



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay

23 June 2024 ~ Year B

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them forever.

Communion Antiphon: The eyes of all look to you, Lord and you give them their food in due season.

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 Patrick's, Asquith

8am	Wednesday and Friday
9am	Mon, Tues, Thurs, Saturday

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

8am	Thursday
9.15am	Wednesday and Friday

(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.*

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Dear Parishioners,

Last Saturday, we had a **YOUTH MASS** at St Bernard's, Berowra. Although they were few in number, it was wonderful, and they enjoyed it, the home made pizza's were certainly a hit!!

Thanks to all who responded to the invitation. Also, my gratitude to Moauli and Freda who went to great efforts to organise it.



This Sunday, the parish **CHILDREN'S CHOIR** is celebrating 19 years since it began in 2005. Over that time, many, many young people have found a welcoming place in this small Christian community. From a small group of six children, mostly from St Patrick's school, the Choir has grown to its current enrolment of more than thirty, from at least eight different schools. Every Friday after school for the past nineteen years, these children have gathered, usually noisy, often tired, mostly keen, adventurous, demanding, challenging, hilarious, ready to sing and to learn about the Gospel, and to grow as a faith-filled, Spirit-led community within our parish community. Some stay only for a short time; others stay with the choir for more than a decade and give the choir its unique character.

Parents and families have always given their unfailing support and encouragement, some families having three or even four children in the Choir. On two Sundays a month, they lift up the hearts and minds of the people around them to God, in prayer and in song, bringing beauty and life to the liturgy.

I take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful directors, amazing cantors of all ages, accompanist, instrumentalists, and singers. In a special way, I acknowledge and appreciate the dedication of Patricia Smith who generously spends her time and talents for the Children's choir assisting them to be the best they can be. Thank you parents that you are willing to take several hours out of your busy schedules to bring your children to the rehearsal and Sundays. Over the years, they have sung and learned and played and celebrated together, but most of all they have grown in the love of God through their service and their living prayer-in-action. May God bless you all.

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

The Voice which Accompanies to the Other Side

According to St Paul **'the whole of creation... is yearning to share in the glory promised to the children of God.'** (Romans 8)

In the meantime it is as though from the beginning every element of the universe is **'listening out'** for the word which will bring it into harmony with that deepest yearning, listening so as to exist in a way which is never destructive of God's plan for humanity and all other creatures.

And that is what happens in this gospel episode.

What is the situation of creation?

One has a howling wind, shrieking against every timber of the boat, storm-tossed waves threatening to engulf and sink the boat.

What word is heard by these elements of the universe?

A word which they hear even as they are at their most destructive.

'Quiet, be still.' And there was a dead calm. Why?



'Who can this be?
Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

Mark 4:41

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Pope's intention for June:

For migrants fleeing their home. We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Monday 24/06 ~ Solemnity
The Nativity of St John the Baptist
Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26;
Lk 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday 25/06
2 Kg 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-36
Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday 26/06
2 Kg 22:8-13, 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday 27/06
2 Kg 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

Friday 28/06 ~ Memorial
St Irenaeus, bishop, martyr
2 Kg 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday 29/06 ~ Solemnity
Sts Peter & Paul, apostles
Acts 3:1-10; Gal 1:11-20;
Jn 21:15-19

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Remembers & Prayers for...

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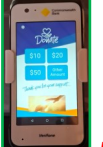
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De Souza, Harry Fox, Geoff Hore,
Maree Hayden, Judith Huntley.
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Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Vince
Hughes, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio,
Fiona Loughland, Pat Bowden, Bill
Holmes, Margaret Patterson, 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.

The 250 Club!



Week 18 ~ 17/06/24
Winning #: 068
Amt: \$25.00;
Winner: Matthew Waite

You can still Tap n Go using our Smart Terminals ~



In fact, we need your 'Tap' to ensure our parish continues to 'Go'

Please donate to help pay for regular parish expenses, eg Hosts, electricity, water, etc.

Readings

First Reading Job 38;1,8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said:

Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

(R) Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting .

1. Some sailed to the sea in ships to trade on the mighty waters. These men have seen the Lord's deeds, the wonders he does in the deep. **(R)**
2. For he spoke; he summoned the gale, tossing the waves of the sea up to heaven and back into the deep; their soul melted away in their distress. **(R)**
3. Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper: all the waves of the sea were hushed. **(R)**
4. They rejoiced because of the calm and he led them to the haven they desired. Let them thank the Lord for his love, the wonders he does for men. **(R)**

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.'

And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him.

Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped.

But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again.

Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

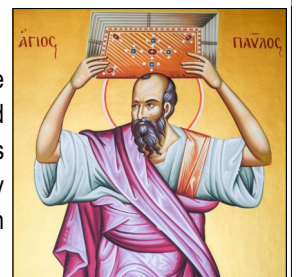


On Monday 24 June the Church will be celebrating the Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist. It is a celebration of the miraculous birth of John the Baptist after both his parents Zechariah and Elizabeth passed the age of child bearing . Through the gift of his birth God sent John to prepare the way for Jesus and become a great witness to Jesus. **"For nothing will be impossible with God."**

Saints Peter and Paul



On Saturday 29 June the Church will turn its attention to the Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles. Both of them followed Jesus, proclaimed His Gospels, and were martyred in Rome. Let's also try to bring the Lord and the Gospel everywhere with humility and joy, in our families, in our relationships, our neighbourhoods, in civil society, in political life and the entire world.



The June 2024 edition of the Broken Bay News


(BBN) is **available now** at the back of our churches. This edition features articles on:

- ✚ 'Homelessness: Catholic Care changes lives'
- ✚ 'Year of Prayer: Preparation for Jubilee '25
- ✚ 'Pastoral Discernment: Northern Beaches.
- ✚ **Please be sure to take a copy home with you.**



Year of Prayer 2025


Our Vicar General, 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



WINTER APPEAL

Will you help me find somewhere safe to sleep tonight?

HELP A CHILD SLEEP SAFE TONIGHT. DONATE NOW!



Vinnies

This weekend Vinnies are having their Winter Appeal at both our parish churches, St Patrick's and St Bernard's.

Your donation helps the Society to aid those who call on the Society for support. In the past 6 months, 6 families have been relocated within the boundaries of the conference due to domestic violence. They come with nothing except their clothes and the Society provides the necessities that are required to restart their lives. There are no envelopes in the pews or at the back of the Church, however, there are Society members outside the Church to help with your donation, a receipt will be issued for your donation if required, and if you would like to join the Society speak with a Society Member. Donations can be made at any time by using the poor boxes at the back of the Church.

We thank the Parishioners of Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish who have always been generous in the support of Vinnies and we have faith that this will continue. Alan Henson - Asquith Vinnies.



Welcome to our Faith Family
Baptism congratulations to

Arthur David Brooks & Florence Spencer Brooks

who are to be baptised this weekend.
Please keep them, their parents & Godparents in your prayers.

BAKE SALE

With plenty of sweetness and a hint of Arts & Literature

IN AID OF VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

SUN, 23 JUNE 2024 AFTER 10AM MASS



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's is celebrating its anniversary at 10am Mass this Sunday!




Children's Choir is celebrating its **19th anniversary** this weekend at 10am Mass with a special blessing and presentation of certificates to all our singers. The Choir was founded in 2005, with six members. Since then, dozens of young people have been part of this vibrant community of talented, generous, enthusiastic group who contribute so much to our parish life. Currently there are more than 30 young people from 8 to 18 in the Choir, from eight different schools. We have been blessed by every one of our young singers, and we're very grateful to their parents, carers and families for supporting, transporting and enabling them to be the shining light they are to our community. Congratulations! *Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month and practises every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in the church. After 10am Mass this weekend, Children's Choir is holding a Bake Sale, with fabulous baked goodies from all around the world, plus handmade craft items for sale, and near-new books! All money raised goes to Vinnies Winter Appeal.*

Children's Choir: is open to anyone from Year 3 to Year 12, from any parish or local state school in the parish are welcome to join this choir at any time.
If interested in joining: Please call Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.

(Reflection continued from front page)

Because this was a word spoken by the Lord of all creation, the Sovereign of the universe. And what was the result?

The disciples were able to make their way across the Sea of Galilee **'to the other side'** in the company of Jesus. What does that mean?

They were able to go from the western Jewish side to the eastern Pagan side. That is from the side which they knew, from the side with which they were familiar, from the side where they were **'at home'** to the side which they did not know, which was unfamiliar territory for them, where, far from being at home, they would feel dis-located, displaced.

That is why this gospel story is good news for us, for you and for me. There will be times, there have been times when, in the journey of life, suddenly chaos erupts. A tempest storms into our life. The wind is howling. We want to block our ears to the situation threatening us whether from the outside or from some part of our own personality. We feel we are being swamped. Some part of us is facing death.

With the disciples we may cry out to Jesus **'Don't you care?'** And the Lord of the Universe will ensure we are not submerged by chaotic, dark forces.

But, he will not turn us back to the situation as before. We must continue to **'the other side'**. It will be unfamiliar territory. We will feel displaced, somewhat disoriented.


But we will also find that Our Lord has accompanied us in that journey through the chaos. He is our companion as we find our bearings in the new situation we have reached **'on the other side'**.

There will possibly be many such transits in the journey of life until the final transit to truly new territory through the wrenching chaos and dis-integration of death.

We should pray that in the midst of dying we will hear Our Lord rebuking the Prince of Darkness and Death: **'Quiet, be still.'** And Our Lord will accompany us, be our companion to the other side, to the Promised Land of Heaven. © Fr Michael Tate



Planned Giving Envelopes - 2024/2025 Financial Year



Please collect your PGE's from the back of our churches today.

You may have a different number from last year but don't worry, this has been done to reduce printing costs and please be assured the recording of contributions against your name will not be interrupted by the number change.

To all who have given so generously to the upkeep of our parish through the planned giving programme during 2023 / 2024 we offer sincere thanks. Taxation receipts will be issued after the finish of the current financial year.

If you would like to know how you can join the PGE programme or other ways you can assist the parish financially, please call the Parish Office on 9456 2450.

	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	Paul Dryden	Volunteer now	Phil Daidone	Volunteer now	Vicente Sanchez
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Archie Todd Harry Todd	Sophia Cottrell Miranda Tablizo	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Thomas Clarke Rishona Gonsalves	Volunteer now Volunteer now
Reader (1)	Francesca Parrino	Barbara McMullen	Sue Watts	Michael Halliday	Sue Newnham	Sue Lum
Reader (2)	Sophia Smith	Denise Harant	Paul Worthington	Jim Fitzgerald	Chris Newnham	Les Fogden
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	GC, Cecilia Waite (f), Gwen Wood (s)		Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Leticia Wee, Ben Edwards, Michelle Hwang (f) - (help always needed & appreciated)			
Maintenance	Team A & B -(help always needed & appreciated)		June: Malcolm Cross and David Chui - (help always needed & appreciated)			

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



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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?

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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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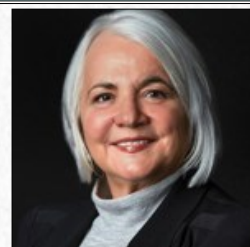
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