



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay

19 May 2024

Pentecost Sunday ~ Year B



*Seek God,
Find God,
Embrace 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.'

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: They were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

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

There will be

ONE Morning Mass only

on weekdays from 13 May - 14 June

St Patrick's 9am:

Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat

St Bernard's 9.15am: Wed ~ Fri

(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

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.*

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

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Email: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

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Assistant Priest: Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper

Parish Bookkeeper: Karen Price

Vol. Office Assistant: Jan Favaloro

Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill

(Email: kccpsacraments@gmail.com)



Dear parishioners,

Last Sunday we celebrated the Ascension of the Lord. Before his ascension into heaven, Jesus reminded his disciples regarding the promise of his Father that He would send them the Holy Spirit and that they would be filled with his power. Today with the whole church we celebrate **Pentecost Sunday** and is the last day of our Easter Season. The Easter/Paschal candle which is left near the ambo and is alight during liturgical celebration is given a place of honour in the baptistry after the Mass.

It is clear from the Gospels that the first followers of Jesus weren't strong, courageous, or even very faithful. They betrayed Jesus. They denied Jesus and deserted him at the very moment of his suffering. After his death they hid themselves away in fear. They had lost heart and hope.

However, after Pentecost, through the reception of the Holy Spirit, they were given new hope, new heart, and new purpose. Their fear and silence were replaced by courage and conviction. They left their hiding place and made their way into the streets and proclaimed the Good News.

My dear friends, we are no different than these ordinary people. As human beings we may not be strong, courageous, and even faithful. But through our baptism and confirmation, we are filled with the same Holy Spirit as the early disciples of Jesus. We are, in this millennium, commissioned to carry out the very same mission of those first disciples. Now more than ever, Jesus and his Gospel need to be proclaimed everywhere. Let us pray for each other that our hearts will be open to the renewing and strengthening power of the Holy Spirit as we respond to the needs of the Church by continuing his mission.

I wish you all a blessed Pentecost Sunday. *Fr Biju OSH, PP*

Position Vacant – Administration Assistant – 3 month Contract - KCCP

Fixed Term: 3 mths commencing 3 June – 28 August '24	Potential to become permanent
Mon - Fri 8.30am – 3.30pm (flexible)	\$28 per hour plus super

FULL DETAILS can be found at: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/about/contact-us/positions-vacant>

About the Role ~ Applications close on Friday 24 May 2024.

The Administration Assistant works with the Parish Priest to:

- Provide support to the Parish Priest and Parish Office including general administration;
- Welcomes visitors and general office duties; and
- Provides cover for staff leave and absences.

About You ~ You are experienced in office administration. You have a personal commitment and understanding of the Catholic Church. You will be able to meet most of the following selection criteria:

1. A personal commitment to the Catholic faith, an understanding of the Catholic Church, parish communities;
2. A sound knowledge of contemporary office administration processes;
3. Experience working cooperatively and productively with volunteers in a Christian environment;
4. A proven record of working harmoniously with stakeholders to achieve positive outcomes;
5. Proficient skills in contemporary computer applications including the Microsoft Office suite;
6. Excellent organisational skills and the ability to prioritise and reorganise priorities;
7. Excellent word processing, reception and telephone skills;
8. Excellent written & verbal communication skills including the ability to draft letters & other communications;
9. Working with Children Check (**WWCC**) clearance and Police Check;
10. A current NSW driver's licence.

Applicants for the position should include:

- A **Cover letter** explaining why you are interested in the role and how your experience and capabilities align with the selection criteria in relation to undertaking this role (refer to full details via link above); and
- **Curriculum Vitae**

If you would like to apply for the role, please email your application to biju.jose@bbcatholic.org.au

If you are interested please do not delay. Apply now as applications will be reviewed as they are received, and we may close an advertisement prior to any disclosed close date. Only candidates with the right to live and work in Australia should apply. No sponsorship is available for this position.

LIMITED PARKING!

Sundays only
in SPA school grounds



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



Pope's intention for May: For the formation of religious and seminarians.

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Monday 20/05 ~ Memorial

The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church

Gen 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday 21/05

James 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday 22/05

James 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday 23/05

James 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday 24/05 ~ Solemnity

Our Lady, Help of Christians

Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31;

James 3:13-18; Lk 1:39-56

Saturday 25/05

James 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Margaret Browne, Most Rev Bishop
Peter Ingham AM DD, Peter Barker

ANNIVERSARY: Ivan Relo, Ida
O'Halloran, Wendy Veliz Blanco,
Salvatore Giuffre, Josephine
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Antonietta Errico, Peter O'Donohue

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Chris Enright, Mary Mathew,
Philomena & Rex D'Souza, Isabel
Henson, Chichi Datoc, Mary Burns,
Rey Hilario, Georgina Hughes,
Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, John
Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary
Pendlebury-Grainger.

OTHER: Aubrey Bijen (Birthday)

The 250 Club!

Week 13 ~ 13/05/24;

Winning #: 348

Amt: \$25.00;

Winner: **Unsubscribed**



Things are
changing with our
Tap n Go (see
bottom of next
page for details)

Readings

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

(R) Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. **(R)**
2. You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **(R)**
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **(R)**

Second Reading Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of light, From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures
which endure; Come, thou light of all that live!
Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful
guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow;
Thou in toil art comfort sweet; Pleasant coolness in the
heat; Solace in the midst of woe.
Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of
thine, And our inmost being fill:
If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.
Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness
pour thy dew; Wash the stains of guilt away:
Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm
the chill; Guide the steps that go astray.
Thou, on us who evermore; Thee confess and thee adore;
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:
Give us comfort when we die; Give us life with thee on
high; Give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your
faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were
closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of
the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to
them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands
and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they
saw the Lord, and he said to them again,
'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

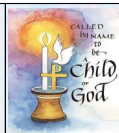
Reflection

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'At Pentecost,' says Pope Francis, 'the Spirit made the
apostles go forth from themselves and turned them into
heralds of God's wondrous deeds.' The Pope mentions
this in *Evangeli Gaudium*, his Apostolic Exhortation
focused 'on the proclamation of the Gospel in today's
world.' In it, he points out that 'Jesus wants evangelisers
who proclaim the good news not only with words, but
above all by a life transfigured by God's presence.'
Highlighting that we are called 'to pray and work,' the
Pope is concerned to encourage Christians to joy-filled
action. Pentecost is not only about what we receive, but
what we do in response. However important or useful our
interior prayers and personal pieties might be, any
authentic response to the Spirit should make us look
beyond ourselves. 'Mystical notions without a solid social
and missionary outreach are of no help to evangelisation,'
the Pope suggests. We are not called to be passive
receptacles, storing up fuzzy feelings. Action, therefore,
is crucial for Christian living. While acknowledging the
worthiness of initiatives like regular Eucharistic adoration,
the Pope stresses that the Christian calling should never
become 'a privatised lifestyle.' Our prayer should direct
us to sharing the love of Christ with others, especially
those in need. 'In union with Jesus,' the Pope says, 'we
seek what he seeks and love what he loves.' So, at
Pentecost we recall that having received the Spirit we are
not meant to retreat from the world, but rather become
Spirit-bearers to & in it.



Humbly we pray, that through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus and of us, together with the Communion of Saints, that all peoples will learn to live together in peace. Mary our Mother, Pray for us.



Welcome to our Faith Family

Baptism congratulations to

Jacob Parker Newson & Summer Ruth Goss

who are to be baptised this weekend.

Please keep them, their parents & Godparents in your prayers.



First Eucharist (Holy Communion)

Our parish sacramental team are currently preparing our young candidates to receive Jesus Christ for the first time in Holy Communion.

First Eucharist will take place in our parish on **Sunday 2 June 2024 during the**

9am Mass at St Bernard's & 10am Mass at St Patrick's.

Please keep them in your prayers.

"Connecting to the Mission of Jesus Christ!" MAY APPEAL

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care



Every gift makes a difference. THANK YOU!



Please give generously to our MAY 2024 APPEAL



The second and final Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal will take place

THIS WEEKEND 18/19 May 2024

This is the last opportunity to make a donation during the 2023/2024 financial year and claim it back on your tax with donations of \$2 and over being fully tax deductible.

Our quota to be paid to the Diocese this year is: **\$34,254.00**

Following the November Appeal we have a shortfall of **\$19,231 to make up in this final May Appeal.**

Any funds not collected via this appeal will need to be taken out of parish funds which would be otherwise used for projects within our own parish.

Envelopes are in the pews for your use.

In these difficult financial times, any donation you can afford to make, no matter what the size will be much appreciated.



ONE WEEKDAY Morning Mass ONLY will be offered in our parish from **Monday 13 May 2024 to Friday 14 June 2024** ~ being, **9am at St Patrick's Asquith ~ Monday // Tuesday // Thursday // Saturday 9.15am at St Bernard's Berowra Heights ~ Wednesday // Friday.**

Please Note: There will be **no change to weekend Masses**



ANNUAL MAY MASS COUNT

The count continues this weekend, and we trust this will be undertaken with minimal devotional disturbance. Thank you for your understanding.

All are welcome to come along to a Pentecost Praise evening filled with **'Spirit and Soup'**.

Please join Sarah, Adrian, and our WYD pilgrims, Becky, Rachel, Sophia and Michael at **St Patrick's chapel on Saturday 18th May 2024 from 7.30pm** for some spiritual praise to feed your soul, and we'll even provide a hot cup of soup to feed your body afterwards. Any queries Sarah can be contacted on sarahfoleymassa@gmail.com

No RSVP necessary, just come along, bring a friend, your voice and an open heart.



Bernie's Ladies had a fabulous celebration of all things "Mother's Day" last Friday evening.

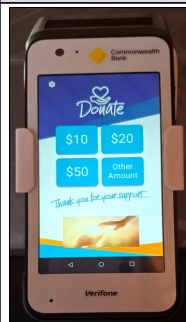
A great time was had by all at Absolute Thai, Berowra with a great turn up of old, older, and new Parishioners. There were fun discussions about trips to Fiji with amusing tales of Fijian massages and to finish the evening a bottle of Moet Chandon was won. We sincerely hope **YOU** can join us for some more fun times with friends next term. Keep an eye out for this space.

'The goal of Bernie's Ladies is to build community across our entire parish'



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

Music psychologists tell us that because of the connection to the limbic system in the brain, we can have very strong emotional responses to music. Last Sunday's Mother's Day Mass certainly showed us that! Singing in a choir can provide all sorts of other benefits such as better musical memory and better understanding of music, as well as all the social benefits. If you'd like your child to come along and be part of the Choir, come to our next practice in St Patrick's church on Fridays from 4 to 5pm. The Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Further information: Patricia Smith 9482 7935.



Tap n Go ~ As technology continuously moves on - we have to keep pace, so that means ... the "old 3G network" no longer works in our churches and we have upgraded our **Tap n Go** equipment to a **SMART Terminal** which is a fancy way of saying it can handle the 4G network.

- The **SMART Terminal** offers more pre-set amount options for quicker tapping, as well as optional ways to use your card.
- ◇ You can select from the set amount of \$10; \$20; \$50 or you may enter another amount.
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- ◇ If the screen has gone into sleep mode - please ask the clergy or a senior server to assist.

With less and less people carrying cash, the amount collected in the traditional way of putting money on the plate has decreased significantly and unfortunately folk have not addressed this by switching to credit card giving. **By tapping on your way into Mass, or as you leave Mass**, your contribution will profoundly assist the parish to meet its financial obligations.

Your support through the use of the Smart Terminal is much appreciated. Thank you, Fr Biju.

Rosters & Readings for W/end – 25th/26th May 2024 – The Most Holy Trinity - Year B - Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Acolyte / Snr Server	Matthew Waite	Sub requested	Mani Subramany	John Messina	David Massa	Sue Lum
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Verity Hartmann Joshua Rumble	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Oscar Braga Lucy Henao Vila	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed
Reader (1)	Jerome Gomez	Zinta Hartmann	Hayley Rodrigues	Maria (Cris) Tolentino	Jo Quinlan	Gabriel Henao
Reader (2)	Donna Machado	Alena Hartmann	Sue Watts	Jim Fitzgerald	Cora Cuasay	Les Fogden
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	GC, Cecilia Waite (f), Chichi Datoc (s)		Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Leticia Wee, Ben Edwards, Michelle Hwang (f)			
Maintenance	Team A & B -(help always needed & appreciated)		May: Luke Massa, David Mooney, (John & Sue O'Malley-5th May)-help always needed			

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*.

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING ~
 Father Kelvin Lovegrove PP of Holy Name Parish Wahroonga will celebrate Mass for Serra at **Sacred Heart Church 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble** on Thursday 23rd May 2024 at **6pm** followed by a light meal and short meeting.
Following the meeting our guest speaker will be Tim Curran, Executive Director of CatholicCare in our Diocese who will provide us with an overview of all their activities. Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see" and learn about all the amazing services provided by CatholicCare. For catering kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email henrywk@yahoo.com.au or Ph: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com

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Wednesday 22 May '24
 LOCC, Yardley Ave Waitara, NSW
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 Talk begins at 7pm

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