



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay

21 July 2024 ~ Year B

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.



*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'

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

While Fr Biju is on leave
(17 July - 2 Aug) **there will be**
ONE Morning Mass only
on weekdays

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)

Opening Hours: 9am - 3.30pm, Mon-Fri

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Vol. Office Assistant: Jan Favaloro

Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill

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Reflection

Jesus chose disciples to continue his work; he instructed them and empowered them. He sent them out on a mission, and they returned. People followed them, because they wanted to hear what Jesus and the disciples had to say; they wanted to be released from the sickness and the demons that possessed them.

There are so many searching people in the world today, people hungering for instruction, good people looking for direction. They may be parents who are sick with grief over the future of a troubled child; a man stripped of his dignity through unemployment; a woman facing a pregnancy alone; elderly people feeling the surge of life leave their declining bodies; people who are angry and confused because they believe that the church is no longer dependable. They are people who are looking for answers and for meaning. They are like sheep without a shepherd, and Jesus looks to us to shepherd them.

In the midst of this confusion, there are reliable shepherds who walk with us in the dark valleys. They are willing to share the dangers through which we pass, even at the risk of their own safety. They do not pit one segment of the community or one theological perspective against another, scattering the sheep and driving them away. Instead, they work to dismantle the walls that divide us. They speak the word that gathers us together. They reconcile us with God and with each other. They may not give us easy answers, but their primary concern is to lead us to Jesus, the one who is our peace.

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Now Open:

Confirmation enrolment 2024

Confirmation Enrolment is now open to any child who has already been Baptised, is over the age of 8 and in Year 3, or above. The Enrolment form and schedule is now available on the Parish website and from our Churches.

Parents/guardians please note this essential element to enrolling your child/ren.

The mandatory Parent Talk will take place on:

Tuesday 6 August 2024 - 7.30pm-8.30pm at St Bernard's Church, Berowra Hts.

If you **cannot** or **do not** attend this talk, **without exception, you will be required to make an appointment for a one-on-one interview with Father Biju** to discuss your non-attendance and to seek permission for your child/ren to proceed in the 2024 Confirmation preparation programme.

**Confirmation
2024
Sunday
15th September**

**10am @
St Patrick's
Catholic Church,
Asquith
(during parish Mass)**

**2pm @
St Bernard's
Catholic Church,
Berowra Heights
(Special Mass)**

LIMITED PARKING!
Sundays only
 in SPA school grounds

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

Pope's intention for July:
For the Pastoral care of the sick. We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones, the power of the Lord, and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year B
Monday 22/07 ~ Feast
 St Mary Magdalene
 Song 3:1-4 or 2 Cor 5:14-17;
 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Tuesday 23/07
 Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday 24/07
 Jer 1:1, 4-10; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday 25/07 ~ Feast
 St James, apostle
 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Friday 26/07 ~ Memorial
 St Joachim & Anne - parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Sirach 44:1, 10-15; Mt 13:16-17
Saturday 27/07
 Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:
 Bishop Kevin M Manning DD,
 Marie Haag, Rex D'Souza,
 Belen Joson, Sue Simmons

ANNIVERSARY:
 Pastor Alvarado, Dr Ken Gray, Wilford Long, Grace Rego, Gary Simpson, Christin Simpson

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:
 Leanne Scott, Ann Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Vince Hughes, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio, Fiona Loughland, Pat Bowden, Bill Holmes, Chris Enright, Mary Mathew, Philomena & Isabel Henson, Chichi Datoc, Mary Burns, Rey Hilario, Georgina Hughes, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, John Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.

Use our Smart Terminals to Tap 'n' Go
In fact, your 'Tap' is vital in helping the parish to 'Go'
 Your donations help to pay for regular parish expenses, eg Hosts, electricity, water, etc.

Readings

First Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

(R) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **(R)**
- He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. **(R)**
- You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **(R)**
- Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R)**

Second Reading Ephesians 2:13-18

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 6:30-34



The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat.

So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

The Gospel of the Lord All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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NB: Change to our Weekday Mass Schedule up to and including **Friday 2 August**

Whilst Fr Biju is on leave, there will be **ONE Morning Mass ONLY** on weekdays in our parish, 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.**

KEEP CALM AND JOIN

The 250 Club!

This vital fundraising club has been running in the parish for literally decades!

Don't delay! Get onboard today!

The 250 Club! Dear all, the second of our 'two-per-year' series of the 250 Club for 2024 will commence soon and we are looking for more members so we can give away more money!

If you are already a member, (*and are unfinancial*), you will soon receive a reminder email from our bookkeeper.

If you are financial you won't hear from us ... UNLESS YOU WIN A PRIZE OF COURSE !!

We have 'blocks of four numbers' available now so why not be part of the fun ~ \$1 per week paid in advance for the 20 week series means your investment of just \$20 offers you **the chance of winning \$25 each week AND one chance in every five weeks of winning \$500!** To get on board this simple but effective parish initiative please contact the office on 9456 2450 or email parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

SAVE THE DATE:

We'll be celebrating all Grandparents on ~ Sunday 28th July 2024.

Please join us at

9am Mass, St Bernard's Berowra Hts or 10am Mass, St Patrick's, Asquith, after which tea and coffee, great company and loads of community spirit will be available.

Maybe you would like to showcase your culinary skills by sharing your Grannies famous Sponge Cake or Pumpkin Scones!

If you could bring along a plate of any sort to share that would be terrific.

We look forward to seeing you!



Ministry to the Sick and Housebound



URGENT APPEAL: For Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion
The ranks of our volunteers on the roster for all facilities visited by KCCP desperately **NEED YOUR HELP** to take Christ in Holy Communion to ...

- † the faithful who are Housebound in their own homes
- † the faithful in Aged Care at Christophorus House & Regis Hornsby
- † the faithful in Mt Wilga Rehabilitation Hospital

Our parish has been blessed with a dedicated group of volunteers in this ministry but for various reasons we now need some new volunteers to bolster the ranks.

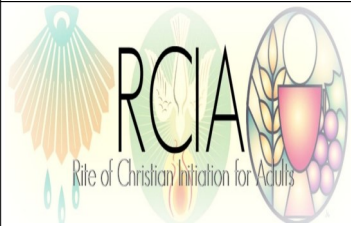
Job description: Taking Our Lord in Communion to our faith community who are in Mt Wilga Rehabilitation Hospital, Christophorus House, Regis Aged Care Hornsby, and in private homes.

Requirements: Yes, there are some, but isn't that typical of most places these days? You will require a Working With Children Clearance (which also covers the vulnerable) and this protects you every bit as much as it protects those you visit with. If you choose to visit at Regis you will need a Workers Screening Clearance also, but the office staff can, and are happy to, assist you every step of the way to meet these requirements.

Reward: The look of appreciation on residents faces because **YOU**, have taken the time to bring them **CHRIST in Communion**, when they cannot physically worship with us in person.

Please get involved and be part of this very rewarding Ministry by contacting the Parish Office on 9456 2450 or by emailing parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

With thanks for your consideration, I pray God will bless us with new volunteers very soon, Fr Joy.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults "It takes a parish to Raise a Christian"

Thank you to those of you who have decided to be part of the process of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you've missed out on joining this wonderful ministry, please contact me, on 0400 300 598, or call the parish office so you can be included in our team meeting soon. *Sue Newnham.*

Each enquirer must have a sponsor to accompany them on their journey to baptism. Please consider signing up to be a possible sponsor for one of the enquirers. You don't need expertise in theology- just an open heart, a friendly smile and the willingness to spend time with someone as they navigate their way into our community.



ATTENTION

Do you hold ~ Planned Giving Envelope Numbers 44 or 45?

Recently the above new sets of Planned Giving Envelopes were issued by the office, however, the piece of paper with the details to whom they were issued has gone missing. **Therefore, if you now have the newly issued PGE's numbered 44 or 45 please contact the parish office as soon as possible** on 9456 2450 or E: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au *Thank you :)*



Year of Prayer 2025

Our Vicar General, the Very Rev Dr David Ranson, has prepared a Meditation Series of Christian Prayer.

This is in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee. The Introduction to the series and the first three videos in the series can be found at <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/mission/year-of-prayer> or on the Diocese YouTube channel

Taxation receipts for Contributions to Pastoral Works Broken Bay and Caritas are now available.

- * Many receipts were recently emailed. (Pls check Junk box)
- * If we do not have a current email address for you, your receipt will be at the back of the church. If you do have an email address please provide it to the office for next year by emailing parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au
- * If not in either place, please contact the office on 9456 2450.

Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Evening 2024



Thursday 25 July;
6pm for 6.30pm start.
The Epping Club
45-47 Rawson St, Epping.
Keynote speaker: John Lochowiak, Chair NATSICC

Register at: trybooking.com/CTCFO by Wednesday 17 July
OR Scan the QR Code.

No cost for the evening and Dinner is included. For further enquiries, contact mission@bbcatholic.org.au



Alan Francis Henson
OAM

Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

will resume regular rehearsals **THIS FRIDAY** 26th July, at 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. Any young person from Year 3 and up is welcome to come along and join the Choir at any point during the year, from any school in the area up to Year 12. We've just entered our 20th year of operation, looking forward to lots of fun and adventures ahead, and we'd love you to join us. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month except January. Enquiries to: Patricia Smith 9482 7935.



VOCATIONS! IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Father Robert Borg, Parish Priest of The Lakes Parish will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble on Thursday 25th July 2024.

The evening commences with Mass at **6pm** followed by a light meal and a short meeting. **Everyone is welcome.**

Following the meeting Father Robert will be our guest speaker. His topic will be the Jubilee Year 2025.

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email henrywk@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.

	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	Barbara McCullen	Volunteer now	Francis Lizardo	Malcolm Cross	Sue Lum
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Archie Todd Harry Todd	Sophia Cottrell Miranda Tablizo	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Oscar Braga Thomas Clarke	Volunteer now Volunteer now
Reader (1)	Celia Cox	Paul Maher	Penny Loughland	Vivienne Schreiber	Jo Quinlan	Sub requested
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Denise Harant	Miguel Do Rego	Russell Schreiber	Sandra Maloney	Sub requested
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	GC; Cecilia Waite (f); Chichi Datoc (s)		Pat Smith, Marion Pahalawatta, Bernadette Or; Ellen Downey (f) (help always needed & appreciated)			
Maintenance	Team A & B -(help always needed & appreciated)		July: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow			

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*.

Wills, Enduring Guardianship and Powers of Attorney



Free Seminar
for the Catholic community of Broken Bay featuring an expert legal advisor.

Free Seminar & Morning Tea

Do you have a Will or need it updated?
Do you know what Enduring Guardianship is,
or want to know more about Bequests?

The Diocese is hosting a 'Free Seminar and Morning Tea' to answer all your questions with lawyer and our very own KCCP parishioner.

Cecilia Castle on Tuesday, 20 August 2024
(10.30am to 12.30pm)

at The Epping Club, Epping.

To know more, please send an email to events@bbcatholic.org.au



Presenter
Cecilia Castle

Principal of Castle Lawyers, will present and answer questions from her legal expertise of over

35 years. Cecilia is a regular speaker and writer on legal topics, and a parishioner in the Diocese of Broken Bay.

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