

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 2nd June 2019 ~ The Ascension of the Lord ~ Year C

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord

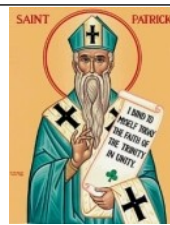
Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

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'



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

A teacher told me recently that when she asked her grade fours to draw a picture of the Ascension, not unsurprisingly most of them did a fairly conventional portrait of Jesus rising up on a cloud.

One of her students, David, who is a particularly gifted artist, had Jesus blasting off into the sky. Down the side of Jesus' pure white garment was the word NASA and David provided all the sound effects for how he imagined the scene of the first Ascension. He concluded, without a hint of irony, that, 'the Ascension must have been a real blast!'

None of us can blame David for marrying our modern culture with an ancient story. In fact if some of us are honest, David's 'space shuttle Jesus' is not far from what we think as well.

The Ascension stories, however, are not primarily interested in how or when Jesus got back to heaven. John and Paul never mention it at all. Mark and Matthew have it happening on the same day as the Resurrection and Luke has it occurring 40 days after Easter on the same day as Pentecost. **The one thing, on which all the New Testament writers agree, is where in heaven Jesus went and where he is presently – at God's right hand.**

Even to this day, being on someone's right is a place of honour. In the Old Testament being on the right hand of David, Samuel or Elijah was to be the anointed and favoured one, the true son or daughter. In telling us, then, that Jesus is now at God's right hand, the Gospels use a formal phrase to announce that God affirms everything Jesus said and did on earth and that he is the way for us to follow.

That can be all well and good, but Jesus goes one step further and that's why this feast is so important. Jesus taught us that where he is, so shall we be, that he was going to prepare a place for us and that, in and through him, we will have life and have it to the full.

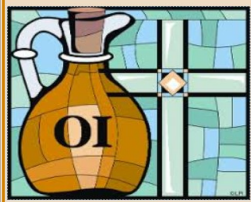
The feast of the Ascension is the day, each year, where we remember and we celebrate that, just as Jesus was welcomed to God's right hand, **so, too, shall we be welcomed to the right hand of Jesus.** This is his promise, this is our faith and this is the hope we are called to proclaim to the world. And let's be clear about the invitation. There is nothing we have ever done, are doing, or will do, that will get our name removed from the invitation list to the feast of Christ's kingdom. The challenge is accepting that we have a standing invitation and living lives worthy of the love that places our name on the list. The feast of the Ascension announces that Jesus will faithfully accompany us no matter how far we lose our way and that by our fidelity to Christ we accept or reject the standing offer.

And because the Ascension is an Easter feast it develops even further that there is nowhere, bar evil, where God does not dwell. Because of the Resurrection and Ascension we can find God everywhere we want to: in our homes, our work, our suffering, our old age, our emotional, sexual or financial turmoil – and even in our death.

Even though the writers of the New Testament are not too clear on the details of how the Ascension happened, what we initially see in this wonderful feast is not what we get. **Thanks be to God, it's so much more.**

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Anointing & Healing Mass



First Friday of the Month: 7th June 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



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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	
RECONCILIATION		
Every Saturday	9.30 am at St Patrick's	
Every Friday	After 9am Mass at St Bernard's,	(except First Friday—see above)

This Week's: Readings & Prayers

7th week of EASTER

Monday 03/06

Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs
Mass of the Saints
Preface of weekday or saints,
Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday 04/06

Mass of the day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II,
Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11

Wednesday 05/06

St Boniface, bishop, martyr
Mass of the Saint
Preface of weekday or saint
Acts 20: 28-38; Jn 17:11-19

Thursday 06/06

Mass of the day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II,
Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday 07/06

Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II,
Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday 08/06

Mass of the Day
Preface of Easter I-V or Ascension I-II,
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

Reba Mackett, Judy Huntley,
Father Boberg, Marie Wilson,
Tony Dirckze, Andrzej Maciejewski,
Brendan Thomas Stubbs,
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:

Paul Sarkis, Eve Davis (baby),
Penny Rigor, David Rogencamp,
Rodney Porter, Sheryl Sanchez Reyes,
Irena Fellmann, Jwona Nowak,
Jennifer Hindmarsh, Elaine Longmuir,
Paula McGauley, Michael Quinn,
June Eileen, Patricia Smith (Carlton),
Ramona Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson,
Rosalinga de Ramos, Jaz Pitts,
Georgia Meyers, Angela Smith,
Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker,
Maureen Sharpe, Ewa Rakoz, Z,
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.*

Welcome Fr Eliseus and Fr Anselam to Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish.

Both of the above Fathers are attached to Holy Name Parish, Wahroonga and have arranged their busy schedules to enable one of them to cover some masses in our parish over the next 5 weekends.

We also welcome Fr Bineesh Joseph

who is the new Priest to the Syro-Malabar community replacing Fr Leonse.

In the short-term, Fr Bineesh will be assisting Fr Joy with weekday masses whenever he is available.

You are all very warmly welcomed to our parish and we hope you enjoy your time with us.



It's on—TODAY Children's Liturgy @ KCCP

and we would like to invite the children of our parish to come to Children's Liturgy at both our churches. Children's Liturgy is a great way for children to share in the Mass as the Liturgy of the Word is presented to the children at their level of understanding. All children aged from 4 years old are invited to join us for Children's Liturgy (children under 4 years are also welcome when accompanied by an adult).

Remaining Term 2 Dates:
June 2, July 21.

9am Mass @ St Bernard's

Jackie Tod
is co-ordinator for SBB
and takes the
1st Sunday class

Marta Chylewska-Fulton
takes the
3rd Sunday class

For more details contact
Jackie on 0414 579 477
or the parish office.

10am Mass @ St Patrick's

Please sign your child in
at the school/parish hall
from 9.45am prior to the
10am Mass commencing.

Liz Trist, Lisa Payne,
and Bec Daly
are co-ordinators for SPA

For more details please
contact Liz or Lisa via:
lizzee27@hotmail.com
lisalunchbox@yahoo.com



First Eucharist

The children of our parish are preparing to receive Jesus in First Eucharist.

This will occur in our parish Churches on the weekend of 22 and 23 June.

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers at this time.

Please come along to either of our Parish Playgroups

Tuesdays at St Patrick's Asquith

Fridays at St Bernard's Berowra Heights



Tuesday during School Terms 9.00 – 11.00am

Paddy's Kids Playgroup is run by parents in the Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Catholic Parish. The playgroup offers a creative, encouraging and nurturing environment, which provides opportunities for unstructured play for children up to the age of 5 years. Each Tuesday morning finds us in the CAVE at 9am for Storytime, followed by playtime in the parish meeting room and the school grounds. All pre-schoolers and their families are welcome. No need to let us know you are coming – just turn up on the morning.

Membership fees are \$15 per term (which covers all the family, not just one child).

There is no need to book or commit to a full term. Casual visits are \$3 per visit. If you would like more information about Paddy's Kids in general, please do not hesitate to contact Wendy Robinson 0424 730 602 or Annette Johnson 0421 955 279 or email us at paddys.playgroup@gmail.com



Fridays during School Terms 9.00 – 11.00am

Bernie's Kids is a group of Mums, Dads, Grandparents and carers of children aged between 0 and 5 who meet in the school hall at St Bernard's School, Warrina Street, Berowra Heights, during the school term. The adults get to have a chat, and the children get to enjoy free play, craft, playdoh and other fun activities. It is a great way to spend a morning as well as making and catching up with new friends. Cost = \$1.50 per day, or \$10 per term

Bring your own morning tea (no nuts please). Tea, coffee & milk provided.

We look forward to meeting you! If you would like more information about Bernie's Kids in general, please do not hesitate to contact: Lisa Miles on: 0413 231 389 / Email: lisa82miles@gmail.com

Counters Roster

St Patrick's Asquith
now available in the Sacristy
for volunteers on this roster.



BROKEN BAY NEWS—June 2019 edition now available from the back of our churches and includes some great reading. Feature stories this month: Filipino Chaplaincy launched in Broken Bay, Toukley-Munmorah Parish, Vale Dn Jim Caulfield.



WEEKENDS COLLECTIONS: *It is the 2nd Collection which is*
ESSENTIAL for our **PARISH** to **FUNCTION FINANCIALLY** and is
used to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance,
telecommunications, pastoral programmes, church and office expenses, wages, Priests' petrol
etc. **The 1st Collection:** goes to a common fund **outside the Parish** to support priests.





Plenary Council 2020 – Year of Discernment
The Year of Discernment phase of our journey towards Plenary Council 2020 continues in earnest at Pentecost, beginning with 5pm Pentecost Vigil Mass celebrated by Fr David Ranson, Diocesan Administrator, at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

In the weeks following, resources will become available to support small group listening and discernment encounters related to the themes. Keep up to date with the latest information and resources by subscribing to the Plenary Council Newsletter at: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> and by clicking on 'News'.



Musicians / Tech Support Needed!

We have gaping holes in our musicians' roster at St Patrick's and St Bernard's and we need willing musicians to help!

We have wonderful musicians in our parish, some of them committed to playing four or even six times a month, and we can't ask them to spread themselves more thinly. We need volunteers to step up and join the music ministry, singers, keyboard players, guitarists or other instrumentalists.

ALL TRAINING is provided, mentorship by our skilled and experienced musicians. In the absence of live music, we need **laptop operators** to play mp3s at some Masses - again, training is provided.

Please help! Call the parish office 9456 2450 or Patricia Smith 9482 7935

Senior Parish Choir will be singing at the monthly Mass of Anointing at St Bernard's church next Friday, 7th June at 11.30am. New singers always welcome!

Children's Choir @ St Patrick's is looking forward to celebrating its **14th anniversary** next Sunday, 9th June, at 10am Mass! There will be a special blessing for all singers, and certificates will be presented to singers who have been with the Choir for one year or more.

Children's Choir is open to any young person from Year 3 and up. We practise every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church, and we sing at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. All welcome!

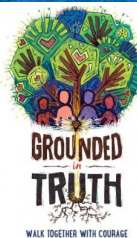
Cherubs Choir will be singing with the Children's Choir at St Patrick's next Sunday, 9th June! The Cherubs practise on Tuesday mornings from 8.15 to 8.45am during school terms. Young singers from Kinder to Year 2 can join at any time - call Patricia Smith 9482 7935 for more information or come and see what we do at our next practice.



The Asquith Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society meets every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting room at St. Patricks. Any parishioner who is interested in joining or would like to know more about the Society is very welcome to come along to our meeting. Alan Henson, President.



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. NRW concludes today 3 June and this year's theme is **"Grounded in Truth, Walk Together with Courage"**, which 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/>



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

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.



Safeguarding: A culture of Safeguarding values PRESENCE... "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." - Matthew 18:20

Carols Under the Star presents our new coordinator Kirsten MacKinnon



Kirsten has answered the call and will be St Bernard's parish/school representative on the 2019 organising committee.

Thanks Kirsten, looking forward to December!



Calling all our Youth!
Join us TONIGHT 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@bbccatholic.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)



Proclaiming Pentecost

You are invited to celebrate Pentecost at Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood, on Pentecost Eve.

Proclaiming Pentecost is an inter-denominational event, to gather and pray with our brothers and sisters in Christ for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit over a region.

This is the 5th year the event is being held around Sydney, and this year the region in focus is Northern Sydney and the Northern Beaches. All are welcome.

Date: Saturday 8 June 2019

Time: 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Venue: Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood 94 Archer St Chatswood (parking via Kirk St)

Enquiries: Parish Office 9410 9000

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 8/9th June—Pentecost Sunday—Year C

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

Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Jn 14:15-16, 23-26



KU-RING-GAI CHASE
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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 Eliseus	Fr Eliseus	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Eliseus
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Alex Jarominek	Sue Lum	Vince/ Matthew	David Massa	Keith Fone
Server	Josephine Harman Sophia Harman Adam Waite	Max Jarominek Ella Noble Bronte Tonkin		Sarah Croft Sam Park Leith Suyyah Abbey McAdam	Adrian Joson Sam Holm Gabriella Chahine	Anika Campos Olivia Ratcliffe John Larson
Reader	Kerrin Enright Sophia Smith	Clare McLoughlin Matthius McLoughlin	Penny Loughland Sue Watts	Vivienne Schreiber Russel Schreiber	Mary Stokes Deborah de Voss	Fiona Fone Simone Noel
Children's Liturgy	June 2, 2019 – Jackie T-F		June 2, 2019 – Grace M and Melissa M			
Communion to Sick	Garth Graham		Millie Wong, Cynthia Gilbertson			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Marcia Woods, Anne Bourke, Gwen Wood, Helen Johnson, Cecilia Waite(f) Anne Bourke(s).		Marie Bright, Imm lui, Jeanette Hester, Anthony Drake, Fione Fone(f)			
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		June: Sydney Fernandes ***** HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED *****			
Counters	Genevieve Funk, Lyn Beacom, Luisa Gomez		Les Fogden, Alan Henson, Paul Worthington, Domingos Fernandes			

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

Rosary	After weekday Masses both Churches
Visit Housebound	Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450
Urgent sick calls	Fr Shaju John 9456 7010 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery)
Nursing Home Visits	By request
Clergy Days Off	Fr Shaju John – Monday Fr Joy Thomas – Tuesday
Home Visits	For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests Please call the Office 9456 2450

HOSPITAL ADMISSION:

If you are admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services.

Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

First Friday of the Month: 7th June 2019 See pg.1 for details

ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:

◇ [Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB

Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments at both Parish Schools ON NOW!

St Bernard's & St Patrick's Catholic Primary School are currently accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2020.

We also have limited vacancies in other grades.

Enrolment packages can be collected from EITHER school office or downloaded from their websites. School tours available by apptn.

SBB: Ph: 9456 2104 — Website: www.sbbdbb.catholic.edu.au

SPA: Ph: 9477 3800 — Website: www.stpat.nsw.edu.au

The 250 Club!

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