

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 17th March 2019 ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent ~ Year C

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

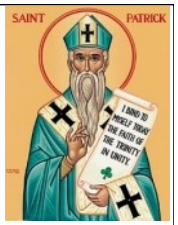
Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9: 28-36

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'



The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to

bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death. As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. **Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and**

Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, **a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him.** This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son. In his Resurrection, **we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection.** In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death. (Loyola Press)

Now don't be forgettin' that... that mischievous leprechaun Michael Halliday has promised to teach us to Irish dance, and don't you be lettin' him tell ya otherwise—he's a master at the reel he is! Just ask him, he'll be tellin' ya!



Ar begorrah 'tis today! Top of the mornin' to ya, and a HAPPY ST PADDY'S DAY to you and yours!

Today we celebrate the Feast Day of one of our Parish Patron Saints, St Patrick.

Please join us for Holy Mass at 10am at Asquith, followed by a parish family BBQ where we will share a meal together, some laughs and fellowship.

Tell me now, did ya know... St Patrick's value comes from the inspiration of a man who returned to the country where he had been a child slave, in order to bring the message of Christ. **To be sure 'tis true, St Patrick really existed !**

Taken to Ireland as a slave at age 16 from Britain, after 6 years he escaped back over the Irish Sea and became a Catholic priest, and later on a Bishop.

Now get this ! He then returned to Ireland as a missionary and went on to play a major part in the converting of the Irish to Christianity. **Imagine that !**

And what's more... He began to write and some of his writings survived, such as the *Confessio* and the *Letter to Coroticus*.

And then without any help from Facebook, Twitter and the like he managed to have a profound influence on Christianity in Australia! as the Irish clergy he had fostered, dominated Australian Catholic life until just recently.

And I'll bet but a wee few of you know it was not until the 1930's that Australian-born priests outnumbered the Irish ones. But, the Irish priests continued to come to Australia throughout the twentieth century, but only a few arriving in recent years.

So many, so many, religious orders have Irish origins here downunder and these have all had a strong influence on life in Australia. St Patrick has become a patron saint for Churches and schools Australia-wide and we are blessed to have one of them.

Our own parish group Arco Trio (Michaela, Phillip and Naomi)

will be donating their time and music for our St Pats BBQ today. These young, versatile, and enthusiastic musicians, play strings (violin and cello), piano and sing depending on your occasion and have played for many weddings and church functions. **Arco Trio is available for weddings, special events and religious occasions!** Find out more on their Facebook Page - Arco Trio - and their

YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPuosZdvywt9hGBzGIwOB4w>

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KU-RING-GAI CHASE
CATHOLIC PARISH
Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia

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	7.30pm
	RECONCILIATION	
Every Saturday	9.30 am	at St Patrick's
Every Friday	After 9am	Mass at St Bernard's, (except First Friday—see above)

**Lent 2nd Week
Monday 18/03**

St Patrick, bishop
Mass of the Solemnity, Gloria, Creed
Preface of Holy Pastors
Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49;
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

Tuesday 19/03

St Joseph, Husband of Mary
Mass of the Solemnity, Gloria, Creed
Preface of St Joseph
2 Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16;
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2: 41-51

Wednesday 20/03

Weekday, Mass of the day
Preface of Lent I-IV
Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday 21/03

Weekday, Mass of the day
Preface of Lent I-IV
Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

Friday 22/03

Weekday, Mass of the day
Preface of Lent I-IV
Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28;
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday 23/03

Weekday, Mass of the day
Preface of Lent I-IV
Micah 7:1-15, 18-20;
Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Goudie, Patricia Weatherby,
Philip Kunnasserry, Anthony Vu

ANNIVERSARIES:

Joe Treacy; Andrea, Conception,
Gesmund & Elde Daria; Max &
Josie Buie; Paul Sliwka, Marino
Utanis, Geoffrey Warren, Maurie
Perrott

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Irena Fellmann, Jwona Nowak,
Jennifer Hindmarsh, Elaine
Longmuir, Paula McGauley, Michael
Quinn, June Eileen, Patricia Smith
(Carlton), Jude Maatouk, Ramona
Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson,
Rosalinda de Ramos, Peter Todd, Jaz
Pitts, Georgia Meyers, Angela Smith,
Greg Cooper, Matthew Franklin,
Jeanette Bakker, Maureen Sharpe,
Ewa Rakozy, Jean Cook, Morrie
Ramsden, Betty Borg, 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, Dn Jim Caulfield,
Tom Dawson, Mary Fernandes,
Patricia Sanders, Monique Leyden,
Frederick Novak, Barbara & Maciej
Maciejewski, Alfredo De Ramos Sr

**REQUIESCANT IN
PACE**

Our prayers and condolences
to Colleen and Sue Goudie
on the loss of
husband and father, John.
Requiem Mass will be
celebrated on Monday
18 March at 10.30am at
St Patrick's, Asquith.



**Fr Shaju has a serious request/challenge for each of us this Lent
*TAKE LOTS OF BEER***

Now do not let your minds go wondering. This means:



- ***B-BIBLE***- Read your Bible. This is God's given time to be spiritually enriched with the Word of God
- ***E-EMPATHY***- Feel empathy for the poor and neglected and do something about it.
- ***E-EUCHARIST***- Go to mass frequently, besides Sunday. If possible come to mass everyday.
- ***R-RECONCILIATION***- This is the best time to reconcile with those we have hurt, those we are not talking to and to seek forgiveness. It is the best time to restore our relationship with God and one another.

Have a wonderful and joyful Lent and do not forget your BEER!!! *GOD BLESS*

Reconciliation Times during Lent: At our regular times of:
Each Saturday 9.30am, Asquith & each Friday after 9am Mass, Berowra (except First Friday)
Additional opportunities for Reconciliation: * Every Friday evening during 'The Light is On'
* 2nd Rite: Tuesday 9 April 7.30-8.30pm at Berowra



The Light is On for You! at Asquith, and will continue every Friday night during Lent from 7 to 8pm. Lent offers us a privileged time to reflect on our faith and reorient ourselves more closely towards God. Again this year, our parish, will join with other parishes of the Diocese of Broken Bay, in *The Light is On*, where every Friday evening during Lent, churches will be open for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Our Church at Asquith will be open from 7pm—8pm for Reconciliation, and you are invited to spend this time with God and to allow God's light to enter the circumstances of your life in a new way this Lent.

Stations of the Cross during Lent at Asquith will also be prayed during this time. Please join us at St Patrick's Church whenever you can during Lent.

Each Friday	7-8pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation plus more—see below
22 March	7.30pm Taize Evening
29 March	7.30pm Select Choir – Reflection evening
5 April	7.30pm Stations of the Cross
12 April	7.30pm Stations of the Cross



Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Bernard's Berowra Heights:

8.30am Friday mornings followed by Holy Mass, except the 1st Friday of the month (5 April)

when Stations will be at 10am followed by Adoration and Anointing & Healing Mass.

2019 Adult Faith Formation Series
"The Mass" - Bishop Robert Barron
This series of talks on each part of the Mass continues in **Parish Hall at St Patrick's every Thursday at 7.30pm from 7 March**, the format will be a short 25 minute video followed by discussion. *It's not too late to please join us.*



**Lenten lectio divina Resource 2019—
Discerning the Way of Jesus.**

Reflections of the Gospel, for those who wish to gather in smaller groups, or even work through this programme alone.
Available now at the back of our churches.

**Christian Initiation of Adults -- perhaps you've wondered?
Receiving the Creed**

This weekend, the Elect will receive the Creed from all of us assembled at 10am Mass. This is one of the two ancient treasures of the church presented to them during lent, the second being The Lord's Prayer in a few weeks' time.

"The elect are to commit the Creed to memory and they will recite it publicly....on the day of their baptism" *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults # 135*



This year during Lent, why not try a little Extra Spiritual Effort, you might like to ...

- * Attend an extra mass
(to pray especially for family who may have drifted away from the church)
 - * Pray the Rosary as a family at home,
 - * Come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation or,
 - * Attend the Stations of the Cross at least once.
- Those who seek me diligently find me. Proverbs 8*



**"Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts..." Hebrews: 3:7-8**

Catechist Sunday was celebrated at St Bernard's Church, Berowra Heights on Sunday 3 March 2019. After Catechists renewed their pledge to their Ministry and Fr Shaju gave the Blessing, everyone enjoyed morning tea.

Unfortunately, **we did not get any new people to come forward** to help the children in our Public Schools.

We would love to hear from retired parishioners or Uni students; please come forward and help out. You may teach every other week or job share with another family member, if that suits you. We need this to happen **now**, so that you will become familiar with being in a classroom setting. A Working With Children Check must be undertaken before entry to any school is permitted.

Right now **we require** help at Mount Colah Public School - 13 Kindy students and Berowra Public School - eight Kindy students.

Please call the **Parish Office** on 9456 2450 or Catechist Coordinator, Cynthia Gilbertson on 9476 6215.

KCCP Youth Group

We're skipping dinner & going straight to dessert!

Join us on Sunday April 7 for 6pm Youth Mass at Asquith followed by Youth Group at 7pm in the hall.

CHOCOLATE FOUNTAIN Easter Egg-stravaganza! EASTER EGG HUNT

Don't forget to bring your Easter Egg donation for the Youth Easter Raffle

For more info please contact Michelle @ michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au

There is never an age limit on chocolate

KCCP Youth Group Easter Egg Raffle

Enabling young people to meet with their peers; socialise and become part of the community

*Support our Youth Ministry
'A Church without Youth,
is a Church without a future'*

**Tickets will be on sale
this Sunday @ the
St Patrick's Day BBQ**

Tickets available from the Parish Office or after weekend masses



Don't miss the **Lent Taize evening** coming up at St Patrick's this **Friday, 22nd March, at 7.30pm**. Beautiful singing, peaceful meditation, gentle prayer in a serene, candlelight ambience- give yourself some time out and come along and relax.

Meditation at the Foot of the Cross brings together music, Scripture and prayer at the foot of the cross, where you can reflect on your deepest needs and God's gifts to you.

Friday, 29th March, 7.30pm at St Patrick's church. Led by the Select Choir members of the parish Children's Choir.

Adult volunteer needed to assist with Children's Choir practices at St Patrick's, Fridays from 4 to 5pm during school terms, on a regular weekly basis or occasionally. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays each month and practises on Fridays from 4 to 5pm. New singers from Year 3 and up always welcome. **Cherubs' Choir** In response to parent demand, a **new choir for children** from Kinder to Year 2 is starting at St Patrick's! We already have a group of interested families, however it won't get off the ground without parent support and parent volunteers to help run the choir and be available to help out at practices.

If you have children that this is perfect for, or if you are interested in volunteering, or if you want more information on any of the above, please contact the Parish Office or Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

Congratulations to OUR ELECT - Fiona, Medhi & Min Yee

Having completed the 2nd liturgical step, we no longer have Catechumens, instead we have 3 Elect, who will continue their journey towards Easter Vigil when they will become full members of The Church.

Readers Please Note:

On the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays in Lent, the 10am Mass at Asquith will use the readings for Year A as these readings are most suitable when preparing candidates for initiation into the Church.



URGENT NEED @ SPA Altar linen cleaner

As our wonderful band of stalwart volunteers slow down, it seems that every other (if not every) week the parish needs to appeal for another volunteer and this week is no different.

We are in urgent need of someone to take on the washing of the linen used at our masses at Asquith. If you can help or want to know more *please* speak with either of our priests or contact the office on 9456 2450.



The next

Bernies' Ladies

function will be on Friday, April 5 @ 7pm at Bambinos in Berowra Heights. Please RSVP by Monday, April 1, so I can book.

Please let me know if you need at lift Gen Funk david@barnettsroad.com

VOLUNTEER St Bernard's Church Technology Volunteers

needed to operate the computer and data projector during weekend Masses, in particular playing recorded music, mp3s when no instrumentalists are available. All training given! You don't have to be a musician, just interested in helping out! *Please contact Peter Brooks (St Bernard's) or Patricia Smith (St Patrick's) or contact the Parish Office.*

Our first Praisefest for 2019 and a CYBB World Youth Day Reunion!!



Don't miss your chance to engage in vibrant Praise & honest Worship, listen to amazing and inspiring stories from the pilgrimage and catch up with old friends!

The night kicks off with PRAISEFEST Festival fun activities, free food, and great company! But be sure to stick around because the night will end with a kickin' Praise Party you will not wanna miss! So be there, invite your friends and prepare to have an unbelievable evening! **Note:** This event is open to high school students through to young adults up to the age of 30.

Friday 29 March 2019, 6-9pm, Light of Christ Centre, Waitara

Discerning for a vocation is more than an intellectual weighing up of options, or applying a technique to find an answer.

It is a process of becoming aware of what is in our hearts and minds, listening to God, gaining clarity and making a choice.

It is not about choosing what you will do for life but about discovering who you are made to be.



The busyness of daily life takes away from our ability to listen to God and possibly discovering our deepest identity. This Discernment Retreat allows you to immerse yourself in a quiet environment that can help you listen to God and receive the spiritual direction you may be looking for. For more information please contact the Vocations Office for the Diocese of Broken Bay at Vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au or call W: 02 9484 1427 M: 0418 522 449



Pope's intention for MARCH Evangelization – Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



Safeguarding:

A culture of Safeguarding values
SERVANT LEADERSHIP...

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." - 1 Peter 4:10



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ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 23/24 March—3rd Sunday in Lent—Year C

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

Yr C: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13: 1-9 (10am St Pat's: Yr A: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4: 5-42)

	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 Shaju John	Fr Joy Thomas	Fr Joy Thomas	Fr Shaju John	Fr Shaju John	Fr Joy Thomas
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Vince Hughes	Sandra Sparkes	Malcolm Cross	Francis Wong	Darrin Patterson
Server	Megan Chung Josephine Harman Sophia Harman	Max Jerominek Ella Noble Isaac Tonkin	Jessica Pennings	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young Jimmy O'Connor	Lucy Triantafyllis Madeleine Drake Chloe Thomas Jake D	Ellen Rawsthorn
Reader	Alysha Berry Mary Dorahy	Peter Collins Paul Maher (sub. Req.)	Paul Worthington Helen Chui	Millie Wong Rosemary Pendlebury	Deborah de Voss Hayley Rodrigues	Chris Newnham Sue Newnham
Children's Liturgy	March 17, 2019—Marta C..		March 17, 2019— Paula T & Mary-Anne F N.B. in Studio 21 (upstairs in the hall)			
Communion to Sick	Jane Hunter		Penny Loughland, Janette O'Brien			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Ning Biyo, Reese Nguyen, Peter Nguyen..... N.B. NO FLOWERS in Lent, Chichi Datoc(s)		Scott Smith, Winston Rodrigues, Antony Davis (Thursday evening) N.B. NO FLOWERS in the churches during Lent.			
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		March: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Filso Sebastian			
Counters	Pat Connor, Lyn Beacom		Malcolm Cross, Jessie Long, Graham Palmer			

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	LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE
<p>Rosary After weekday Masses both Churches</p> <p>Visit Housebound Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450</p> <p>Urgent sick calls Fr Shaju John 9456 7012 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery)</p> <p>Nursing Home Visits By request</p> <p>Clergy Days Off Fr Shaju John – Monday Fr Joy Thomas – Tuesday</p> <p>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. <i>Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.</i></p>	<p>21 March: Adult Faith Formation / Lenten Programme: 'The Mass' - Bishop Robert Barron, St Pat's Hall each Thursday in Lent from 7.30pm</p> <p>22 March: Taize Evening, 7.30pm St Patrick's</p> <p>9 April: 2nd Rite Reconciliation: 7.30-8.30pm at Berowra Heights</p> <p>21 April: Easter Sunday</p> <p> Arco Trio is available for weddings, special events and religious occasions! Find out more on their Facebook Page - Arco Trio - and their YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPuosZdvvywt9hGBzGIwOB4w</p> <p>ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:</p> <p>* [Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB</p>

The 250 Club!


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