

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

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 16th June 2019 ~ The Most Holy Trinity ~ Year C

O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth.

Prov 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

**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'

# SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



A teacher asked the Grade Threes to paint something of their own choosing. All the children got busy about their task. As the teacher walked around she noticed Johnnie was particularly focused.

'What are you painting?'
'I'm painting God, Miss.'

'Well, that must be difficult because no-one knows what God looks like.'
To which Johnnie confidently replied,

'But they will when I'm finished!!'

What if we human beings had the most sublime, most eminent person painting a picture of God for us? It is as though 2,000 years ago, the world was saying 'It is too difficult to describe God because no-one knows what God looks like.' And then, like Johnnie in the Grade Three classroom, Jesus of Nazareth says: 'But they will when I'm finished!'

Throughout his ministry, before he uttered 'It is finished' when crucified, Jesus painted a picture of the most intimate communion of Divine Life between Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit. 'The Father and I are one.' He breathed on them the Holy Spirit. This is a relationship and yet

the most perfect unity. This is difficult for us to grasp. Therefore we try to paint pictures. How do we 'see' God? Of course, we don't take seriously the old man with a beard or the little white bird. The other monotheistic religions conceive of God as a single unflickering white light, like a fluorescent tube shining brightly through the mist. No, God is Divine pulsating shimmering light dancing in threefold exchange of love. In fact, the best name for God is 'Being-in-Love'. What does this mean for us?

We are baptised into this Triune Divine Life in the name (not names) of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Each time we bless ourselves, a bit of a Catholic routine, we are invoking the threefold exchange of love and calling its power into our life. Be careful, there will be consequences! You could become more God-like!

How often have you heard: 'You are made in the image and likeness of God.' Jews and Muslims believe that too.

But only because of the revelation through Jesus Christ do we know what that really means.

If God is threefold Being-in-Love, and each one of us is to be an image and likeness of God, then you and I are made to live in relationship – not in solitary.

We are totally on the wrong track if we think that the ultimate good is to be self-sufficient, autonomous.

It will turn out to be a Hellish choice.

If anyone is in Hell, he/she is there because he/she wants to be totally self-sufficient, autonomous.

No, if you and I are baptised into the life of God, you and I are to live as the image and likeness of God.

When we live wholeheartedly in relationships of love, of as much self-giving as is possible, of as much un-self-ish-ness as is possible, we are closest to Divine Life. In fact, we are Divine Life pulsating into a particular time and place through us.

My dear friends, that is why the feast of the Trinity is such a great Feast.

Other religions have prophets and gurus – Moses, Mohammed – to varying degrees trying to respond to glimpses of the Divine.

They, like Johnnie, have tried to paint a picture of the Divine, and of our relationship to Divine Being.

It was only Jesus of Nazareth who revealed perfectly the threefold dynamism of Divinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – and who invites us to share in that imaging of the Divine Dynamism.

## What an invitation!

Let us now prayerfully celebrate that invitation every time we sign ourselves: 'In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.'

© Fr Michael Tate

## PASTORAL CENTRE

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Assistant Priest Fr Joy Thomas, 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 Mon, Tues and Thurs.
9am Wednesday and Friday
St Patrick's 8am Wednesday and Friday
9am Mon, Tues, Thurs and Sat.

First Friday – St Bernard's

10.30am Adoration 11.00am Reconciliation 11.30am Healing Mass

First Friday — St Patrick's
Night Vigil 7 30n

Night Vigil 7.30pm

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 & Prayers

#### 11th week Ordinary Time

Monday 17/06

Weekday, Mass ad libitum 2 Cor 6: 1-10; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday 18/06

Weekday, Mass ad libitum 2 Cor 8: 1-9; Mt 5:43-48

## Wednesday 19/06

Weekday, Mass ad libitum 2 Cor 9: 6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

## Thursday 20/06

Weekday, Mass ad libitum 2 Cor 11: 1-11; Mt 6:7-15

## Friday 21/06

St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious Mass of the Saint Preface of weekday or saints 2 Cor 11: 18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23

### Saturday 22/06

Sts John Fisher, bishop and Thomas More, martyrs Mass of the Saints Preface of weekday or saints 2 Cor 12: 1-10; Mt 6:24-34

> Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish Remembers & Prays for...

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Jean Sayers (sister of Brenda Brooks), Nick Jones, Fr Ian Abbott (priest from our Diocese) Bruce Branthwaite, Ian McGuinness, Neslin Perkins

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

Geoffrey Warren, Gesmundo Daria, Andrea Daria, Luisita Turqueza, Rogelio Barnetto, Leo Vila, Maree Hayden, Helena Noske, Reba Mackett, Judy Huntley, Father Boberg, Marie Wilson, Tony Dirckze,

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Paul Sarks, Eve Davis (baby), Penny Rigor, David Rogencamp, Rodney Porter, Sheryl Sanchez Reyes, Irena Fellmann, Jwona Nowak, Jennifer Hindmarsh, Elaine Longmuir, Paula McGaulley, Michael Quinn, June Eileen, Patricia Smith (Carlton), Ramona Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson, Rosalinda de Ramos, Jaz Pitts, Georgia Meyers, Angela Smith, Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker, Maureen Sharpe, Ewa Rakozy, Jean Cook, Greg Cooper, Betty Borg, Morrie Ramsden, Brian Neary, Darcy Green, Edwina Subramany, Aiko Concepcion, John Buckley, Ellen Asistente, Sam Calacoci, Barbara Jones, Arlene Joson, Alfredo De Ramos, Kath Lock, Marcelina De Ramos, Cadia Maestri, Matthew Conlon, Patrick Dorahy, John Macy, Narelle Cartwright, Tom Dawson, Mary Fernandes, Patricia Sanders, Monique Leyden, Frederick Novak, Barbara & Maciej Maciejewski, Alfredo De Ramos Sr

Please advise the office if names can be deleted from the sick list.

# "The Church expresses her trinitarian faith by confessing one God in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The three divine Persons are one God because each of them is identical with the fullness of the one and indivisible divine nature.

The three are really distinct from each other through their reciprocal relations: the Father engenders the Son, the Son is engendered by the Father, the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son" (Compendium, 48).



June 2019

# The reception of First Eucharist will take place in our parish NEXT WEEKEND 22 & 23 June 2019

Our children have been well prepared and will receive Our Lord in Communion for the first time during the

6pm Vigil and 10am Masses at St Patrick's Asquith and during the

9am Mass at St Bernard's Berowra Heights.

Please be aware that parking at these masses may prove a little more challenging than usual due to an increase of family and visitors attending, so you may want to give yourselves a little more time to ensure you arrive before these masses commence.

God Our Father, you give each one of us special life and love in our families.

It is through the experience of sharing and growing together that we deepen our experience of You.

As we join with these children, in this time of preparation before they celebrate the

Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time, we ask You to be with us in the power and gift of Your Spirit.

We ask you to encourage all of us to be aware of the wonder of Your Sacramental gift and to deepen our union with You and with one another in and through Jesus Your Son. Amen.



# 2019—2020 Planned Giving Envelopes AVAILABLE NOW from the back of our churches.

The end of the financial year is looming and that means your Planned Giving Envelope (PGE) box should be nearly empty.

Fear not!!

We have your new PGE's (for the next financial year) at the ready and they are waiting for your collection at the back of our churches **TODAY!!** 

Please remember to collect your box as it costs more to post these out to parishioners than it does to have the envelopes themselves printed!! and that's no fib.

Thank you to all who support this initiative to raise vital funds for the parish, enabling us to budget (to some extent) for the yearly parish expenses. If you would like to know how you can join the PGE programme or other ways you can assist the parish financially, please call the Parish Office on 9456 2450.



Principal: Jeanette Fowles

# Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments at both Parish Schools ON NOW!

St Bernard's and St Patrick's Catholic Primary Schools are currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2020.

[Limited vacancies also available in other grades].

Enrolment packages can be collected from EITHER school office or downloaded from their websites.

School tours available by appointment.

SBB: Ph: 9456 2104 ~

Website: www.sbbdbb.catholic.edu.au
SPA: Ph: 9477 3800 ~

Website: www.stpat.nsw.edu.au





Principal: Bernard Cumming



Thank you & Kappy Retirement Sophie

Happy Retirement and a big thank you to Sophie Kwok who has been looking after the flowers at St Patrick's Church (Group D) for 16 years! Having started in this ministry in 2003 Sophie has decided it is time to hang up the secateurs and take time to smell the roses rather than arrange them. Sophie will use her gift for the last time on 30 June 2019.

Of course, this means we are looking to 'plant' someone else on the roster and we encourage any 'budding' florists out there to resist being a 'shrinking violet' and please come forward or call the parish office on 9456 2450.





# Plenary Council 2020 2019 - A Year of Discernment:

Last weekend the Plenary Council 2020 themes for the

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

Year of Discernment were released.

Missionary and Evangelising

- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal
- Prayerful and Eucharistic
- Humble, Healing and Merciful
- A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community
- Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform.



**National Theme for Discernment #1** 

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Missionary and Evangelising?



This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation

among all the baptised who make up the Church. Find out more: <a href="www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au">www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au</a>



Humble, healing and merciful

## Kiribati resources needed. Can you help?

Each Wednesday at lunch time, the Kiribati team meets in the Youth Ministry Room at St Leo's Catholic College, Wahroonga. They are preparing resources, which a group of students and teachers, will shortly take to this sovereign state in Micronesia (midway between Hawaii and Fiji). Kiribati is one of the most isolated countries in the world and needs our help.

If you, family or friends would like to assist here's some ideas  $\sim$  a 23kg limit on luggage applies, so keeping it light is important!

- USBs loaded with teaching resources suitable up to end Stage 5
- Baby clothes (singlets, t-shirts, jumpsuits)
   Women's underwear (new) large sizes
- Women's sanitary products & roll on deodorants
   Toddler clothing
   T-towels
- Stationery pencils, rulers, erasers, pencil cases, calculators, highlighter pens
- Crochet hooks & bright crochet cottons, cotton for sewing, lengths of bright cotton fabric (light weight), rolls of elastic, netting (for mosquito covers) knitting needles & wool, scissors, dress patterns, pins, needles
- Sheet music for guitars (hymns not Top 40!), guitar strings and picks
- Materials to make rosary beads, jewellery (think bracelets, earrings in bright colours)
- Educational games/flash cards/word or numeracy games.
- Educational posters for laminating

**KCCP** is sending 12 Hymn books which have been specifically requested as they are in English.

Donations can be taken directly to St Leo's reception 16 Woolcott Avenue, Wahroonga or dropped into the parish office.

For more information please call St Leo's on: 9487 3555.





Our Cherubs Choir did a wonderful job last Sunday, singing and dancing and greeting people in many languages! Thank you to our parent helpers as well. This group of young singers from Kinder to Year 2 only came together recently, to sing at parish Masses. They

have worked hard learning lots of songs and movements and building their choir skills. Next time they sing will be later in July, after the school holidays. New singers welcome, as well as parent helpers. Children's Choir @ St Patrick's celebrated their 14th anniversary last weekend, and farewelled one of our wonderful young directors, Naomi Massa. We will be having an anniversary party at the end of term on Friday 5th July, as a final farewell for Naomi from the Choir.

The Choir practises every Friday from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church, developing singing skills at all levels and also training young directors, cantors and soloists to work within the parish and to go on to greater things outside the parish, as Naomi has done. New singers from Year 3 and up always welcome.

Further information on any of the above please call Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

## Pope's intention for June: Priests:



That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor.



Safeguarding: A culture of Safeguarding values PRESENCE..."For where two

or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." - Matthew 18:20





filled and servant

Please join us for morning tea on

Sunday, June 23, 10.30am at the King Tide Cafe/Restaurant, Hawkesbury River Marina, 9 Dangar Rd Brooklyn.

RSVP for booking by Monday, June 17. Please contact Gen Funk if you need a lift on: david@barnettsroad.com



TEACHERS PLAYGROUPS &

\$T PATRICK'\$ CATHOLIC PRIMARY \$CHOOL, A\$QUITH: ALL SESSIONS: 9am—10.30AM

<u>Term 2:</u> remaining date **Tuesday 18 June** <u>Term 3:</u> Wednesday 31 July and Royston Parade, Asquith 2077

Morning Tea Provided.

All Pre-School Children, Families and Carers Welcome.

NO R\$VP REQUIRED. Like more information?

Ph: 9477 3800, or E: spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au

## **Employment Opportunity**

Boarding Coordinator (ref BCJ1) (to start asap).

Loreto Normanhurst: a leading Catholic independent day and boarding school for girls in Years 5-12, is currently seeking a dynamic and energetic individual for the following role: **Boarding Coordinator:** Permanent part-time (32-35 hours per week) from Wednesdays to Sundays, or Sundays to Wednesdays. Sleepovers are required. This position is responsible for the supervision and pastoral care of boarding girls. The role requires personal maturity, teamwork and experience with young people. Candidates with nursing, health science, education or welfare backgrounds (or currently studying) are encouraged to apply, especially if you attended boarding school and/ or have a strong sense of community. A driver's licence and a Working with Children Check (WWCC) is essential. Please visit website for PD and how to apply (www.loretonh.nsw.edu.au). All applicants must complete an Application form (on the website). Closing date: Friday 21 June 2019 (10am).

All staff are expected to actively support the Catholic, and specifically Loreto, ethos of the school.



## ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 22nd/23rd June—The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, Yr C

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE Gen 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11-17

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	St Berna	ard's Church	St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)					
KU-RING-GAI CHASE	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm		
CATHOLIC PARISH Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia	Fr Eliseus	Fr Joy(1st Holy Communion)	Fr Joy(1st Holy Communion)	Fr Anselam	Fr Anselam(1st Holy Communion)	Fr Joy		
Acolyte/Snr Server	Justin Berry	Barbara McMullen	Sue Lum	Sue Lum	Francis & Cristina	Darrin Patterson		
Server	Karina Bednarz Adam Waite Jake Williams	Otylia Chylewska Alena Hartmann Bronte Tonkin	Jessica Pennings	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young Jimmy O'Connor	Lucy Triantafilis Madeleine Drake Chloe Thomas Jake D. Rionah Gonsalves	Ellen Rawsthorn		
Reader	Donna Machado John Ryan	Denise Harant Peta Tonkin	Paul Worthington Henning Schneider	Millie Wong Michael Halliday	Sandra Maloney Simone Noel	Don Low Ethleen Low		
Children's Liturgy	June 16 , 2019 – Marta C.		June 16, 2019 – No children's liturgy due to facilitated Mass for First Eucharist candidates.					
Communion to Sick	Gus Davis		Susie Gates, Sue Lum					
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Cecilia Waite (f), Ning Biyo, Reese & Peter Nguyen, Tina Manti(s).		Pat Smith, Alison Henson, Teresa Schneider, Ellen Downey, Marion Pahalawatta Fiona Rodrigues					
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		June: Sydney Fernandes ******** HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED ********************************					
Counters	Pat Connor, Lyn Beacom, Ruth Maher		Henning Schneider, Coral Thaddeus, Mary Stokes, Artemio Bulan					

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 Joy Thomas 9456 2450

**Urgent sick calls** Fr Shaju John 9456 7010 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery)

**Nursing Home Visits** By request

**Clergy Days Off** Fr Shaju John - Monday

Fr Joy Thomas — Tuesday

**Home Visits** For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral

Requests Please call the Office 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.

## LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

Please keep our First Eucharist Candidates in your prayers.

## ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

- 10th Anniversary of Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Relay for the Sanctification of Priests Friday 28 June registration details on flyer
- Catholic Missions Ambassador Evening-Friday 28 June at Lavendar Bay
  - [Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB

## **Heart Women's Conference:**

Date: 20-22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019; Venue: Fairfield RSL Club.

A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for.

Invite your daughters, mothers, sisters and friends!

Men – What woman in your life can you spoil by sending them to

Heart 2019? Register: Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com

Email: heart@TheCatholicGuy.com Phone: 1300 734 880

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