# **KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH**

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 30th June 2019 ~ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

## 1 Kg 19:16, 19-21; Gal 5:1,13-18; Lk 9:51-62

**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'

> In his excellent book, Things You Get For Free, Michael McGirr tells the story of going on pilgrimage to Rome with his mother. Maureen McGirr had always wanted to see St Peter's. Michael records the big day.

> 'One of the features of a visit to St Peter's is the modesty inspection. This is the kind of examination which most Australians on a visit to Bali would flunk. You aren't allowed to wear shorts or sleeveless garments. No swimming costumes, either, unless they have long legs and sleeves. No singlets. The modesty inspection has a point. It keeps out nudists and other undesirables... I would be more comfortable if the signs warned against coming in with a closed mind or an angry heart.

'When you get inside, however, St Peter's strips you bare. Mum took a few steps forward into the cavernous gloom and stopped. I looked up into the dome that Michelangelo designed late in life: he never lived to see it finished. In that moment, hundreds of visitors rushed past. "What on earth are they trying to prove?" I wasn't sure if Mum was talking about the building or all the people rushing past. Officials were still clearing away the cheap plastic stacking chairs which come out for big masses. They were not part of the original design. I was distracted by the noise.

"When you think," said Mum, leaving her sentence unfinished ...

"When you think what?" I asked ...

"I don't know. When you think."

"What?" I was getting testy with her. Mum drew in breath to say something important. "When you think that Jesus had nothing."

'It was a naked response. For 70 years, this building had stood as the physical centre of Mum's religion. This was her pilgrimage to Mecca. Yet her response was almost revulsion. I wanted to put a brake on her reaction and jolly her along and tell her that Jesus would rather have had this as a monument than the Empire State Building or the Crown Casino.'

No matter how much we try to ignore it, or play it down, the call to simplicity of lifestyle and detachment are important elements in the teaching of Jesus and the way he lived his own life.

In Luke's gospel and in his second volume, The Acts of the Apostles, the obligations of the haves to the have-nots are regularly underlined. Scholars think Luke's gospel keeps this teaching most alive because it was a community divided by wealth.

In today's Gospel this obligation is put in its starkest form. To 'bury the dead' in first-century Palestine sometimes meant having to take on their responsibilities - farm, fishing or family. To have 'nowhere to lay one's head' gave as much freedom then as it does today; and to be detached, without regret, has always been a sign of God's kingdom. [Continues on inside page]



## First Friday of the Month: 5th July 2019

ANOINTING & HEALING MASS @ St Bernard's: Adoration: 10.30am; Reconciliation: 11am; Healing Mass: 11.30am [shared community luncheon follows]



NIGHT VIGIL @ St Patrick's: 7.30pm - 10pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Prayer, Praise & Worship, Rosary,

Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction. "Keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep searching, and you will find. Keep knocking, and the door will be opened to you." Matthew 7:7

### **PASTORAL CENTRE**

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Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp Centre Hours: 9am - 3.30pm.

Parish Priest Fr Shaju John, OSH Assistant Priest Fr Joy Thomas, OSH Parish Secretary Margaret Cooper Bookkeeper Karen Price **Michelle Chahine** Youth Ministry Co-ord.

School/Parish Liturgy L. Patricia Smith Sacramental Team: kccpsacraments@gmail.com



#### WEEKEND MASSES 5pm

6pm

8am

9am

10am

6pm

Saturday

Sunday

St Bernard's St Patrick's St Patrick's St Bernard's St Patrick's St Patrick's

		JAT WASSES				
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					
	11.30	am Healing Mass				
First Friday —	St Patrick's Night Vigil 7.30pm					
	RECO	NCILIATION				
Every Saturday	9.30 a	ım at St Patrick's				
Every Friday	After 9am Mass at St Bernard's,					
	(except	t First Friday—see above)				

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This Week's: Readings & Prayers

#### 13th week Ordinary Time

Monday 01/07 Weekday, Mass ad libitum Gen 18: 16-33; Mt 8: 18-22

Tuesday 02/07 Weekday, Mass ad libitum Gen 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday 03/07 St Thomas, apostle Mass of Feast, Gloria Preface of Apostles I-II Eph 2: 19-22; Jn 20: 24-29

Thursday 04/07 Weekday, Mass ad libitum Gen 22: 1-19; Mt 9:1-8

Friday 05/07

Weekday, Mass ad libitum Gen 23: 1-4,19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday 06/07 Weekday, Mass ad libitum Gen 27: 1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

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

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Wynsom Nicholson, Nelita Madrid, Jean Sayers (sister of Brenda Brooks), Nick Jones, Fr Ian Abbott (priest from our Diocese), Bruce Branthwaite, Ian McGuinness, Neslin Perkins ANNIVERSARIES:

Harry Fox, Geoff Hore, Dr Ken Gray, Geoffrey Warren, Gesmundo Daria, Andrea Daria, Luisita Turqueza, Rogelio Barnetto, Leo Vila, Maree Hayden, Helena Noske, Reba Mackett, Judy Huntley, Father Boberg, Marie Wilson, Tony Dirckze

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Shaji Simon (brother of Fr Shiju), Paul Sarks, Eve Davis (baby), 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

Please advise the office if names can be deleted from the sick list.



## Pope's intention for June:

**Priests:** That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor.

Berowra Heights

7pm @

St Patrick's

Catholic Church,

Asquith.

Some preachers can blast off into loopy-land when they start drawing out lessons [From front page] from this teaching. While Jesus' words have a radical edge which must not be blunted, if all Christians everywhere were to live this teaching literally we would constitute a family of happy but homeless people, surrounded by decomposing loved ones! There is no dignity in poverty and most people who are poor, while they can be rich in the best human values, do not want to stay poor. What they deserve, and what all Christians should want, is economic and social justice. We are not at liberty to follow Jesus and watch the rich get fatter and all-consuming while the poor pay the price for unchecked greed.

Some Christians are given the gift of living very simply and to the degree that this gift brings life to them, and those around them, it is a wonderful sign of God's kingdom. All the rest of us, who struggle to embrace this gift, or a desire to ever want it, must face up to the challenge of Jesus' teaching here. But it's not just about money. We are also called to detach ourselves from memories, which can be cluttered with anger and revenge; from the demands of work which keep us from being with those we love; and to be generous with our time, talent, hospitality and compassion.

Previous generations strayed from the demands of this gospel. Grand cathedrals, courtly behaviour and princely mansions were meant to reflect on earth the reign of God. These are our legacy, but may it not be said of us, what Michael McGirr says of St Peter's, 'any sense of the Divine completely disappears under the materialism of it all.' Rather, may our generation show the kingdom of God most visibly in the way we live simply, fight for justice for all people everywhere, and the detachment we have to everything but the © Richard Leonard SJ essentials.

The time has come to offer our

sincere thanks to and for

the wonderful priests of our Diocese

and the Syro-Malabar Community for

their assistance during June in the

parish providing assistance at our

weekend Masses

and **Fr Binesh** of the

Syro-Malabar Community who most

unexpectedly offered to assist us by

celebrating weekday Masses.

**Peter's Pence Collection:** 

the charitable works and used to

support the structures of mercy

identified by Pope Francis.

Thank

you

absence of Fr Shaju.

**Fr Eliseus and** 

Fr Anselam

came to us from Wahroonga

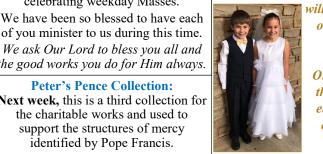
### First Holy Communion in our parish last weekend

We would like to express our gratitude to the many who prepared the children for their special day. From Fr Joy, our Parish Sacrament Team Leaders, Peta Tonkin, Louise Cosgrove and **Deborah Wing**, the group facilitators, the families who supported

the children on this stage in their faith journey, to our candidates

themselves who so reverently received Christ in First Holy Communion for the very first time...thank you.

Please know children that your faith family of Ku-ring-gai **Chase Catholic Parish** 



will keep you in our prayers and give thanks to **Our Lord for** the blessing each of you are to our parish.



Confirmation **THIS WEEKEND: Confirmation Enrolment** 2019 will be celebrated Enrolment is open to any child who is over the age of 7 and has been in KCCP on baptised in the Catholic Church. Friday St Bernard's Berowra Heights: in portico area of the church nfirmatio Sat 29 June: after the 5pm Vigil Mass **13 September** Sun 30 June: after 9am Mass 2019 St Patrick's Asquith: in Fr Patrick McMaugh Hall in school grounds 5pm @ Sat 29 June: 5-6pm prior to 6pm Vigil Mass St Bernard's Sun 30 June: after 8am Mass up to and before 10am Mass Catholic Church,

> PLEASE NOTE WELL: A mandatory Parent Talk on the sacrament will be held on Wednesday July 24, 7.30 - 8.30pm at St Patrick's Church, Asquith. If you cannot attend, or miss this talk, you will be required to make an appointment with the Parish Priest (strictly Tue-Fri 9.30am-3pm) to discuss non-attendance.

An exciting opportunity to be involved in a vibrant children's ministry! Our Children's Sacramental Programme coordinators at St Patrick's, Deborah and Louise, are retiring from this ministry after nine years of helping children and families prepare for and celebrate their sacraments. We are looking for an individual or a team to take on this ministry. Deborah and Louise are happy to offer a transition year with full support. Contact the parish office for more information (9456 2450). We look forward to hearing from you!

> **Safeguarding:** A culture of Safeguarding values WISDOM ... "Who is wise and understanding

among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom." - James 3:13

of you minister to us during this time. We ask Our Lord to bless you all and the good works you do for Him always. Next week, this is a third collection for

# HELP END THE PAIN OF **POVERTY THIS WINTER**

## DONATE NOW

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The theme of this year's Winter Appeal is 'The Pain of Poverty', with a focus on the impact of poverty on older Australians. Poverty often comes with the added burden of loneliness and social isolation when you can't afford to go out. This is particularly so for older people, as their mobility becomes limited and their social network decreases. Social isolation can have real health impacts. The Winter Appeal supports the work conducted by our dedicated volunteers and members which is vital

in assisting those people who turn to us for help in times of desperate need, especially during these colder months.

- Fact: Housing affordability is one of the biggest drivers of poverty and disadvantage in NSW. ٠
- Fact: Did you know 1 in 8 people in Australia live in poverty! ٠

#### Donate to the Vinnies Winter Appeal today. Help end the Pain of Poverty VINNIES WINTER APPEAL **HOW CAN I HELP?**

Vinnies is committed to giving people choices that provide the sanctuary, security and safety each person deserves and Vinnies helps to support people in achieving self-support. WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP

This weekend, 29/30 June, you are asked to donate to the Winter Appeal, by

- Placing a donation in the envelopes on your seat and placing the envelope on the donation plate at mass.
- Placing any coin donations in the St Vincent de Paul POOR BOXES located near the doors of the churches.
- Make a sacrifice each week, of giving up the cost of your favourite coffee, tea.... and place the cost in the Poor Box to support the work of your Vinnies in Asquith and Berowra. Thank you.

## A message from the Diocesan Administrator Delegate:

After a week of retreat, the Australian Catholic Bishops have returned to Rome to make their pilgrimage to the threshold of the Apostles Peter and Paul. We are asked to pray for each bishop and for our Diocesan Administrator, Fr David during these days of the Ad Limina visit. (Very Rev) Robert Borg.



Fr David's Dispatches from Rome: Discover what's happening in Rome on Fr David's "Dispatches from Rome" page on our website.

www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/diocesan-administrator/dispatches-from-rome

The Australian Bishops have met with the Holy Father Pope Francis. Read the ACBC's Press Release here:

www.bbcatholic.org.au/news-events/latest-news/australian-bishops-meet-pope-francis-pray-at-st-peters-tomb Fr David is now on Twitter - to follow him, find his Twitter handle @frdavidranson



Senior Parish Choir will be singing at the regular monthly Mass of Anointing at St Bernard's church next Friday, 5th July, at 11.30am.

Children's Choir @St Patrick's will be celebrating our 14th anniversary with an end-of -term party this Friday 5th July. We will finish practice early at 4.40pm and party in the courtyard outside the church until 5.30pm. Please bring or send food to share - NO NUTS !! This will be our opportunity to farewell Naomi and thank her for all she has done for the Choir.

Parents and siblings welcome - **RSVP** immediately please!

No practice held during school holidays - next practice—Friday 26th July—4 to 5pm, St Patrick's church. No Practice for Cherubs Choir this week (2nd July)! Our next practice will be after the school holidays on Tuesday 23rd July at 8.15 to 8.45am in St Patrick's church, ready for our next Mass at 10am on Sunday 28th July!

Organist/keyboard player/ guitarist needed for 8am Mass St Patrick's. ......Please help. For further information on any of the above please call Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

## Plenary Council 2020 2019 - A Year of Discernment:

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia this is:

- Missionary and Evangelising
- Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal
- Prayerful and Eucharistic
  - Humble, Healing and Merciful
  - A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community
  - Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform.



### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #3 How is God calling us to be a **Christ-centred Church that is Prayerful and Eucharistic?**

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church.

Find out more: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS X 3**

Can vou believe it? 9 weeks have flown by and our very own Parish Priest,

Fr Shaju will he home with us again and celebrating Masses next weekend!

Thought the photo might help us to recognise him!





from the back of our churches. Please take yours today.

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**250 Club Membership** Contributions now due: Hurry, new Series about to start.



Series 1 commences: 8/7/19 & Series 2

commences: 25/11/19

Emails or letters have been sent to all current members with this reminder. however, limited number blocks are still available.

Just \$1 per week—payable in advance for 20 weeks could realise a windfall between \$25 up to \$500!

Please consider joining this long running, easy and successful parish fundraiser.

Call the parish office on 9456 2450 with your questions or to join up.

**NB:** Payouts can only be made to financial members. If you are unsure where you are at, call the office to check, it would be awful if your number came up and we couldn't pay you.

## ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 6th/7th July—14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr C

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

ls 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)				
KU-RING-GAI CHASE	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm	
CATHOLIC PARISH Diocese of Broken Bay, Australia	Fr Joy	Fr Shaju	Fr Shaju	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Shaju	
Acolyte/Snr Server	Garth Graham	Michael O'Neill	Sue Lum	John Messina	Darrin Patterson	Robert Pesavento	
Server	Josephine Harman Sophia Harman Adam Waite	Max Jarominek Levi McLoughlin Molly Summerhayes	Jessica Chacon Maddie Lever Ben Montgomery	Felix Holm Conor Collins	Georgia Osborne Sam Valderrama Joshua Tay Sophia Gomez		
Reader	Mary Dorahy Sophia Smith	Clare McLoughlin Mattius McLoughlin	Penny Loughland Celia Cox	Vivienne Schreiber Russel Schreiber	Sandra Maloney Susie Gates	Youth Reader 2 Youth Reader 1	
Children's Liturgy	July 21, 2019 – Marta C.		July 21, 2019 –Marcela F., Dan M.				
Communion to Sick	Chichi Datoc		Janette O'Brien, TBA				
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook, Brenda Brooks(s).		Scott Smith, Winston Rodrigues, Paul Mathew, Antony Davis, Maria Hon (f). (Thurs. evening) MORE PEOPLE NEEDED for ALTAR SOCIETY 5 weekly ROSTER, please volunteer				
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		June: Sydney Fernandes, Richard Fellew—thank you Richard for volunteering				
Counters	Cecilia Waite, Pat Folk	es, Anne Marie Doran	Margot & Patrick O'Donoghue, Fiona Henrisson, Col Gilbertson				

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 THIS WEEKEND: Enrolments for Sacrament of Confirmation: Rosary After weekday Masses both Churches June 29 and 30, 2019 — see inside for full details. Visit Housebound Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450 THIS WEEKEND: SVdP WINTER APPEAL — see inside for full details. **Urgent sick calls** Fr Shaju John 9456 7010 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery) ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of: **Nursing Home Visits** By request \* Pentecost & Womanhood: Gift and Mystery Retreat: 13 July at OLR Fairfield. \* An evening with Cardinal John Dew, Archbishop of Wellington NZ: Servant Leadership in the spirit of Pope Francis. 16 July, 7pm Our Lady of Mercy College, **Clergy Days Off** Fr Shaju John - Monday Fr Joy Thomas — Tuesday Parramatta [Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB **Home Visits** For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests Please call the Office 9456 2450 **Position Vacant:** Parish Secretary, Woy Woy Peninsula Parish **HOSPITAL ADMISSION:** Part-time, 18 hours (3 days) per week. Seeking a Parish Sec. for busy If you are admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as office. Role provides support to Parish Administrator in visitor & phone reception, communications, records & archives maintenance, general Catholic to receive Catholic Services. Admin, financial processes, meeting & event organisation, and compliance Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre if hospitalised and you requirements. If you have previous office administration experience & this would like our own priests to attend. role interests you, email a cover letter & CV to the Parish Office. Week 19: 27/06/2019 ~ Winning #: 818 Further information & a Position Description, T: Jackie Hanson on 8379 ~ Winner: Unfinancial ~ Amount: \$25.00 1667 or E: recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au Applications close: Mon 1/7/19

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