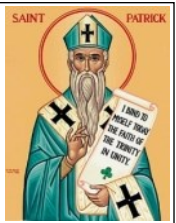


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 20th May 2018 ~ Pentecost Sunday ~ Year B



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

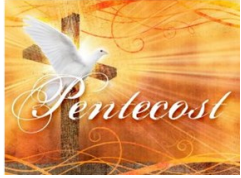
Acts 2:1-11; Gal 5:16-25 or 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 15:26-27, 16: 12-15 or Jn 20:19-23

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 season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, **the feast of Pentecost.**

On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks **the beginning of the Church.**

The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is to know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between **the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit.** Jesus greets his

disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "**As the Father has sent me, so I send you.**" He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that **the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world.** The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiveness of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

(Loyola Press)

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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 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
9am Wednesday
9am Friday
First Friday-St Bernard's 10.30am Adoration
11.00am Reconciliation
11.30am Healing Mass
St Patrick's 8am Wednesday and Friday
9am Monday, Tuesday, Thurs, Sat.
RECONCILIATION
Every Saturday 9.30 am at St Patrick's
Every Friday After 9am Mass at St Bernard's,
(except First Friday—see above)

Invitation

You are cordially invited to a very special parish event the Installation of Fr Shaju John OSH as Parish Priest of Ku-ring-Gai Chase Catholic Parish

When: Sunday 27 May Time: 10am Mass

Where: St Patrick's Asquith

Presider: Bishop Peter A Comensoli

Very Important Person: Our very own Parish Priest, Fr Shaju John OSH

This will be an important celebration of unity and thanksgiving for all the parish as it will

mark the first time in 7 years that our parish will have an actual Parish Priest of our own.

We would love to have as many parishioners as possible attend this very special mass.

There will be a celebratory barbecue after Mass in the parish hall and you are asked to bring along a plate to share, perhaps a salad, quiche, pasta dish, fried rice etc. Fr Shaju looks forward to greeting you all on the day as you celebrate this milestone with him.

And the winners of our Mothers' Day Guessing Competition are ...

Each of our winners had the closest to correct guess

Asquith: Sriyani Dias who guessed 367

Berowra Heights: Colyn Henrison who guessed 359



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May ~ Evangelization The Mission of Laity That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.



Safeguarding Message: May ~ Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults is a practical living out of the baptismal vocation of every member of the Church to ensure the safety and well-being of those whom the Lord sets before us as those to whom the 'Kingdom of God belongs' (Mt 19:14).

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS
and PRAYERS**

ORDINARY TIME 7th Week

Monday 21/05

Weekday, Ordinary Time 7
Mass ad libitum
Preface of Weekday
James 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday 22/05

Weekday, Ordinary Time 7
Mass ad libitum
Preface of Weekday
James 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday 23/05

Weekday, Ordinary Time 7
Mass ad libitum
Preface of Weekday
James 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday 24/05

Our Lady, Help of Christians
Mass of the Solemnity, Gloria, Creed
Preface of the Virgin Mary I-II
Prov #1:10-13, 19-20, 30-31;
James 3:13-18; Lk 1:39-56

Friday 25/05

Weekday, Ordinary Time 7
Mass ad libitum
Preface of Weekday
James 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday 26/05

St Philip Neri, priest
Mass of the Saint
Preface of Weekday or saint
James 5:13-20; Mk 10: 13-16

**Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish
REMEMBERS & PRAYS for...**

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Antonio Concepcion,
Carol Fiorino, Greg Glanz,
Moya Dawson

ANNIVERSARIES:

Ida O'Hallaran

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Maureen Sharpe, Ewa Rakoczy,
Barbara Halliday, Jean Cook,
Morrie Ramsden, Betty Borg,
Frank McLenaghan, Edwina
Subramany, Brian Neary, Aiko
Concepcion, John Messina, Darcy
Green, Ellen Asistente, Alfredo
De Ramos, Marcelina De Ramos,
Patricia Pascuzzo,
Sam Calacoci, Matthew Conlon,
John Buckley, Kath Lock,
Narelle Cartwright, Arlene Josen,
Dn Jim Caulfield, John Macy,
Mary Fernandes, Maciej
Maciejewski, Matthew Sutton,
Barbara Jones, Patricia Sanders,
Cadia Maestri, Monique Leyden,
Robert Conlon, Patrick Dorahy,
Alfredo De Ramos Sr, Barbara &
Frederick Novak, Tom Dawson
OTHER: Ella's intention for the
poor and unwell



Children's Liturgy KCCP today at St Patrick's and St Bernard's

We would like to invite our 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**

May 20, 2018 ~ Marta C-F.

**10am Mass
@ St Patrick's**

Please sign your child in at the school/parish hall from 9.45am prior to the 10am Mass commencing.
May 20, 2018 ~ Nicola D, Sarah C & Luke A

Growing Young in Christ ~ A spiritual letter from Most Rev Peter A Comensoli to Christ's Faithful in Broken Bay This Pentecost, Bishop Peter has written to the people of Broken Bay calling on them to reflect deeply on what it means to be Young in Christ. In this Year of Youth and as we journey towards the Plenary Council of 2020, this question in itself is a way to direct our hearts and minds to the journey ahead. The Spiritual Letter can be found on the Diocesan website: www.bbcatholic.org.au and a video featuring some of our CYBBies will be made available for Parishes over the next few days – an energetic call to take up the challenge of making a youthful 'yes' to Christ. Copies of the Letter are available today at the back of our churches and will help you to explore who we are, and who we are called to be, as Church.



**Plenary Council 2020 –
Listen to what the Spirit is saying.**

“Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops’ decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. All people are invited to reflect on the question: **“What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?”**

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.



The Plenary Council, through its listening and dialogue sessions, will give all people the opportunity to share what is on their mind and in their heart toward the future of the Church in Australia. It is an opportunity to speak boldly but also listen with an open and humble heart. Learn more about the process by visiting the national Plenary Council website: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au and look out for the announcement of local listening sessions in your local parish, school and faith community, or you may contact Pina Bernard from the DBB.E: pina.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au or ph: 8379 1627

Extract from a reflection on Pentecost by Mark Francis, CSV | June 4, 2017

It seems to me that what we have read today is crucial for understanding Pope Francis' focus on **joy as the Spirit's gift to believers** and a necessary requirement for being credible evangelizers. He has pointed out that we sometimes place too much emphasis on Church structures and ways of proceeding that often make us tentative and self-conscious, isolating us from discerning the real needs of our suffering world. He has also pointed out that our narrow perspectives often blind us to the amazing ways in which God has moved in all human cultures. **The Spirit empowers us** to leave the security of the upper room -- our comfortable ways of doing things -- and equips us to **reach out with joy to humanity** in all its diversity and complexity. **Pope Francis**, quoting the *Aparecida* document of the Latin American Bishops' Conference, prays that "...the world of our time, which is searching, sometimes with anguish, sometimes with hope, be enabled to receive the good news not from evangelizers who are dejected, impatient, or anxious, but from ministers of the Gospel whose lives glow with fervor, who have received the joy of Christ."

Like Jesus's first disciples we cannot leave the upper room without help. **We need the Spirit** in order to shed our fear and go out to the streets and witness to what God raising Christ from the dead really means for our world: justice, mercy, compassion toward the poor, community with one another, self-sacrifice and forgiveness. This is why **Pentecost has been called the "birthday" of the Church**. And the most important lesson at this birthday celebration is to remind ourselves that this **amazing power to communicate the Good News and to move hearts and minds** is not due to our efforts or our cleverness. It **comes from God's Spirit** that enables us to witness to the One who suffered, died and rose again for us to transform our fears -- and our world.



Children's Choir will be joining with the **Senior Parish Choir** and other parish **musicians** for Fr Shaju's installation as parish priest at 10am Mass Sunday 27 May. Music practice will be held at St Patrick's at 9am immediately before the Mass.

Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays except during school holidays, and practises every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. New members are always welcome, Year 3 and up. Enq: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

We extend a warm KCCP welcome to Seminarian ~ Aldrin Valdehueza



Many of you had the pleasure of meeting Aldrin last weekend but we thought you might like to know a little more about him. Aldrin hails from the Philippines and is currently studying to become **a priest at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush.** Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish is to be Aldrin's 'home parish' for a period of time and will be his home base when away from the seminary. *Aldrin, the parishioners of KCCP warmly welcome you and offer you our friendship, hospitality and prayers during your time with us.*



... it's time for the MASS HEAD COUNT

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



Did you know? Youth **Alpha for Year 6** is currently being held at St Bernard's, Berowra Heights and it is going really well!

Under the guidance of Michelle Chahine, our youth co-ordinator, our Year 6 children are very open to the videos and discussion. We are now on the fourth week and quickly approaching the 'Retreat Day' which forms part of the programme.

On Friday 8 June we will be taking the children away from school for a day to pray for the Holy Spirit at St. Benedict's Monastery in Arcadia, and we need your help.

The parish will be funding their morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea but the biggest expense is transportation.

We need to hire a Bus to transport them safely to and from their 'Retreat Day at Arcadia'.

So, once again we look to your generosity and assistance in offsetting the cost of hiring a bus. Donations can be placed in the Alpha boxes at the back of our churches or given to Fr Shaju, Michelle or myself. We thank you for your ongoing support to the parish and Alpha programme, and ask for your continuous prayers for our children during their Alpha course. *Fr. Shiju Simon*

Life Goes On

In three words

I can sum up everything I've learned about life:

it goes on.

(Robert Frost)

ACU Short Courses

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a public Short Course **"From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals"** at Strathfield in the Gleeson Auditorium on 4 Wednesday evenings in July. Leading scholars will investigate a Christian theology of dying and death and explore how the Order of Christian Funerals celebrates death in a specifically Catholic way. Experienced priests and funeral directors will discuss how they care for the dead and for those who grieve. There will also be an opportunity to prepare a Catholic funeral for yourself or a loved one. Registration essential, at: http://www.acu.edu.au/acu_centre_for_liturgy/short_courses For more info. ph: 9701 4751.

This is a most generous parish, always ready to help others less fortunate, THANK YOU. Your recent donations have provided the following assistance:

	Good Friday Collection to assist in maintaining the Holy Lands ~ \$1980.00	<p>The Diocese of Broken Bay CWF Appeal to assist and support five worthy causes across our Diocese Hooray, we reached our yearly quota of \$34,803</p> <p><i>[This covers our entire levy by the Diocese for the 2017/2018 period, which means no 'shortfall' needs to be taken from parish funds, yeah!]</i></p>
	Caritas Australia to assist with Project Compassion needs ~ \$8018.00	
	Mother's Day Guessing Competition to assist with general parish needs ~ \$240.00	

Can you help us? We have misplaced 2 Green, 1 Pink and 2 checked (red & green) tablecloths.

Perhaps you took them home to launder and simply forgot to bring them back.

No judgement here, we simply ask for their return for future parish events.

'For there is nothing lost, that may be found, if sought' ~ Edmund Spenser—The Faerie Queen



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING ~ with Fr Stephen Wayoyi AJ

Fr Stephen, AP at St Agatha's Pennant Hills and in Vocations Ministry for the Diocese, will celebrate Mass for Serra at **6.30pm at Sacred Heart Church 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on Thursday 24 May 2018.** Mass is at and is followed by a short meeting and a light meal.

After the meal Father Stephen will be our guest speaker. He will speak to us about his vocation journey in Kenya and Australia and his work in the vocations ministry in the Diocese.

Everyone is welcome to join us. 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 if attending.

Come On Join The Club!

The 250 Club!

Series 2, 2018 HAS STARTED

If you haven't done so already, now is the time to pay for Series 2.

Please organise for your \$20 to paid to the parish office asap. Payment can be placed in an envelope on the plate with your details and numbers clearly noted or contact the parish office to pay via direct debit or credit card.

Numbers available why not try your luck !

For more information please call the parish office on 9456 2450 and speak to either Marg or Karen.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMENT: (Paul Cramsie)

Bishop Long, chairman of the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council, has issued a pastoral letter marking the feast of St Joseph the Worker. In it he says: "On this Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, let us consider the importance of the just wage. This is particularly important in today's Australia, where wage growth has been very slow and low-paid workers often experience real hardship. The Church has stressed the fundamental importance of fair remuneration for work. A just wage will meet the immediate needs of workers and their families and also allow them to save for the future. It ensures the prosperity of a society is shared adequately and that the social, economic and cultural life of the community is allowed to flourish. Workers cannot be valued only by their cost or treated simply as a factor of production. ... The common good will never be served unless we ensure the greatest support to those most in need. Ultimately, the just wage is the means of verifying the justice of the whole socioeconomic system."



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

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 26th / 27th May—The Most Holy Trinity

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

Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8: 14-17; Mt 28: 16-20

	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 Shiju Simon	Fr Shiju Simon	Fr Shaju John	Bishop Peter Installation Mass of Fr Shaju John as PP	Fr Shiju Simon
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Denis Steiner	Darrin Patterson	Sue Lum	John Messina	Keith Fone
Server	Karina Bednarz Marissa Maatouk Molly Summerhayes	Maddi Durnell Max Jarominek Matthius McLoughlin	Jessica Pennings	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young Jimmy O'Connor	Lucy Triantafyllis Madeleine Drake Chloe Thomas Jake D	Ellen Rawsthorn
Reader	Jerome Gomez John Ryan	Denise Harant Paul Maher	Lorraine Bongloy Paul Worthington	Dan Leavy(sub. Req.) Millie Wong	School to arrange " "	Kerry O'Neill Paul O'Neill
Children's Liturgy	May 20, 2018, Marta C-F		May 20, 2018 Nicola D, Sarah C & Luke A			
Communion to Sick	Kerrin Enright, Chris Enright		Millie Wong, Cynthia Gilbertson			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Cecilia Waite (f), Ning Biyo, Reese & Peter Nguyen, Anne Bourke (s)		Lyn Vila, Angie Pulanco, Leala Fowler, Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer (Saturday)			
Maintenance	Team A: Peter, Paul, Mark, Tony		May: Bill Holmes, Bill Hester, John Hajduk			
Counters	Mark Birrell, Peter Formby		Keith Loughland, Les Fogden, Alan Henson			

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 Shiju Simon 9456 2450
Urgent sick calls Fr Shaju John 9456 7012 (Presbytery)
 Fr Shiju Simon 9476 8843 (Presbytery)
Nursing Home Visits By request
Clergy Days Off Fr Shaju John — Monday
 Fr Shiju Simon — Tuesday
Home Visits For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests
 Please phone the Pastoral Centre 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

* **ALPHA 6** — a special journey of faith with our Year 6 students at SBB
 * **Fr Shaju installation as PP @ 10am Mass Sunday 27 May at St Patrick's, Asquith** —

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

* [Palms Information Sessions](#) Parramatta and Sydney in May.
 * Life Marriage & Family Weekly Notice from the DBB.
 * Vocations Office DBB 2018—you're invited to attend opportunities for prayer, discernment and inquiry if considering a vocation to priesthood or diaconate.
Vocations.Ministry@dbb.org.au

250 Club: Wk 1: 15/05/18 - # 880 - \$25.00 And the winner is: *G. O'Malley*

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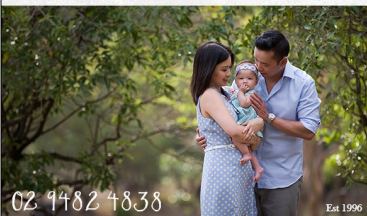
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