

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

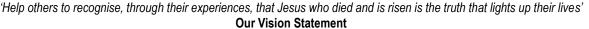
'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus'

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 18th August 2019 ~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C

Lord, come to my aid!

Jer 38:4-6,8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Our Mission 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'

WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF OUR PATRON SAINT ST BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX

O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God



That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Prayer to the Most Holy Name of Jesus (by Saint Bernard of Clairvaux.)

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills the breast!

Yet sweeter far Thy face to see and in Thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, Nor can the memory find,

A sweeter sound than Jesus' name, The Saviour of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart! O joy of all the meek!

To those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah! this Nor tongue nor pen can show

The love of Jesus, what it is, none but His loved ones know.

Jesus! our only hope be Thou, as Thou our prize shalt be;

In Thee be all our glory now, and through eternity.

Amen.

The Memorare of St. Bernard

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

A parish celebration for the Feast of St Bernard will follow the 9am Mass at St Bernard's, Berowra Heights today.

Please join us to mark this very special occasion in our parish.

Feastal Greetings to all, Fr Shaju & Fr Joy

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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 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

Every Friday

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

After 9am Mass at St Bernard's, (except First Friday—see above)

This Week's: Readings & Prayers

20th week Ordinary Time Monday 19/08

Weekday, Mass ad libitum Judges 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday 20/08

St Bernard, Mass of the Saint Preface of weekday or saint Judges 6:11-24, Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday 21/08

St Pius X, pope Mass of the Saint Preface of weekday or saint Judges 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday 22/08

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mass of the Day Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary I-II Judges 11:29-39; Mt 22:1-14 Friday 23/08

Weekday, Mass ad libitum Ruth 1:1,3-6,14-16,22; Mt 22:34-40 Saturday 24/08

St Bartholomew, apostle Mass of the Feast, Gloria Preface of Apostles I-II Apoc 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Paciencia Torres, Val McKenzie, Mathew Korattiyil, Peter Nicholson, Jean Sayers, Dominic Borg (Fr Robert's dad), Ursula Skupien (Fr Bogden's mum), Anne Favaloro, Madeleine Anderson, Ricardo Favis, George O'Donnell, Eduardo Ubalde, Anthony Smith.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bill Lyle, Fran Lyle, Bill Davies, Margaret Lees, Kathy Goodwin, Michael Weir, Lynette Maguire, Catalino Ubalde, Elena Ubalde, Margret De Alwis

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Marie Mickelson, Renee Hinton. Elaine Longmuir, Maureen Sharpe, Shaji Simon (brother of Fr Shiju), Paul Sarks, Eve Davis(baby), Penny Rigor, David Rogencamp, Rodney Porter, Sheryl Sanchez Reyes, Irena Fellmann, Jwona Nowak, Jennifer Hindmarsh, Paula McGaulley, Michael Ouinn, June Eileen, Patricia Smith (Carlton), Ramona Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson, Rosalinda de Ramos, Jaz Pitts, Georgia Meyers, Angela Smith, Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker, Ewa Rakozy, Jean Cook, Greg Cooper, Betty Borg, Morrie Ramsden, Brian Neary, 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

OTHER: Marcos J Miguel & family

SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY by Dianne Bergant CSA

The first reading describes a drama of national crisis, prophetic involvement and political power plays.

The fate of the prophet Jeremiah seems to be in the hands of a vacillating king, who is influenced first by the power establishment of Judah (v.5) and then by a lone court official from the land of Cush.

The word of God spoken by the prophet and the policies of the nation are in deadly conflict and Jeremiah appears to be the centre of contention. In such a situation, the one who speaks in God's name is likely to pay the price. This is exactly what happened.

The psalm is a prayer of thanksgiving for past deliverance. In view of this deliverance, the psalmist pleads for further help from God. The danger into which God reaches in order to rescue the psalmist is the pit or the swamp, both metaphors for death. The imagery is reminiscent of the ancient seasonal myths in which one of the gods descends into the abode of the dead only to rise again to new life. The metaphor gradually came to be used to speak of the descent of human beings in general. This psalm includes the hope of rising from misfortune. Having been drawn up out of danger, the psalmist is placed on a secure rock, a place of sound footing.

In this exhortation to endurance, the author of the Letter to the Hebrews skillfully employs the metaphor of a race. Just as the games were often held in a large stadium or amphitheatre that could hold the crowds that came to watch, so Christians are surrounded by a great crowd of witnesses (mártys). Just as athletes are spurred on by the cheers of the people in the stands, so too Christians are encouraged by those who have preceded them.

Like runners, Christians should be unimpeded by unnecessary weight, the heaviest burden being sin itself. Jesus ran the race, and now he enjoys the crown which is the reward for his success. Christians now have Jesus as their model.

The picture of Jesus in this gospel passage is troubling if we think of him merely as a gentle messiah who came to spread peace throughout the world. Here he insists that his coming is comparable to a dramatic prophetic visitation. He has come to cast fire on the earth, to be baptised, and to cause division at the very heart of human society. It is not that Jesus is eager for these disturbing events in themselves to unfold. Rather, he himself burns with zeal for the accomplishment of his earthly mission, which, in calling for radical change, will inevitably include such consequences. While Jesus himself may have been a man of peace, the message that he proclaimed was clearly divisive. He made demands on people that challenged them to the very heart of their being. © Dianne Bergant CSA



From Archbishop Anthony Fisher

As you would know, the bill to legalise abortion up until birth, with very few safeguards for mothers or children, passed the Legislative Assembly.

... It now moves to an inquiry before a vote in the Upper House. To that end, a petition is being organised to ask Upper House members to vote against the bill.

I have asked that the petition be available for parishioners to sign at Masses [sic], and return promptly to the Archdiocese and in any event, by no later than Tuesday, 20 August 2019 so that petitions can be collated, counted and presented to the Legislative Council. If you have any enquiries, please contact Monica Doumit, Director of Public Affairs and Engagement, on 0417 102 103 or monica.doumit@sydneycatholic.org. Yours fraternally in Christ, +Anthony

At the back of our churches this weekend will be a petition to sign. As this needs to be returned by Tuesday, 20 August 2019 it is requested you take the opportunity to add your signature without delay.



Children's Liturgy @ KCCP

and we would like to invite the children of our parish to come to Children's Liturgy at both our churches.

Children's Liturgy is a great way for children to share in the Mass as the Liturgy of the Word is presented to the children at their level of

understanding. All children aged from 4 years old are invited to join us for Children's Liturgy (children under 4 years are also welcome when accompanied by an adult).

9am Mass @ St Bernard's

Jackie Tod is co-ordinator for SBB and takes the 1st Sunday of the month class

Marta Chylewska-Fulton takes the 3rd Sunday of the month class For more details contact Jackie on

0414 579 477 or the parish office.

10am Mass @ St Patrick's

Please sign your child in at the school/parish hall from 9.50am prior to the 10am Mass commencing.

Liz Trist, Lisa Payne, and Bec Daly are co-ordinators for SPA

For more details please contact Liz or Lisa or Bec lizzee27@hotmail.com lisalunchbox@yahoo.com rebecca.daly@dbb.catholic.edu.au

A message to our young parishioners journeying towards the Sacrament of Confirmation:

Dear children of our parish preparing for Confirmation, we would like you to know that: We Confirm you are an important member of our faith family. We Confirm that you are in our prayers and we ask Our Lord to strengthen and guide you over the coming weeks and We Confirm, that when you open your hearts and souls to the Holy Spirit, you will experience God's wisdom and love forever. Fr Shaju & Fr Joy. Confirmation Workshops continue please keep these young parishioners in your prayers.



Ramos Sr.

Pope's intention for August: Families ~ That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."



Safeguarding: Next month (September) is Safeguarding month.

This year the DBB is celebrating the theme; A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging. All are invited to the Diocesan Liturgy which signifies the start of Safeguarding Month. Liturgy of Inclusion & Care, Tues. 3 Sept., OLOR Cathedral, Waitara, 7pm.

Calling all kids in Year 5 & 6 to the launch of our latest youth group... 'St Bernard's Knights'

Our Youth Co-Ordinator, Michelle, has been busy planning and has come up with a great idea. She would like you to join us for a community 'Faith and Fun' youth group, where students from

> Year's 5 and 6 can learn about what it means to be loved by God and can develop their own relationship with Him.

Where: The Pastoral Centre, Berowra Heights,

When: Every last Friday of the month, beginning on August 30. **From:** 6pm to 7.30pm.

Structured lessons and activities, refreshments and snacks will be available. For more info. or to rsvp contact the office on 9456 2450 or via michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au



St Bernard's

Nights 🖪

Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish

Cherubs Choir will be singing at 10am Mass next Sunday, 25th August! This choir is made up of children from Kinder to Year 2 in our parish. The Cherubs practise every Tuesday morning during school terms from 8.15 to 8.45am in St Patrick's church,

learning singing skills and lots of music and movements. They sing approximately once a month, with the Children's Choir, at 10am Mass. New members are very welcome.

Children's Choir @St Patrick's is a wonderful way for young people from different schools all over the parish to make connections, and to be involved with their own parish community making our celebrations more beautiful and inspiring. Anyone can join, so long as they are in Year 3 or older, whether they have any experience in music or singing or not. Come along to our next practice and meet some new friends! Children's Choir practises on Fridays during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church, and sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. All enquires to: Patricia Smith 9482 7935 please.



Altar Server Training: Have you made your First Holy Communion? Yes! Then you can become an Altar Server!

Altar Server Training will take place THIS THURSDAY at

St Patrick's Asquith on Thursday August 22 from 3.15- 4.30 pm

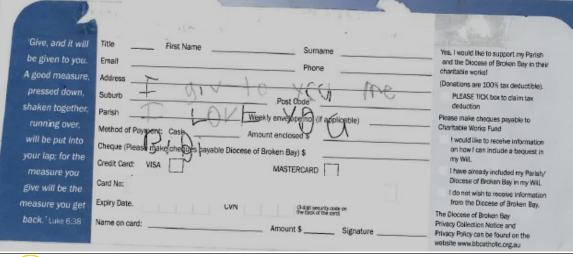
Parents/guardians will need to sign a Consent Form to take you to Mass when rostered to serve and you will be rostered for whichever weekend Mass you usually attend. I look forward to meeting you at training. Malcolm Cross.



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE FIRST OF THE **CWF APPEALS for the 2019/20 Financial Year:**

This year's quota: \$33,665 which equates to \$11,222 p/appeal. *Thank you for your generous donations* towards our annual CWF Appeal. Currently, contributions stand at: \$10,300.00.

If we could give a prize for the best donation ever, it would certainly go to "Bibi" for her exceptional gift below....simply priceless!





RCIA: Becoming Catholic - Come & See!

On Thursday August 29, sessions begin for those enquiring into the Catholic Faith. If you missed the Enquiry night, you are still very welcome to come along to join the other enquirers. Want to know more? Please call Sue 0400 300 598, or the Office 9456 2450; Details- 7:45 pm Thursday August 29 - 40 Royston Parade, Asquith

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM: Do you want to enhance your friendship with Jesus Christ? Couples for Christ Australia are inviting all parishioners to attend a Christian Life Program which will run for 7 Sundays starting 15 Sept 2019 to 27 Oct 2019, 2pm – 5pm at St Patrick's Catholic Church Hall, 1 Royston Parade, Asquith NSW. If there is a need, there will be a children's program running simultaneously for children under thirteen. All are most welcome to join the program. There is no cost for your participation in this CLP. For more information regarding this program, please contact Ronnie Clementir (0413 615 772), Philip Barillo 0450 908350 / Ogie (0422 552 050)

2018/2019 TAXATION **RECEIPTS:**

Now available for those who gave to Charitable **Works or Caritas** (Project Compassion) in the 2018/2019 financial year. NB: receipts are not issued for Weekly Envelope givers as this is not Tax Deductible.



2019 Children's **Choir Games** The Annual Children's Choir Games

St Patrick's Catholic Church, Asquith on Sunday 22 September 2019.

The Choir Games is open to any young person from Year 2 - Year 12 and is a fun afternoon of workshops, rehearsals and performance. Entry is \$5 per person. To register, phone Ku-ringgai Chase Catholic Parish on 9456 2450 or email parishkeep@bbcatholic.org.au



What **ACYF?**

The Australian Catholic **Youth Festival (ACYF)**

is a national gathering of Catholic young people which exists to provide young people with opportunities to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia.

When is ACYF?

December 8th-10th 2019. Approximately 9.30am-8.30pm daily.

Where is ACYF 2019?

The 2019 Festival will be held at Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, 21 Mounts Bay Road, Perth.

Who can attend?

The CYBB Pilgrimage is for young people who are in Year 9 (in 2019) up to the age of 30. Registrations close end of August, so get on board quickly! For more info contact: Michelle Chahine: Michelle.chahine@ bbcatholic.org.au

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 24th/25th August—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr C

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE Is 66:18-21: Heb 12:5-7. 11-13: Lk 13:22-30

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	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)			
KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
	Fr Shaju	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Shaju	Fr Shaju	Fr Joy
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Denis Steiner	Sue Lum	Malcolm Cross	Cristina Gomez	Darrin P
Server	Megan Chung Alex Rogers Alodie Wheeler	Zinta Hartmann Max Jarominek Ella Noble	Jessica Pennings	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young Jimmy O'Connor	Lucy Triantafilis Madeleine Drake Chloe Thomas Jake D Rionah Gonsalves	Ellen Rawsthorn
Reader	Mary Dorahy Natasha Steele	Cristina Hopwood Paul Maher	Celia Cox Sue Watts	Dan Leavy Rosemary Pendlebury	Sandra Maloney Cora Cuasay	Chris Newnham Sue Newnham
Children's Liturgy	September 1, 2019 – Jackie F-T.		September 1, 2019 – Cathryn C & Cristina G			
Communion to Sick	Jane Hunter		Ellen Downey, Vicente Sanchez			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Tina Manti (s), Ning Biyo, Reese Nguyen, Peter Nguyen, Cecilia Waite (f),		Lyn Villa, Angie Pulanco, Leila Fowler, Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer, Yovana Castro Guerrero MORE PEOPLE NEEDED for ALTAR SOCIETY 5 weekly ROSTER, please volunteer			
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		August: Paul McLoughlin, Ronnie Tan more VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for this Roster			
Counters	Cecilia Waite, Pat Foll	kes, Anne Marie Doran	Chris Newnham, Jan Bennett, Susan Clarke, Christine Rodrigues			

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 to Housebound Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450

Emergency sick calls 0468 341 841 (After hours)

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.

Catholic to receive Catholic Services.

Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.



Week 6: ~ Winner: TBA ~ not drawn at time of printing

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

2018/2019 Taxation Receipts available at churches NOW

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

* Tri-Diocesan Gathering—Putting Rungs on the Ladder-Thurs. 29

August, 6-9pm Parramatta Cathedral Hall * 'How can we make our society more civil?'

Explore this question with Eva Cox, AO, social commentator, advocate and activist for a 'truly civil society'. All welcome. Saturday 14 September, 10:30am - 3:30pm, at the Grail Centre, 22 McHatton St, North Sydney. For further details contact: grailsydney@ozemail.com.au ,

telephone 99553053.

good Works

The Asquith Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society

meets every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting room at St. Patricks.

Any parishioner who is interested in joining or would like to know more about the Society is very welcome to come along to our meeting. Alan Henson,

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