan Devout parishioner of 45 years

and devoted SVdP member, John passed away last Friday September 6th. Requiem Mass for John will be celebrated on Wednesday 18 September 2024 at 11am at OLOR, Waitara. Please keep John, his wife Philippa & family in your prayers.

# Readings

## First Reading Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me? All: Thanks be to God

The Word of the Lord

## **Responsorial Psalm**

- (R) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.
- 1. I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. (R)
- 2. They surrounded me, the snares of death, with anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! (R)
- 3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. (R)
- 4. He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. (R)

#### Second Reading James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him?

If one of the brothers or one of the If sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare

necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

#### Gospel Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this guestion to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this guite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ All:

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Bi-Annual OSH Appeal ~ concludes this weekend.

Dear Parishioners, we are so grateful to you for your valuable and generous support in the past years. The second or our two annual appeals concludes this weekend.

Envelopes remain in the pews for any last minute donations to our missionary works in two states of India—Punjab and Maharashtra.

Please place on either collection plate during Mass. Your priests, Fr Biju & Fr Joy OSH



An invitation to you all from a former priest of our parish, Fr Carmelo Sciberras: On 18th July, this year, Fr Carmelo Sciberras celebrated his 60th year of ministerial priesthood. Father ministered in our parish for a number of years. With gratitude to God for this privilege, Father is concelebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving at 12.00 noon TODAY Sunday, 15th September at Holy Name parish, 35 Billyard Avenue Wahroonga. He invites all who wish to join him.



# Congratulations to all the children who will be Confirmed this weekend in our parish. he Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person for the good of all. (1 Corinthians 12:7)

Adam C Aiyana T Alessandro M Andrea R Aviette L Carta N-W Casey M	Colton T Dylan K Ellie B Eva B Frankie D'C Gerson L Gus R	Jesse E Josephine L Kayden M Kayla K Keith L Koby R Kota S Lachlan R	Luca E C Luca T Lukas H Madeline S Magdalena H Makaylah K Marie-Claire T	Miguel A Millicent C Nell F Olive R Olivia R Patrick S Rhian C
Charlie F-T Charlotte E G Chelsey R Christian F	Halle B Harrison L Harry O'K Hope W Isla D	<i>Layla R Leonardo B Lerien K Liam McI Louis L Louis McC</i>	Massimo C Maureen T Max P Michael I Michael S	Riley D Ruby W Sam M Tristan H

# **Special Congratulations to**

Thomas  $C \sim who$  is joining us today from St Agatha's, Pennant Hills Parish & Alayna  $S \sim of KCCP \sim who today will receive both Confirmation and First Eucharist.$ 

# As a parish we would like to thank:

The parents and sponsors of our candidates for their support and instruction in the faith at home and beyond

The many amazing readers, offertory bearers, musicians and artistic helpers who prepared the churches with banners, flowers, brooms, dusters, etc

> Our senior and junior servers who anticipate the needs of all, (SBB) Robert Pesavento; Penny O'K; Olive O'K; Piper T, Harry T, & (SPA) David Massa; Malcolm Cross; Thomas C; Mia N; Emma D;

The wonderful workshop facilitators who voluntarily give of their time and talents to prepare the children at SPA ~ Loretta, Emma-Lyn, Christine, Gabriel at SBB ~ Lauren, Natasha, Liam

### Special thanks go to our wonderful Sacramental Team of Peta Tonkin and Phill Clarke

who voluntarily work tirelessly preparing the children for all their Sacraments and who take care of the multitude of little things behind the scenes that make these celebrations so memorable

And of course, OUT WONDERful children,

for receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirt with reverence and humility.

## ALL ARE INVITED this Friday 20th September to a COMMUNITY FORUM

**Vorth Shore** 

Venue:

Time:

Pastoral Discernment as part of our diocese's pastoral discernment for the North Shore Deanery Caroline Chisolm Centre, Pennant Hills (Diocesan Office building) Buildina: 2/423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills (entry in City View Road) 3 pm – approx. 4:30 pm

An in-person gathering to hear what the data on our parishes and schools is saying and learn of the Guiding Consultation Questions for your community's listening and dialogue Conversation Forums.



Children's Liturgy is coming to St Pat's in Term 4! We are happy to announce that every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, PreK-6 children will be invited to: GATHER together in the school hall; LISTEN to the Word of God in a

Liturgy of the Word for Children

child-friendly way; REFLECT through a fun hands-on activity; GO FORTH in song

or prayer, then return to Mass. Sessions will run for approximately 20 min in the first half of the Mass. Parents are more than welcome to join their children, especially for little ones needing assistance to be part of a group. Our Children's Liturgy team includes parish parent members who have Working With Children Clearances. This term's parents will be: Dicta & Joseph (left photo) and Gabriel & Chris (right photo). If interested in helping out, please contact the parish office.



A collaboration between Excelsia College. Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish, CatholicCare Broken Bay and St John's Anglican, Asquith, meet

EVERY WEDNESDAY

in St John's Church Hall 6 Rovston Pde Asquith. Please join us if you can.

**SCHEDULE** 

### Sept, Oct, Nov 2024

11 Sept	Introduction - Ikigai & Wellbeing			
18 Sept	Brain Games (delivered by CatholicCare BB)			
25 Sept	Drama Performance - Grace (delivered by Excelsia College Team)			
1 Oct	Gardening (Tuesday) (delivered by Ku-ring-gai Council)			
9 Oct	Picnic - location TBC			
16 Oct	Let's get moving (delivered by CatholicCare BB)			
23 Oct	Ct Life Writing (delivered by Excelsia College Team)			
30 Oct	t Festival of Lights & Wellbeing			
4 Nov	Christmas Celebration			



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

Choir is delighted to be part of helping provide music for this Sunday's parish celebration of Confirmation! All our young people being confirmed as missionary disciples are perfect candidates for the Choir, which welcomes anyone from Year 3 and up. We would love to share with you this opportunity to become actively involved in your local parish community and get to know other young people who are part of this fantastic, lively group. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as well as for special occasions. We practise every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church.

Contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935 or come along at 4pm on a Friday to see for yourself!

	St Bernard	l's Church		St Patrick's Church				
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm		
Acolyte / Snr Server	Garth Graham	Paul Dryden	Sue Lum	Phil Daidone	David Massa	Volunteer now		
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Annie Tod Harry Tod	Elliot Gow Joshua Rumble	Darius Ali Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Lucy Henao Vila Vincent Huynh	Volunteer now Volunteer now		
Reader (1)	Genevieve Funk	Denise Harant	Penny Lougland	Vivienne Schreiber	Cora Cuasay	Volunteer now		
Reader (2)	Francesca Parrino	Freya Tonkin	Hayley Rodrigues	Russell Schreiber	Sandra Maloney	Les Fogden		
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	Cecilia Waite (f) Annette Cleaner needed— heaven			/ O'Malley, John & Sue O	Malley; Leanne Barbour (f)			
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