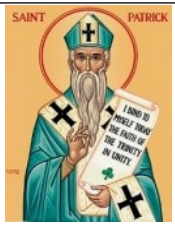


# KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 19th May 2019 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter ~ Year C

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Acts 14:21-27; Apoc 21:1-5; Jn 13:31-35

### 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'



Intrepid Travel

## City Life for True Lovers

Jesus issues a new commandment.

If he had left it as 'love one another' it would have been intolerably vague.

After all, I love chocolate and I would love to win Tattsлото.

The word 'love' has such a range of meaning in English that it always needs a context to be understood.

So Jesus went on: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

That's more definite. That's more concrete. '... as I have loved you.'

So now there is a measure by which we can gauge our progress in discipleship.

There are some obvious enough pointers in the gospel stories. Jesus loved us in a way which invariably led him to do counter cultural things like sharing meals with the marginalised and ostracised. We can all ask how we measure up to his way of living in that and many other respects.

But there is a deeper, more fundamental, dimension to Our Lord's love for us.

Divine Love was aware that humankind was in a mess: a history of disoriented behaviour distorting our relationships with God and others.

Divine Love could have dealt with this in a myriad of ways, perhaps by using angelic forces or purely spiritual Powers. But instead, in Jesus Christ, Divine Love entered into the human story and absorbed the suffering experienced by every human being in death, the tearing apart of body and soul. He conquered such wrenching death in the Resurrection and invites all humanity to share in that victory.

You may think that this extravagant extreme of love is something no human being could ever measure up to. So does our Lord present us with a command impossible to fulfill?

But actually, it happens whenever a mother or father sits by the bedside of a child suffering the terrible pain of a chronic illness or traumatic accident and, perhaps, even facing the prospect of death. Such a parent will invariably say 'I would rather suffer and die

than see my child suffer and die.' It is the same with a spouse seeing their much loved life partner in a similar situation. The desire to absorb the suffering of another, quite freely except for the compulsion of love, shows humanity at its best. This is the ultimate degree of com-passion, suffering with another, and is the closest a human being gets to the deep dimension of the way in which Our Lord loves the whole of humankind.

But each of us, usually to a lesser degree and in less fraught circumstances, has the opportunity to share in the anxieties, the fears, and to absorb, to some extent, the sufferings of others.

Together with imitating the other patterns of Jesus' earthly ministry, we are thus given the possibility of fulfilling the command: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

The effect of this sort of loving will be realised at the end of history when all such lovers will constitute a new way of humans living together, as in a wonderful city.

The vision of John, the seer, recounted in the second reading will come true. We are not destined to live in a garden of Paradise, but in a City: a complex way in which great numbers of people relate to each other.

'Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, "You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone."'

Let us together make our way to that future City, that future City made possible by the Divine Lover who took on our human nature and absorbed the worst that Death could do.

Let us together make our way to that future City, where God will wipe away all tears from our eyes.

There will be no more death and no more mourning or sadness.

And let us on the way to that future City start to transform human history by fulfilling our Lord's command: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

© Fr Michael Tate

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Parish Secretary Margaret Cooper

Bookkeeper Karen Price

Youth Ministry Co-ord. Michelle Chahine

School/Parish Liturgy L. Patricia Smith

Sacramental Team: kccpsacraments@gmail.com



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)

This Week's: Readings & Prayers

**5th week of EASTER**

**Monday 20/05**

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 14:5-18; Jn14:21-26

**Tuesday 21/05**

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31

**Wednesday 22/05**

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 15:1-6; Jn15:1-8

**Thursday 23/05**

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

**Friday 24/05**

**Our Lady, Help of Christians**  
Mass of Solemnity, Gloria, Creed  
Preface of the Virgin Mary I  
*Ritual Masses are prohibited.*  
Gen 3:9-15, 20; Eph3:14-19;  
Lk 8:19-21

**Saturday 25/05**

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 13:16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Dn Jim Caulfield, Rosalia Ruggiero,  
Maureen Cullen, Daniel Sanchez,  
Vojtech Stranak, Eileen Leyden

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Pamela Spooner, Ida O'Halloran,  
Donna and Peter O'Donohue,  
Moya Dawson (1 yr), Peter O'Halloran,  
Joseph Treacy, James Treacy

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:**

Eve Davis (4mths), 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 Joston,  
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  
**Other:** Brigitte Sharpe, Cordova  
Martinez.

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

**Carols Under  
the Star**

We are still seeking a new  
liaison person to represent  
St Bernard's on the  
committee. Please call the  
office to volunteer for this  
ecumenical event. *Thanks*



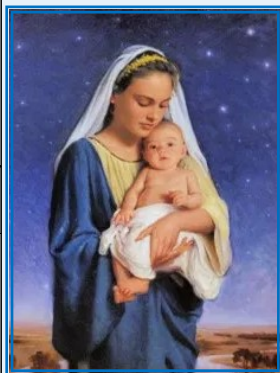
**Make sure your hair is combed ... it's time for the ANNUAL MAY MASS COUNT**

Every year in May a count of all parishioners is taken at all weekend Masses and a report returned to the Diocese of BB. The count commenced last weekend, and we trust this will continue to be undertaken with minimal devotional disturbance.

*Thank you for your understanding.*

**Prayers to Mary the Mother of God and all of us  
Our Lady, Help of Christians (Feast day May 24, this coming Friday)**

The feast of Our Lady Help of Christians was instituted by Pope Pius VII in 1915, in thanksgiving for the deliverance of the Holy See and the Papal States from the tyranny of Napoleon. What was really being celebrated was the emergence of the Church from the 'darkness' of the 18th Century and the very troubled years of the 19th Century in the Church's history. In this restoration Pope Pius VII did much to promote Marian piety among all. Mary, our Mother, has been venerated in the Litany under the title Help of Christians since at least the 16th Century. However, she was hailed as 'advocate' and 'intercessor' for many years before. By 1844, there were only three Bishops in Australia. At their very first Synod in that year, they requested the Pope to declare, as Australia's special patron, the Mother of God under the title of Mary Help of Christians with her feast to be celebrated on May 24th. The feast was celebrated from 1844, even though it was not officially approved by Rome until 1852. The infant Church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. In those early and mostly priestless days, it was largely the Rosary that kept the faith alive. Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary, and was the first nation to choose her, under the title of Help of Christians, as principal Patroness.



**Mary Help of Christians patroness of Australia  
and of the Military Ordinariate**

*Almighty God, deepen in our hearts  
our love of Mary Help of Christians.*

*Through her prayers and under her protection,  
may the light of Christ shine over our land.*

*May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.  
Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.*

*Bless especially the men and women  
of the Australian Defence Force and their families.*

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

*Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.*



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Fr Shaju & Fr Joy  
Parish Priests KCCP



*Adrienne Picone*

Adrienne Picone  
Chief Executive Officer  
Volunteering Australia



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opportunity to acknowledge  
our appreciation of all our  
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enthusiastic, and  
very modest  
volunteers  
in the public arena.

May the Good Lord bless you  
all abundantly for all your  
tireless works of Stewardship  
and please know how much  
you are each valued by our  
greater church community at  
Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish.

*Thank you one and all!*

**WEEKENDS COLLECTIONS**

**It is the 2nd Collection which is ESSENTIAL for our PARISH  
to FUNCTION FINANCIALLY**

and is used to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance, telecommunications,  
pastoral programmes, church and office expenses, wages, Priests' petrol etc.

**The 1st Collection:** goes to a common fund **outside the Parish** to support priests.





Thank you to all for your generous support of CWF. This appeal we raised \$9,761.60.



Our quota for this financial year was \$33,888.00 we raised \$30,941.55 leaving a shortfall of \$2,946.45.

Last minute generous donations gratefully accepted.



**Children's Choir** at St Patrick's welcomes young singers in Year 3 and above from at least seven different schools, including local high schools. Several of our young singers are also talented conductors, and direct the Choir during rehearsals and at 10am

Masses on 2nd and 4th Sundays. We are truly blessed to have so many talented young people willing to share their gifts in the service of their community. The Choir practises every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. New singers always welcome.

For our younger singers who also want to sing at parish Masses at St Patrick's, we have a newly-formed **Cherubs Choir**, for children from Kinder to Year 2. They are currently learning beginner choral skills and learning lots of songs to sing in church, with lots of music and actions. The **Cherubs** practise every Tuesday morning from 8.15 to 8.45am in St Patrick's church. Their next Mass will be on Sunday 9th June at 10am. New singers are welcome, as well as parent supervisors to join the team of volunteers. For information on any of the above please contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935



The **2019 Diocesan Children's Choir Games** will be held on Sunday 22 September, St Patrick's Church, Asquith.

Open to any young singer from Year 2 to Year 12. Registration opens at 12.30pm, followed by workshops and rehearsals plus a break for socialising.

Families and friends are invited to join the action at 3pm and watch the choirs compete.

Afternoon tea for all will be provided after the Games. Registration \$5.00 per singer.

Places are limited - please RSVP to [parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au) or on 9456 2450

**Discernment Evenings:** Everyone has a vocation, a special invitation from God to become holy and whole.

*To walk a unique, earthly path that leads ultimately to heaven.*

'Samuel Group' participants are encouraged to bring their unique questions, desires, strengths and weaknesses to God, and to learn to respond to His loving voice.

This discernment event is for young adults, who will meet together once every two months in order to pray, ask questions and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. We invite you to set aside a few hours on Wednesday evening May 29 in order to learn more about God and yourself and investigate your vocation, a special call from God, to leave a mark in this world.

**Date:** 29 May, 24 July, 2 October, 20 November; **Time** 5:30 – 7:30pm;

**Where:** Holy Name Parish, 35 Billyard Ave Wahroonga - **The Priory**



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**Term 3:** Wednesday 31 July and Friday 23 August

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**MEET IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

**Morning Tea Provided**

**ALL PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND CARERS WELCOME—NO RSVP REQUIRED**

Like more information?

Phone: 9477 3800,

or email [spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au)



**Vinnies Youth**  
 thank you for supporting their **Mother's Day Bake Sale.**



The St Vincent de Paul Asquith Youth Conference would like to warmly thank the parishioners of Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish for their ongoing support and love.

The bake sale raised approximately **\$560** that will be used to support the

Vinnies Conversations Conference, helping migrant and asylum seekers with their conversational language skills.

**'Conversations Club' - Helping local migrants learn English.**



**SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND INFORMATION EVENING**

**Father Stephen Wayovi, Assistant Parish Priest of St Agatha's Parish Pennant Hills**

will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on **Thursday 30th May 2019.**

Mass at **6.30PM** will be followed by dinner consisting of sandwiches, sausage rolls and fruit. We expect that the evening will be concluded by 9pm.

Father Stephen will be our guest speaker and will discuss the vocations activities of the Diocese and provide an update about our 9 Seminarians now studying at the Good Shepherd Seminary. Our Diocesan Vocations Officer, Michelle Chahine, will also be attending.

At the conclusion of Father Stephen's presentation, Terry Scanlan will be speaking about the history, activities/future activities and the objectives of Serra in Broken Bay.

If you would like to know more about vocations activities in the Diocese and how you may be able to play a part in supporting our existing vocations and encouraging new vocations please join us on the 30th May.

Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see".

*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.*

Please telephone:

Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com) if you would like to attend.

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**Pope's intention for May: The Church in**

**Africa, a Seed of Unity.** That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.



**Safeguarding**

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"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love." - John 15:9

**“Messy Parenting” Retreat Day - 23 May**  
 Hosted by Catholic Schools Office, Broken Bay.

Parents (and grandparents, carers) are very welcome to a day of Reflection on the topic: “Messy Parenting: Catholic Conversations About Raising a Family” With guest speakers Mike & Alicia Herson, from **The Messy Parenting Project** (Ohio, USA)

Thurs 23 May, 9.30am – 2pm. Held in the beautiful contemplative space of Canisius Spirituality Centre, Pymble.

Cost: \$20 payable on the day. RSVP: [jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

# ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 25/26 May—3th Sunday of Easter—Year C

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

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Apoc 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29



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

## St Bernard's Church

## St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)

	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 Satheesh	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Satheesh	Fr Satheesh	Fr Joy
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Alex Jarominek	Sue Lum	Matthew Cross	Francis W & Cristina G	Darrin Patterson
Server	Karina Bednarz Alodie Wheeler Jake Williams	Zinta Hartman Matthius McLoughlin 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	John Ryan Natasha Steele	School to arrange School to arrange	Lorraine Bongloy Les Fogden	Millie Wong Clarissa Baptista	David Massa Anne Perez	Kerrie O'Neill Paul O'Neill
Children's Liturgy	June 2, 2019 – Jackie T-F		June 2, 2019 – Grace M and Melissa M			
Communion to Sick	Michael O'Neill		Malcolm Cross & Sue Host			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Ning Biyo, Reese and Peter Nguyen, Cecilia Waite (f), Chichi Datoc (s).		Sophie Kwok (f), Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Rosemary Pendlebury			
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		May: David Hartmann, Matthew Tancred, Gerry Duffy			
Counters	Lyn Beacom, Catherine and Tony McMahon		Patrick O'Donoghue, Fiona Henrison, 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

<b>Rosary</b>	After weekday Masses both Churches
<b>Visit Housebound</b>	Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450
<b>Urgent sick calls</b>	Fr Shaju John 9456 7010 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery)
<b>Nursing Home Visits</b>	By request
<b>Clergy Days Off</b>	Fr Shaju John – Monday Fr Joy Thomas – Tuesday
<b>Home Visits</b>	For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests Please call the Office 9456 2450
<b>HOSPITAL ADMISSION:</b>	
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>	

## LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

◇ <b>May is the month of Mary</b>	
◇ <b>“Learning Together” playgroups at St Patrick's School — see inside for full details</b>	
<b>ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:</b>	
◇ Oz Rosary #53 Weekend of 24-26 May 2019	
◇ Discernment Evening May 29, 5.30-7.30pm Holy Name Wairoonga in The Priory	
◇ [Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB	
<b>POSITION VACANT</b>	Admin / PA to the Provincial, Vincentian Fathers—Based in Marsfield—see inside page for full details.


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