

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus' Diocese of Broken Bay ~11th July 2021 ~ 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13



Entrance Antiphon: Responsorial Psalm: **Gospel Acclamation:** As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how

great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

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'

Attention all parents/carers of children enrolled for **CONFIRMATION 2021** PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT on Wednesday 14 July 2021 will be conducted via **ZOOM**

As I did not wish to postpone the parent information evening for Confirmation and

considering we are all at home in lockdown anyway, it seemed sensible to hold this very important and mandatory evening via Zoom.

You will soon receive details from the Sacramental Team in your emails with instructions on how to go about attending the evening using Zoom.

Please direct any enquiries regarding this Zoom talk to our coordinators via: kccpsacraments@gmail.com (not the Parish Office).

Today is Sea Sunday,

when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living.



Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church.

It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually, and funds raised by Stella Maris are used to provide much practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports.

To assist this ministry, which is dependent upon donations, please consider sending a donations to: bit.ly/seasunday2021

Saturday

Sunday

For more information visit: www.stellamarisaustralia.org



Choosing our journeys

[...] For most of us, a holiday involves a going, a journey of some kind. An important part of a holiday is leaving the familiar, the place where we usually live and work, and heading off to a different kind of place. There is always something exciting about setting out on such a journey. There are other journeys in life that are not of our choosing in quite that way. These are journeys we make because, at some level, we feel we must make them. Something within us moves us to certain path, to head out in a certain direction. Even though we sense the journey may be

difficult, and we may have all kinds of hesitations and reservations about it, nonetheless, we know we have to set out on this path, if we are to be true to ourselves. Yes, we choose to make such a journey, but it is a choice in response to what seems like a call from beyond ourselves or from deep within ourselves.

Such a journey is put before us in today's first reading. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamore trees in the southern kingdom of Judah. Yet, at a certain moment in his life, he felt under compulsion to make a difficult journey into the Northern kingdom of Israel in order to preach the word of God there. It was a most unlikely journey for the likes of Amos to make, and Amos was well aware that it would be no holiday. Yet, he also knew that this was a journey he simply had to make. He spoke of this compulsion in terms of God's call: 'The Lord... took me from herding the flock and... said "Go".' Amos went because he had a strong sense that he was being sent. In a similar way, in the gospel, the disciples set out on a journey because they are sent on that journey by Jesus. [continues over page]

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SEATING CAPACITY AT OUR CHURCHES

[applying the current 2m2 requirement] St Patrick's: 202 persons at St Bernard's: 122 persons

Physical Distancing - people from the same household may sit together in the church. Couples and families can be seated together however, social distancing is to be maintained between family groups.

Additional restrictions are at the discretion of the Parish Priest for the safety of all parishioners.

WLLINLIND	MASSES		
5pm	St Bernard's		
6pm	St Patrick's		
8am	St Patrick's		

9am

MEEKEND WYGGEG

10am St Patrick's St Patrick's 6pm

St Bernard's

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues and Thurs. St Bernard's 8am Wednesday and Friday 9am St Patrick's 8am Wednesday and Friday Mon, Tues, Thurs and Sat. 9am

RECONCILIATION

9.30 am at St Patrick's Every Saturday After 9am Mass at St Bernard's **Every Friday**

THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

ORDINARY TIME ~ Year B

Monday 12/07 Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34- 11:1 Tuesday 13/07

Ex 2:1-15; Mt 11:20-24 Wednesday 14/07

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27 Thursday 15/07 ~ Memorial

St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30

Friday 16/07 Ex 11:10 - 12:14; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday 17/07 Ex 12: 37-42; Mt 12:14-21

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Matthew Hughes, John Wright ANNIVERSARIES:

Dr Ken Gray, Gary Simpson, Christin Simpson, Marta Granecka, Maree Hayden, Uwe Haag, Leo Vila 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: Peter Todd, Sally Agnew, Jola & Stach Uchman, Angela Smith, Patrick O'Donoghue, David Chee, Roger Okell, Elaine Longmuir, Patrick Dorahy, Sr Mary Treacy, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, Tom Dawson, Sr Tincy Thomas, John Gallagher, Marie Haag, Felicity Fone, Jean Cook, Peter Brooks, Barbara Jones, Brian Treacy, Dan Leavy, Stephen C C, Anne Brady, Marie O'Hare, John Cosgrove (Snr), Antonia Alvarado, Peter Nguyen, Nemia Camille Asiong, Rodney Porter

The 250 Club! 🧐

Series Two (2) 2021 Begins: 19 July 2021 Ends: 29 November 2021

If you are not financial, now is the time to get up to date, so you don't miss out on the chance to win \$500.00.

Remember, if you aren't financial we cannot pay out if your number comes up.

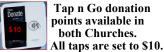
Number blocks are still available so contact the office for more details on how you can be part of this long running and highly successful parish fundraiser.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July: Social friendship

~ We pray that, in social, economic



and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



Thank you for your ongoing support through these devices.



COVID-19 Update - Churches in Broken Bay to remain closed

For the duration of this Covid Lockdown Sunday Mass will be live-streamed from our Parish as follows: Saturday Vigil—6pm from St Patrick's, Asquith Sunday—9am from St Bernard's, Berowra Heights

Weekday Mass continues to be livestreamed from our Cathedral at 7am.

Message from Bishop Anthony Randazzo on Saturday 26 June 2021.

In order that our people be kept as safe as possible, I ask that all our churches in Diocese of Broken Bay be closed from 6pm, 26 June 2021 until the stay at home order is lifted.

Since this is at my request, the obligation for the faithful to participate in Sunday Mass (can.1247) is lifted for the people of Broken Bay for the duration of this stay at home order.



ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT - new vision, new energy, new life -

Next week we are hoping to bring you feedback on the keynote addresses given at this innovative online conference.

The workshops will follow at a later date/s when we are safely out of lockdown and details will be provided via this bulletin, so please watch this space.

Further information can be found at https://aliveinthespirit.com.au



They set out freely, but in response to a call, a sending.

The experience of Amos and the disciples can be our experience too, setting out on a journey not completely of our choosing. The 2nd Reading suggests the mystery of God's

purpose for our lives. It says that God wants us to live in a certain way, to live our life's journey as Jesus did. Although we often make all kinds of journeys of our own choosing, whether holidays or business or other trips, there is sense in which we try to allow our God to guide us to take certain paths and to avoid others, moving us in one direction rather than another. Although God has chosen this journey for us – 'before the world was made', according to St Paul – God wants us to also choose this journey for ourselves, and waits for us to do so. This is not a choice we make once and for all; it is one we are constantly remaking. All our lives we can keep on choosing to surrender to God's purpose for us; we keep setting out on the journey God is calling us to take; we keep inviting God to have his way in our lives, saying with Mary, 'Let it be to me according to your word'.

If we keep choosing the journey that God has chosen for us in Christ, responding to God's call, this will impact on the many smaller journeys we take in life. It will influence our holidays for example. We will choose to holiday in ways that are genuinely *recreational*, that help re-create the image of God's Son in us. We will relax in ways that are life-giving for ourselves and for others, in ways that help us to become more fully the person God wants us to be.

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Vox Episcopi - The Voice of the Bishop - 6th July 2021 My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In the past week I had the opportunity to speak at the Tri-Diocesan social justice twilight gathering via Zoom. The three local Churches that participated are Broken Bay, Parramatta, and Sydney. About 100 people participated, which was a tremendous effort considering the

last-minute arrangements caused by the latest episode of COVID in our community.

The evening provided an opportunity to reflect upon the 2020-21 Social Justice Statement from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference titled, "To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today", which can be found here...

(https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Social-Justice-Statement-2020-WEB.pdf)

I think that the ACBC Social Justice Statement is timely, given the challenging effects on mental wellbeing and health over the past 18 months as we navigate the COVID environment in which we live. My contribution was to reflect on mental health from the perspective of faith. The text of my reflection can be located here...

(https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:b21633bf-b60e-4bf8-8f46-a9d4198d46dc#pageNum=1)

I hope that it may be of assistance as we reflect upon mental health issues; the dignity of the human person; suffering with Christ crucified; and the love of God for all people.

Our clergy and parish teams are well situated to offer direction for those within the community of the Church who are in need and who might benefit from assistance. Some parishes have people specifically trained in this area, and all parishes are able to offers pathways for people who are in need of support through CatholicCare Broken Bay (https://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/crisis-support/).

As we continue to traverse the COVID landscape, I hope that we will be alert once more to those who struggle or who are overwhelmed at this time. We have shown strength and resilience as a community of the Church. I pray that we will be vigilant towards the most vulnerable members of our community, especially in this time of lockdown when many may be alone or without comfort.

We remain united always in the Spirit of Christ our Lord. + Authory

YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

During this "Year of St Joseph", we will hopefully bring you a monthly reflection on aspects of St Joseph's life and character provided to us by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.

REFLECTION - JULY 2021 - Joseph— "A Just Man"

Generally, when the saints are presented to us as models for imitation, we are shown how they embodied some particular virtue shown in them.

In the case of St Joseph, we are told that he is "a just man" in the context of his deciding to put Mary away privately or divorce her informally. Ever since the early Church, people have wondered why this particular action makes St Joseph just.

One suggestion is that he knew Mary's chastity, and wished to conceal in silence what he did not understand. But if Mary wasn't really at fault at all and Joseph knew this, then she would be treated unjustly by being put away, quietly or not. On the other hand, if she is indeed guilty of adultery, concealment of the sin would seem to be participation in her injustice. The text suggests, rather, that Joseph really was ignorant of what the reality was and the guilt or innocence of Mary. And his justice in this situation is that he does not expose her to a public trial for a private sin that, in all likelihood, she might not have been guilty of. At the same time, he also does not want to prejudge the issue of guilt. So he decides to balance what the law requires of him with mercy towards her.

Joseph's example helps us as we work out how to live justice in our day-to-day lives.

Often the Christian imperative to mercy is misinterpreted, so as to suggest that in all situations, it is the only possible Christian response to any injuries that one has suffered, particularly private injuries. In particular, we do this in relation to families and often in the confessional. But mercy needs also to satisfy the demands of justice and restoring the relationship and the order damaged by the injury. And behind those abstractions of "relationship" and "order" lies human suffering in all its painful reality. To ignore this is itself a denial of mercy towards someone who has suffered injustice.

On the other hand, justice, if it is to be justice, should be marked by the mercy which recognises the humanity and dignity of both the person who committed the injury and the person who suffered. It should leave the road open to someone's innocence or their conversion, as well as account for the limitedness of our knowledge. Not to allow for this is to be unjust in the sense of not giving someone their due. Thus, mercy and justice, far from being opposed to each other, actually undergird and enable each other. The Scriptures call St Joseph 'just' after showing us a situation which he initially misread because of his limited understanding of what was happening. This should encourage us not to set aside the quest for justice as impossible in view of our limited knowledge or our own sinfulness or the sinfulness of the world at large. It should lead us not to set mercy in opposition to justice to the detriment of both, but trust that if we aim for it in union with God, we too can attain it through his mercy and his grace.

Fr Robert Krishna OP is a Dominican priest and chaplain to Monash University.



Do you have a place in your heart and home for a child in need?

DBB CatholicCare Foster Care Campaign

We are looking for foster carers on the Central Coast, Northern Beaches, Greater North Shore and Northern Sydney areas. Tragically, there are many children and young people in our community who are unable to live with their families through no fault of their own.

Today we are asking if there any families in our Parish that may be able to take a child into their loving and supportive homes? **Not sure if you could help out?** Why not get more information before making that final decision which could change a child's life forever by going to: https://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/foster-care/, plus you can view a video featuring a foster family and our Bishop to get a visual idea of this life changing call - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ui_n1wZ_0dk **Still not quite sure?** Contact Melinda Rixon at CatholicCare melinda.rixon@catholiccaredbb.org.au



THE JOURNEY CONTINUES!

'So they set off to preach repentance' Mark 6:7-13

Fan the Flame ~ Towards Plenary Assembly ~ 01 / 10 / 2021

Reflection ~ Australian Catholics are deeply aware of their own limitations and failings in witnessing to the kingdom of Christ in the world... In many ways, the Church itself is deeply wounded and in need of the healing love of its Lord. (Instrumentum Laboris #64)

Reflection Ouestion

How might the Church in Australia respond to the call to 'ecological conversion'? How can we express and promote a commitment to an 'integral ecology of life' in all its dimensions, with particular attention to the more vulnerable people and environments in our country and region?

Instrumentum Laboris

At the turn of the millennium, Pope John Paul II spoke prophetically of the Church's need for an "examination of conscience" and for acts of repentance in the light of historical failures by Church members to live according to way of the Gospel.

The starting point for a renewed mission must be a communal "purification of memory" and a request for forgiveness from those injured or alienated by the words, attitudes and actions of Church members. As the Second Vatican Council put it: "the Church is not blind to the large gap which exists between the message which it delivers and the human frailty of those who are entrusted with the Gospel"

Please pray for the Plenary Council

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

TAX RECEIPTS

for the 2020 / 2021 financial year



- Receipts are only issued to those who gave to a tax deductible cause - CWF & Caritas (Project Compassion) NB: Planned Giving Env's are NOT Tax deductible.
- + Parishioners with a known email address should have received their Tax receipts by now. Please check your inbox and your junk box.
- † Those for whom we do not have email addresses should shortly receive your Tax receipt via the mail. Please allow time for delivery via Australia Post.
- the parish office on 9456 2450 on or after Wednesday 14th July 2021.

Lectionary Art

Jesus advises his disciples to 'take nothing for their journey' but the bare essentials – a pair of sandals and a staff. Travelling light is clearly essential so that nothing will hold them back from spreading the Good News. Their task is like sowing seeds which others will nurture and bring to

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SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

A strong connection of Safeguarding practices and the human and spiritual Rights of the Child is essential for a child safe Parish.

Did you know it is not the responsibility of the child to make their rights possible... it is the responsibility of all adults to make the right possible for the child?



It is not just to recognise that all children have rights, but to ensure that every child enjoys those rights.

It is not just to advocate for children's rights, but to take concerted action that truly enables children and young people to thrive.



ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 17th/18th July - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

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	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm	
Acolyte / Snr	Garth Graham	Barbara McMullen	Janice Pasoquen	Bill Martin	Malcolm Cross	Keith Fone	
Reader (1)	Natasha Steele	Alena Hartmann	Celia Cox	Michael Halliday	Simone Noel	Kerri O'Neill	
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Zinta Hartmann	Penny Loughland	Sue Lum	Cora Cuasay	Paul O'Neill	
Usher / s	Jan & Joseph Favaloro	Freda Alaalatoa	Chris Smith	Jim Fitzgerald	Chris & Sue Newnham	Les Fogden	
Sacristy Care/ Church	Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter, Tina Manti (s) Marlene Moloney (f) Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara		ead, Barbara Folkard,	Michelle Hwang (f), Leticia	Wee, Michelle Blanco		
Maintenance	Teams A & B - additional I	nelp always appreciated	July: Grace Milen, Milen Kurishingal, Patrick Dias - additional help always appreciated				
Communion to	Mt Wilga Rehab. Hospital	Jane Hunter	Regis (KRG Gardens)	Mary O'Malley	Christophorus House	James & Leanne McMasters	

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.

Information Seminar Wills, Enduring Guardianship and Powers Of Attorney

A free seminar for the Catholic community of Broken Bay, featuring an expert legal adviser to answer your questions about Wills and Elder Law topics.

Date: Time: Venue:

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Saturday 17 July 2021 2.00pm – 3.30pm The Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Avenue, Waitara, 2077

Catering: Light refreshments provided
Register: www.trybooking.com/BPNGJ
Or contact David Armstrong to
register on 02 8379 1664 or
david.armstrong@bbcatholic.org.au

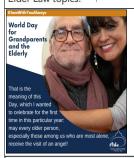
Presenter: Cecilia Castle, Solicitor, Castle

Cecilia Castle, principal of Castle Lawyers, will present and answer questions from her legal expertise of over 30 years. Cecilia is regular speaker and writer on legal topics, a resident of Hornsby Shire and parishioner in our Catholic

Diocese of Broken Bay.

The perfect church service would be one we were almost unaware of. Our attention would have been on God.

C.S. Lewis



ADVANCED NOTICE: First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Sunday 25 July 2021

As part of the celebrations for the Year Amoris Laetitia Family, Pope Francis has set aside the fourth Sunday in the month of July as World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This year the first ever World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on Sunday 25 July. This is a significant new addition to the church calendar where Pope Francis is asking the Church to set aside time to recognise the great contribution grandparents make to the life of the family and the importance of the elderly to the mission of the Church. It is the elderly who have suffered particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic through illness and loss of life as well as loneliness during times of lockdown. Speaking as an elderly person himself, Pope Francis encourages the older members of the community to take up a "renewed vocation", the foundational pillars of which are dreams, memory and prayer. This new mission is crucial to the rebuilding of our troubled societies.

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