

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 10th October 2021 ~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30



Entrance Antiphon: Responsorial Psalm: Gospel Acclamation: Communion Antiphon: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

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 Loving Gaze © Fr Michael Tate

Let's go straight to the protagonist in this story who at the end is called a man of great wealth. In that society this meant a landowner with extensive holdings.

But this wealth had corrupted his whole personality and way of thinking. There was no deep down hunger because whenever he craved anything, he knew he could buy it or use his status or power to bend others to his will.

The man boasts about all the commandments he has kept but Jesus is not satisfied with that minimum. Jesus is not a minimalist. Jesus tunes into the man's wavelength and says: **'There is one thing you** *lack.*'

That would have got the rich man's attention: the suggestion that he was missing something.

But to his shock he was to hear that what he was lacking was a big heart, a very big heart: 'Go, sell everything you own and give everything to the poor.'

He had to get rid of his possessions and the security and status they bought because they were shrivelling up his heart.

Jesus is saying to you and to me: 'Yes, you keep the commandments, more or less. At least you try. Okay. But that is really the bare minimum. The real question is: What do you have to do to expand your heart: to become big hearted enough to allow my heartbeat to become your heartbeat?'

We each know what is holding us back from being one heart with Jesus Christ.

For some, to be a true follower will require giving up all possessions, as with St Francis of Assisi. For others, a real hurting redistribution of wealth is required. Our taxes do a fair bit of that, and then our voluntary response to need and injustice on top of that.

But at some stage in our lives, we have known, or know now, or will know what it is we are hanging on to: the one thing we cannot or will not give up. The one thing that is so much part of our personality we cannot imagine what it would be like to get up and get rid of it.

There is only one factor that can give us, give you, give me, the courage and trust that is needed.

Note in the Gospel story, and the only time in Mark, it says: 'Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him.'

St John of the Cross, the Spanish mystic, says that: 'With God, to gaze at is to love', desiring to imprint grace on the one held in the loving gaze (*The Spiritual Canticle*, stanzas 32, 33).

'Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him.'

Those eyes, that gaze, is directed at you, and at me personally, totally, directly, but most of all lovingly. It is not the glare of the critical eye but the look full of the possibility of who you could be as a follower of Jesus Christ.

That, and only that, can give you the courage.

So close your eyes and envisage our Lord Jesus Christ gazing steadily on you and say:

'Lord, I know there is something you want me to do to enlarge my heart.'

'Lord, I know there is something I must give up to enable this to happen.'

'Lord, give me courage and trust.'

'Lord, look steadily at me and love me.'

'Amen.'

PASTORAL CENTRE			WEEKEND MASSES		
1-19 Woodcourt Road, Berowra Heights 2082 P.O. Box 335, Berowra Heights 2082 Phone: (02) 9456 2450 Email: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au		KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC MARSH Docene of Briden Bay, Autonia	Saturday Sunday	5pmSt Bernard's6pmSt Patrick's8amSt Patrick's9amSt Bernard's10amSt Patrick's	
Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp		Both churches will re-open for		6pm St Patrick's	
Centre Hours:	9am – 3.30pm.	private prayer and devotion		WEEKDAY MASSES	
Parish Priest Assistant Priest	Fr Shaju John, OSH Fr Joy Thomas, OSH	WEEKDAYS	St Bernard's	8am Mon, Tues and Thurs. 9am Wednesday and Friday	
Parish Secretary	Margaret Cooper	9am to 1pm	St Patrick's	8am Wednesday and Friday 9am Mon, Tues, Thurs and S	
Bookkeeper Vol. Office Assist. (Tues)	Karen Price Jan Favaloro	from 11 October to 24th October		RECONCILIATION	
Sacramental Team: kccpsacraments@gmail.com		Additional restrictions are at the discretion of the Parish Priest for the safety of all parishioners.	Every Saturday Every Friday	9.30 am at St Patrick's After 9am Mass at St Bernard	's

Emergency sick calls 0468 341 841 (Out of office hours URGENT only) - 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.*



THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

ORDINARY TIME ~ Year B

Monday 11/10 Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32 Tuesday 12/10 Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday 13/10 Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday 14/10 Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday 15/10 ~ Memorial St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7

(Alt. Rom 8:22-27; Jn 15:1-8) Saturday 16/10

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Murphy, John Kitchen, Harold D'Souza, Nicholas Shaw

ANNIVERSARIES: Nancy Gomez, Kerrin Enright,

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: For those suffering around the world from Covid-19 - that this disease will be successfully brought under control and eliminated as a health risk for all.

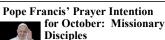
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Sr Joel SVM Mary John, Alex John, Bindu Alex, Joseph Alex, Antonia Alvarado, Dana Saleh, Chris Enright, Tom Dawson, Sally Agnew, Jola & Stach Uchman, David Chee, Elaine Longmuir, Jean Cook, Roger Okell, Patrick Dorahy, Patrick O'Donoghue, Sr Mary Treacy, Marie Haag, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, Sr Tincy Thomas, John Gallagher, Dan Leavy, Felicity Fone, Barbara Jones, Peter Brooks, Anne Brady, Marie O'Hare, Brian Treacy, Stephen C C, John Cosgrove (Snr), Antonia Alvarado, Peter Nguyen, Nemia Camille Asiong, Rodney Porter.

The 250 Club!

Week 12 - 04/10/2021 Winning #: 895 Winner: Unfinancial Amount: \$25.00

PASTORAL August 2021 Pastoral Works Appeal Broken Bay.

Donations to date = \$5,190, and can still be taken, please call or email the parish office.





baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

We pray that every

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CONFIRMATION 2021 ~ THE DATE HAS BEEN SET FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2021



Dear Candidates, parents, carers and sponsors, some great news at last!

PLEASE SAVE THE AFTERNOON / EVENING FOR THIS DATE

Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on Friday the 19th November 2021. Times and logistics on just how this will work are yet to be finalised

BUT we wanted you to know the date ASAP so you can MARK YOUR DIARIES.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no alternate date being offered in the parish.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY My Rosary

What comfort just to clasp it, my rosary so dear, each mystery brings fresh courage, and drives away all fear.

In prayer so oft repeated, yet never growing old, I read the wondrous story, of God's own love unfold.

Each chaplet forms a garland, to place at Mary's feet, fair buds and full-bloom roses, exhaling fragrance sweet.

The crucifix which crowns it, reminds me day by day, to bravely bear my crosses, along earth's rugged way.

I hope when life is ended, and death shall set me free, still twined around my fingers, will be my Rosary.

Thank you Scott Smith and family for your enduring gift to the parish



The very unassuming Scott Smith, member of the Parish Finance Committee and Altar Society who hails from the Asquith end of the parish, has most generously donated **TWO exquisitely elegant Chalice and Paten Sets** ~ one for each church of our parish.

Scott never seeks recognition for his good deeds but sometimes you just have to be recognised, acknowledged, THANKED! The sets called 'Nottingham' come to us from Liverpool England and are of the highest quality - silver plated and gold lined. t

The Chalice is simply decorated with a gold band recessed into the pommel and a delicate gold cross is etched on the base.

t The 'welled' Paten, also silver plated and lined with gold loses nothing by being unadorned.

The set gifted to St Patrick's Church was used for the very first time t by Bishop Anthony on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary Mass on Sunday 26th September.

t The set gifted to St Bernard's Church will be blessed and used for the first time to mark the occasion of the lifting of lockdown ~ hopefully Vigil Mass on 30th October.

May God bless you and your family abundantly Scott every time Mass is offered with these vessels.



A new online App to assist Parish giving ~ Parish Giving Broken Bay is a newly developed digital App for the Catholic community in Broken Bay, which offers weekly giving for Clergy, Parish and Pastoral collections. Straightforward, modern and easy to use, it offers the ability to:

- give regular weekly offerings to 1st and 2nd Collection
- see readings of the day;
- find Mass times and Livestream information;
- discover Catholic news highlights.

Weekly collections are a major source of funds for Parish mission and ministry. With the ability to easily set up Planned Giving for 1st and 2nd Collections, the new App provides flexible giving options as envelopes and cash increasingly become less common. The App is available on desktop or mobile at www.bbcatholic.org.au/parishgiving

Or search for "Parish Giving Broken Bay" and download the App in your mobile store.



NEW Bank Account Number: To obtain the details of our new bank account (for regular or ad **OUR BANK** hoc donations), please contact the parish office on 9456 2450 or via email to: DETAILS parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au ~ Thank you for your ongoing financial support of the parish.

Proposed Roadmap out-of-lockdown and back-to-Church

NB: This roadmap may be changed by the NSW Govt and/or the Diocese of Broken Bay at short notice. Additional restrictions may be made from time to time at the discretion of the Parish Priest for the safety of all parishioners.

Important Message from our Parish Priest

In light of the messages from the Diocese of Broken Bay Chancery and

the "Roadmap" issued by the New South Wales Government on 27 September 2021 (* see below),

Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish anticipates recommencing services as follows:

PHASE ONE

WHEN 70% ARE FULLY VACCINATED

Estimated date Monday 11 October 2021

(Please be mindful of Govt. requirements for this stage and engage this opportunity with a sense of responsibility and COVID safety).

- + Churches will reopen for private prayer and devotion only between 9am & 1pm weekdays only;
- + Public Masses remain suspended;
- + Weekend Sunday masses will be live-streamed as usual (6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday);
- **† Baptisms** are **delayed** until the next stage;
- **† Weddings** and **funerals**: up to 50 people may attend. Those attending need to be vaccinated;
- [†] Those who are unvaccinated may only attend funeral with a maximum number of 10 people;
- It is essential that anyone visiting our churches use the QR code to register your visit, sanitise, and always wear a mask.

PHASE TWO

WHEN 80% ARE FULLY VACCINATED

Estimated date Monday 25 October 2021

- + Welcome to all vaccinated and unvaccinated alike;
- + Mass and Reconciliation schedule resumes as before lockdown;
- + Live-streamed Sunday Masses cease as we can come together again publicly;
- **†** ALL attendees required to use QR Code to sign in for contact tracing;
- The 4sqm rule will apply allowing up to 62 individuals in St Bernard's Church and allowing up to 101 individuals in St Patrick's Church at any one time;
- **ALL attendees required** to **wear a mask** as per State Government regulation;
- † **<u>NO</u> congregational singing allowed:** but one musician and one cantor are allowed;
- **†** Baptisms resume special opportunities have been made available call for details.

PHASE THREE

WHEN 90% ARE EXPECTED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED Estimated date 1 DECEMBER 2021 – "THE NEW NORMAL"

- + Again we Welcome all back to Mass, **vaccinated and unvaccinated** alike;
- + ALL attendees are still required to use QR Code to sign in for contact tracing;
- The **2sqm rule now applies** allowing up to 124 individuals in St Bernard's Church and allowing up to 202 individuals in St Patrick's Church at any one time;
- + Wearing of **masks** is now **optional**;
- **Congregational singing** is allowed <u>at some Masses only</u> details to be advised;

If you have any questions regarding the above please <u>EMAIL</u> the parish office. parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au



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