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St Patrick's Catholic Church
Cnr Baldwin Ave & Royston Pde, Asquith

St Bernard's Catholic Church
1-19 Woodcourt Rd, Berowra Heights

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH in the Diocese of Broken Bay

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C ~ 9th February 2025

Welcome to our Spiritual home

A very warm welcome to you, especially to anyone new and visiting our parish.
It is good to have you with us!

If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community, please contact us by email or on the number below. We'd love to hear from you!
P: (02) 9456 2450; E: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au; W: bbcatholic.org.au/kccp

Requests for inclusion in our bulletin may be submitted for consideration up to 12 noon on Wednesdays by emailing: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

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
Vietnamese Mass ~ 1st Sunday of the month at 2.30pm St Patrick's		

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Patrick's, Asquith

8am Wednesday and Friday
9am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 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)

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

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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.

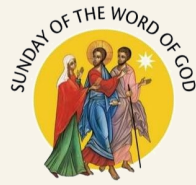
PARISH OFFICE

Opening Hours: 9am – 4pm; Monday to Friday
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Committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, most especially for children and vulnerable adults. If you're concerned about safety, contact the parish office on 02 9456 2450 or contact the Office of Safeguarding on 02 8379 1605.
Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all who enter our church.



A PILGRIMAGE THROUGH THE BIBLE

Dear Friends, This Sunday marks **Sunday of the Word of God**, an occasion to celebrate God's word in our Sacred Scriptures. We remember that when we read the Scriptures or hear them proclaimed, we are entering into a true dialogue with God, both individually and communally. God continues to speak, and we are encouraged to grow in our knowledge and

love of the Scriptures to enter this dialogue and grow in our friendship with the risen Lord. Realising the importance of the Word of God, again I am so pleased to conduct Bible Study, where we will delve into the Word of God and explore its relevance in our daily lives.

Date: Every first, second and third Tuesday of the month.
Time: 7.30pm to 8.30pm **Commencing:** Tuesday 4 March 2025
Venue: Fr McMaugh Hall (in the grounds of St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Asquith)

Together, let's embark on this spiritual journey, deepening our understanding of God's Word and its transformative power in our lives. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with our fellow parishioners and grow in faith together! **Everyone's welcome.** Please advise your intention to attend by sending an email to the parish office, thank you. *Fr Biju OSH, PP*

A word from your Parish Finance Committee:

Next weekend, Sunday February 16, we (together with other parishes of the Diocese) will launch our First Fruits Offering, which focuses on our Planned Giving Renewal Program. We encourage you to find out more about this program, which will help our Parish increase its income and ensure its survival and growth in the long term. The Planned Giving Program is an opportunity for our valued Parishioners to pray, reflect on their financial commitment to our Parish and learn more about how you can help. We will distribute material before and during our campaign to give you the information you need. Please read the letter below from our Parish Priest and reach out if you have any questions. *Thank you.*



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blessings in this year of Jubilee! As members of the Parish of Ku-ring-gai Chase, we are blessed to come together in faith to experience God's love in the celebration of the Mass, and through one another as a community of faith. I am deeply grateful for your meaningful participation, contributions and support in the life of our parish.

As we continue to journey together as the People of God, I invite you to prayerfully consider becoming an ongoing Planned Giver as part of our First Fruits Offering, taking place next week. Planned Giving is a prayerful commitment to dedicate a portion of your financial income to God and His Church in gratitude for His many blessings. It helps ensure the mission and ministries of our parish continue to thrive for both our present community and future generations.

Your contributions remain within our local parish and support:

- Liturgical needs (vestments, bread, wine)
- Ongoing ministries (youth, seniors, RCIA)
- Special ministries (Catechetics, sacramental programs, aged care visits)
- Equipment and resources (computers, photocopiers)
- Rising utility costs, insurance, repairs, and staff wages

To assist you in prayerfully reflecting on this important decision, materials and resources are available for you to take home. These include information about First Fruits Offering and pledge envelopes. We encourage you to take some time to review these resources, pray, and discern how you can support our parish in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Becoming a Planned Giver is a simple yet profound way to demonstrate your faith and commitment to God's work. If you are not yet a Planned Giver, I encourage you to take this step. If you are already contributing on an ongoing basis to the Parish, thank you. I invite you to prayerfully consider increasing your offering as you are able.

For more information or assistance with Planned Giving, please contact the parish office. We are happy to help. Thank you for your generous support.

May God bless you abundantly as you continue to live out your faith and share in His mission.

In Christ's peace and love, Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH, PP

THIS WEEK'S **DAILY READINGS - ORDINARY TIME** - Year C

Monday 10/02	Memorial St Scholastica, virgin Genesis 1:1-19; Mark 6:53-56
Tuesday 11/02	Genesis 1:20-2:4; Mark 7:1-13
Wednesday 12/02	Genesis 2:4-9, 15-17; Mark 7:14-23
Thursday 13/02	Genesis 2:18-25; Mark 7:24-30
Friday 14/02	Memorial Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop Genesis 3:1-8; Mark 7:31-37
Saturday 15/02	Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - 16/02 - ORDINARY TIME - Year C

1st Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8; **Psalm:** 1:1-4
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; **Gospel:** Luke 6:17,20-26

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

Recently Deceased: Natale (Noel) Macri, William Smitheram, Isabel Henson, Maureen Anne Smith.

Anniversary: Noel Fernandez, Kevin Harant, Kathleen Mulligan, Noel Anthony Fernandez, Remedios Alivio, Mary Ann Weir, Mary & Frank Jack.

Prayers for the sick: Anthony McAleer, Mason Maatouk, Warren Beacom, Millie Wong, Ruth Carlos, Cita Del Rio, Bill Holmes, Chris Enright, Patrick Dorahy, Pat Bowden, Mary Burns, Vince Hughes, Georgina Hughes, Chichi Datoc, Roger Okell, Philomena D'Souza, Nora Carrigan, Rey Hilario, Paul Lam, Louise Tong, Sosefo Ali, Jonathan Thew, John Cosgrove (Snr).

Welcome to our Faith Family & Baptism Congratulations to:

Patrick Christopher Firbank

who is to be baptised this weekend.

Please keep him, his parents & Godparents in your prayers.

URGENT, URGENT, URGENT We are in need for a Catechist for 16 students in **Years 3/4** at **Mount Kuring-Gai Public School**.

Day: Wednesday – **Time:** 12:50 pm – 1:20 pm.

If no one comes forward, this class will have no teacher.

Please contact the Parish Office **URGENTLY**.

New beginning with a new spirit.

† Our churches are the house of God, a place of solace and solitude where we can spend quality, quiet time, with Our Lord. Anyone who enters our churches are asked to be mindful and respectful of where you are *and in whose presence you are, God and other parishioners alike*. Please keep your voices lowered if you need to speak at all.

† Please note well: **No one** is to place anything on the church noticeboards, benches or in the pews without the express permission of the Parish Priest. Thank you, Fr Biju, PP.



Children's Liturgy: St Patrick's Asquith: 1st & 3rd Sunday of month

Our littlest parishioners from PreK-Year 6 are invited to come along twice per month during school terms to hear the Word of God in a way they understand. Sessions will run for approx. 20 min in the first half of the Mass.

Parents are welcome to join their children. All facilitators have WWCC's. For more information contact: Chris V on hushh@hotmail.com

Children's Choir @ St Patrick's, Asquith

Sing: At 10am Mass on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month during school terms.

Practise: Friday's of school term 4pm-5pm in the church.

Call Patricia Smith 9482 7935 or E: stpatscchoir@gmail.com for details.



1st Sunday of the month during school terms:

6pm Youth Mass @ St Patrick's, followed by 7pm Youth Group in the Fr McMaugh hall from 7-8.30pm.

3rd Sunday of the month during school terms:

7pm Youth Group @ St Patrick's

Email Deacon Adrian at adrian.gomez.youthministry@gmail.com for details.



Bernie's Ladies is a social group who meet 4 times per year with the goal being

'To build community at our church'.

Term One's gathering will take place on:

Sunday, March 16; at the new time of 11am at Savvy Coffee

All ladies of the entire parish are most welcome

For more details contact Gen by emailing: david@barnettsroad.com

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