

# KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

**Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 26th May 2019 ~ 6th Sunday of Easter ~ Year C**

**O God, let all the nations praise you!**

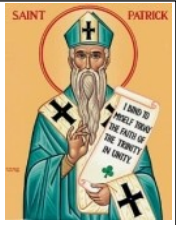
**Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Apoc 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29**

**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'*



## God's home is where the heart is

Some people have the idea that God is awfully remote, dwelling beyond the edge of the cosmos. We make contact by sending a prayer like a long range rocket, hoping it will find its target. And many religions teach that in order to be united with Supreme Being we have to be transported to some mystical realm, a realm which leaves the body behind. But this is totally wrong. The Creator is the deep down 'inscape' of every particle of matter, of every dynamism of energy. And the idea of a remote God is far distant from Our Lord's teaching in today's Gospel.



**'If anyone loves me and keeps my word, my Father and I will make our home with that person.'**

Jesus was Jewish, and there is a long Jewish tradition which he draws on and then deepens in a remarkable way. Jewish slaves escaped from the despotic rule of the Pharaohs and wandered through the desert. Like the nomads of North Africa, or Tibet, they were tent dwellers. They carried with them a Tent of Meeting which was a special dwelling place of the God who rescued them. So, God, 'tented' amongst them. And then, St John's Gospel, right at the beginning, says that the Word of God was made flesh and dwelt among us. The actual Greek is 'pitched his tent amongst us'. You can see that wonderful Tent imagery coming through.

In today's gospel, Our Lord is saying to his followers: Even though my ordinary physical presence is to be withdrawn, that is not something to trouble you, because my heavenly Father and I regard you as a tent. You, personally, are the place in which we want to dwell.

**God wants to be at home in the hearts of believers, wants to dwell at the very heart of my personality and your personality, wants to make my heart and your heart more generous, more whole hearted.**

**Our Lord is saying it is not in *outer* space, but in *inner* space that Divine Love will make a home – in your inner space, in my inner space. And the inner space is not some purely mental state.**

I read recently that Australia's leading poet, Les Murray, became a Catholic because of the sheer physicality of its understanding and practice of Christianity. And there is nothing more physical than Holy Communion. What turns a house into a home, a mere residence into a home? I think you will agree that it is in sitting around a table sharing a meal.

Jesus knew that, knows that. So, he created a sacred meal for us – heavenly bread and spiritual drink – and he invites us to share in that sacred meal. And when we do, we find, in the words of St John Paul II, that we 'digest, as it were, the secret of the Resurrection'.

**As Our Lord said at the Last Supper: 'Take, eat, this is My Body.' We take into ourselves the Real Presence of the Risen Lord. In Holy Communion, Our Lord makes his home with us as he promised in today's gospel.**

**There is a saying: Home is where the heart is. If you keep coming to Communion, or come back after even a long time away, you will find that the yearning of your heart is satisfied because Divine Love has chosen to dwell in your heart.**

**Home is where the heart is. Divine Love desires nothing more than to dwell in the home of your heart.**

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### PASTORAL CENTRE

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**Centre Hours: 9am – 3.30pm.**

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Assistant Priest Fr Joy Thomas, OSH  
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Bookkeeper Karen Price  
Youth Ministry Co-ord. Michelle Chahine  
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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
	<b>RECONCILIATION</b>	
Every Saturday	9.30 am	at St Patrick's
Every Friday	After 9am	Mass at St Bernard's, (except First Friday—see above)



6th week of EASTER

Monday 27/05

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 16:11-15; Jn15:26-16:4

Tuesday 28/05

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday 29/05

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 17:15,22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday 30/05

Mass of the day  
Preface of Easter I-V,  
Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

Friday 31/05

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Mass of the Feast, Gloria  
Preface of the Virgin Mary II  
Zeph 3:14-18 Or Rom 12:9-16;  
Lk 1:39-56

Saturday 01/06

St Justin, martyr  
Mass of the Saint,  
Preface of Easter I-V, or Ascension I-II  
or saint  
Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23-28

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Kathleen Walsh (nee) Scully  
(sister of Mary Burns),  
Dn Jim Caulfield, Rosalia Ruggiero,  
Maureen Cullen, Daniel Sanchez,  
Vojtech Stranak, Eileen Leyden

ANNIVERSARIES:

Brendan Thomas Stubbs,  
Andrzej Maciejewski,  
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 Joson,  
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.

Hail Holy Queen

This prayer is a constant favourite among the prayers to Virgin Mary.

It has long been a part of the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church's official daily prayer.

*Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope.*

*To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.*

*To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.*

*Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile,*

*show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb,*

*Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!*

*Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.*



Miraculous Medal Prayer

One of the newer prayers to Virgin Mary. The first part appears on the Miraculous Medal, created by St. Catherine Labouré in response to her apparition of Virgin Mary in 1830.

This spurred a widespread devotion of prayers to Virgin Mary. St. Maximilian Kolbe added the remaining part of this prayer. He was devoted to the Blessed Mother and her Miraculous Medal, and recommended frequent prayers to Virgin Mary for our own salvation and that of others.

St. Maximilian Kolbe was imprisoned by the Nazis in the Auschwitz death camp. He was killed on August 14, 1941, after offering his life so that another prisoner might be spared.

*O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee, and for those who do not have recourse to thee, especially the enemies of the Church and those recommended to thee. Amen.*

The Angelus

The Angelus is a meditation on the Incarnation, and Mary's role in it. Like all prayers to Virgin Mary, we ask her for guidance and prayers. The first three verses are taken from Scripture.

The Angelus is traditionally said daily at 12 noon. Many Catholic churches ring their church bells at noon, the Angelus bells, to call the faithful to prayer.

This is often said as a group prayer, with the leader speaking the 'V' parts and the group responding with the 'R' lines. If you're saying it alone, just read both parts together.

*'V' — The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.*

*'R' — And she conceived by the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary...*

*'V' — Behold the handmaid of the Lord..*

*'R' — Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...*

*'V' — And the Word was made Flesh.*

*'R' — And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...*

*'V' — Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.*

*'R' — That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

**LET US PRAY:** Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ, your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his passion and cross be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

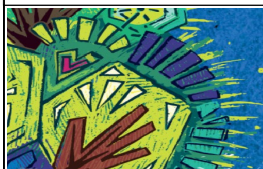


Our Month of May dedication to Mary finishes this week fittingly with

The Feast of the Visitation on Friday May 31

The feast of the Visitation recalls to us the following great truths and events: The visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to her cousin Elizabeth shortly after the Annunciation; the cleansing of John the Baptist from original sin in the womb of his mother at the words of Our Lady's greeting; Elizabeth's proclaiming of Mary—under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost—as Mother of God and "blessed among women"; Mary's singing of the sublime hymn, *Magnificat* which has become a part of the daily official prayer of the Church.

The Visitation is frequently depicted in art, and was the central mystery of St. Francis de Sales' devotions.



National Reconciliation Week 27 May—3 June

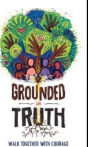
'Grounded in Truth

Walk Together with Courage'

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The dates for NRW remain the same each year: 27 May to 3 June and commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey—the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively. This year's theme is "**Grounded in Truth, Walk Together with Courage**", and seeks to foster positive race relations based on a foundation of truth so that historical wounds can be healed. More information can be found here: <https://www.reconciliation.org.au/national-reconciliation-week/>

**Lord,** Give us the courage to accept the realities of our history so that we may build a better future for our nation. Teach us to respect all cultures. Teach us to care for our land and waters. Help us to share justly the resources of this land. Help us to bring about spiritual and social change to improve the quality of life for all groups in our communities, especially the disadvantaged.

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We take this opportunity to  
*thank you*  
*Fr Satheesh*

for your pastoral care of us during  
Fr Shaju's absence.

*Your natural warmth and engaging manner  
has made you a fast favourite amongst us  
and we all hope that Frenchs Forest Parish  
will allow you to  
"fill-in"  
for us again in the future.*



# YOUTH

**Calling all our Youth!**  
**Join us on Sunday June 2**

for another great Youth gathering @  
St Patrick's Asquith following the 6pm  
Youth Mass.

As always there will be faith,  
fellowship and definitely food.

**Calling all musicians!**

Would you like to join our  
amazing youth music group  
every first Sunday night of the month?  
Youth Mass musicians  
need your musicality.

For any information please contact me on  
michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au  
Looking forward to seeing you all then,  
*Michelle.*

## PRAISEFEST

Catholic Youth  
Broken Bay invites  
all young people to  
PRAISEFEST!



Join young people (youth & young  
adults) from across the Diocese to catch  
up with friends, enjoy our Festival  
consisting of different activities and a free  
BBQ, encounter God through vibrant and  
honest worship and receive spiritual  
nourishment through an inspiring and  
relevant message.

**Date:** Friday 7 June 2019

**Time:** 6:00pm – 9:00pm

**Venue:** Our Lady of Dolours, Parish,  
94 Archer St, Chatswood  
(next PRAISEFEST on  
23 August 2019)

## 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 amazingly successful  
ecumenical event.

*Thanks*



**Musicians Needed! Help!** Big gaps have appeared in our regular  
music ministry roster, on Saturday evenings at 6pm Mass at St  
Patrick's, and Sunday mornings at 10am Mass on the first Sunday  
of each month. We need musicians to lead the music, on keyboard  
or guitar. If you could play once a month, or even once every two months, it would be  
very helpful. All training given, books provided, extra special seats in heaven!  
Please contact the parish office or call Patricia Smith 9482 7935

**Children's Choir @ St Patrick's** is singing today at 10am Mass, supporting Year 3/4's  
Family Mass at St Patrick's. The Choir welcomes young people from Year 3 and up - no  
experience or training in singing or music necessary! Just an open mind and a willingness  
to work with a fantastic group of fun, friendly, talented young singers. The Choir  
practises on Fridays during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church, and sings  
at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

**Cherubs Choir** is still expanding rapidly, welcoming young people in Kinder, Year 1  
and Year 2 who would like to sing at parish Masses at St Patrick's. The Cherubs practise  
every Tuesday morning at 8.15 to 8.45am in St Patrick's church and are gaining skills in  
leaps and bounds. They will be singing at 10am Mass on 9th June.

For more information: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

**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**



## 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.



**The Devil Wears Prada' and insights of René Girard** into human desire,  
rivalry and resentment.

Presenters Susan Connelly (SOSJ) and Sheelah Hidden.

**Where:** Grail Centre, 22 McHatton Street, North Sydney

**When:** Sunday, 2 June, 2pm – 5pm

**RSVP:** Limited places! Alison Healey (02) 9955 3053 or [grailsydney@ozemail.com.au](mailto:grailsydney@ozemail.com.au)

### Seminar - FIELDS OF COMPASSION

A spirituality of care and healing. Facilitated by Elizabeth Lee. \$25. BYO Lunch.  
Morning and afternoon tea provided.

**Where:** Grail Centre, 22 McHatton Street, North Sydney

**When:** Saturday, 22 June, 9:30am – 3pm

**Contact:** Alison Healey (02) 9955 3053 or [grailsydney@ozemail.com.au](mailto:grailsydney@ozemail.com.au)

### 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

**A culture of Safeguarding  
values DIGNITY...**

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

# ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 1/2nd June—The Ascension of the Lord—Year C

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

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53



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	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 Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Eliseus	Fr Eliseus	Fr Eliseus	Fr Joy
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Denis Steiner	Francis Wong	Bill Martin	Sue Lum	Robert Pesavento
Server	Megan Chung Preston Nguyen Suzie Thompson	Olylia Chylewska Ella Noble Alex Rogers	Jessica Chacon Maddie Lever Ben Montgomery	Felix Holm Conor Collins	Georgia Osborne Sam Valderrama Joshua Tay Sophia Gomez	
Reader	Mark Dunkley Donna Machado	Peter Collins Cristina Hopwood	Nuria Gonsalves Rionah Gonsalves	Dan Leavy Michael Halliday	Jo Quinlan Kaitlin Quinlan	Youth Reader 2 (1) Youth Reader 1 (2)
Children's Liturgy	June 2, 2019 – Jackie T-F		June 2, 2019 – Grace M and Melissa M			
Communion to Sick	Jane Hunter		Penny Loughland, Janette O'Brien			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook,... Gisela Muschal (s).		Scott Smith, Maria Hon (f), Winston Rodrigues, Paul Mathew, Antony Davis			
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		June: Sydney Fernandes ***** <b>HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED</b> *****			
Counters	Catherine & Tony McMahon, Rey Hilario		Chris Newnham, Jan Bennett, Susan Clarke, Christine Rodrigues			

**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	LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE
<p><b>Rosary</b> After weekday Masses both Churches</p> <p><b>Visit Housebound</b> Fr Shaju John &amp; Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450</p> <p><b>Urgent sick calls</b> Fr Shaju John 9456 7010 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery)</p> <p><b>Nursing Home Visits</b> By request</p> <p><b>Clergy Days Off</b> Fr Shaju John – Monday Fr Joy Thomas – Tuesday</p> <p><b>Home Visits</b> For Masses, House Blessings &amp; Pastoral Requests Please call the Office 9456 2450</p> <p><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></p>	<p>◇ <b>May is the month of Mary</b></p> <p><b>ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:</b></p> <p>◇ Discernment Evening May 29, 5.30-7.30pm at Holy Name Wahroonga in The Priory</p> <p>◇ [Weekly] Life Marriage &amp; Family Notice from the DBB</p> <p><b>ADMIN POSITION VACANT: PA to the Provincial, Vincentian Fathers—Based in Marsfield (Epping/Macquarie Park)</b> * Part-time opportunity – 15 hours per week * Great work-life balance - flexible working hours; supportive, friendly environment. Seeking an experienced, self-motivated person to provide professional &amp; efficient secretarial, admin and general office support; proficiency with Microsoft (Word, Outlook, Excel); exceptional skills with people plus spoken and written communications; ... (amongst others), ...Please email <a href="mailto:RecruitAtERServices@gmail.com">RecruitAtERServices@gmail.com</a> for a copy of the Position Description, or to apply for (or enquire about) this role. <b>Closing date EXTENDED to Mon. 27 May '19</b></p>


**The 250 Club!** **RESULTS: Week 14: 20/05/2019 ~ Winning Number: 462 ~ Winner: Unfinancial ~ Amount: \$25**

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