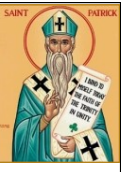


# KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 12th March 2023 ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent ~ Year A

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

**Entrance Antiphon:** My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

**Responsorial Psalm:** If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

**Alleluia Verse:** Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Communion Antiphon:** For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

*'Seek God,*

*Find God,*

*Embrace God in Jesus'*

**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'.*

## 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

Until further notice there will be **ONE Morning Mass only** on weekdays

**St Patrick's 9am:**  
Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat  
**St Bernard's 9am: Wed ~ Fri**  
(except 1st Friday of the month when Mass is at 11.30am @ St Bernard's)

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30am St Patrick's  
Friday After 9am Mass 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.*



## St Patrick ~ a pilgrim himself still inspiring pilgrims in 2023 !

On 17 March every year, we celebrate the life (and eternal life) of St Patrick, the patron Saint of Ireland. In Australia this is marked by the Catholic Church as a Solemnity — a celebration of great importance.

St Patrick was born in Britain and had never planned to go to Ireland, yet it was in Ireland where he was destined to become a great missionary.

The first time he went was against his will as a captive and the second time was in accordance with God's will. God has a definite plan for each of us. The life of St Patrick can teach us about God's will in our life. He saw himself as an agent of God who was instrumental in effecting the work of God with his people. His mission of bringing the message of the gospel to the people of Ireland, through his great love and compassion for them, is still a strong message today because bringing the gospel of Jesus to others is the mission we all have as Christians and especially our youth.

St Patrick is the heavenly Patron Saint of one of our Parish Churches and Schools and we all experience his powerful intercession in our daily lives. May his exemplary life and missionary zeal encourage us to continue the mission of Christ Jesus in our society. I wish you all a very happy St Patrick's Day on Friday.

*Fr Biju.*

**You are cordially invited to any or all of the following Masses:**

**Special Mass schedule for Friday 17th March 2023**

**Special 8am Morning Mass : St Patrick's, Asquith**

**Special 9.30am School Mass: St Patrick's, Asquith**

**Usual Parish Morning Mass 9am : St Bernard's, Berowra Heights**

Our World Youth Day Pilgrims from KCCP ~ Rebecca Price, Rachel Massa, Sophia Gomez and Michael Dalton ~ will be hosting our ...

**"St Patrick's celebratory morning tea", following Mass on Sunday 19th March 2023**

We are sure they will represent KCCP admirably as they travel through Italy and Portugal in July this year, so please come along and enjoy a cuppa and a chat with these young pilgrims.



There will be a no-obligation donation box on the table to help with their expenses, so if you chose to and **if they smile really nicely at you,** you might like to pop in a coin or two to help fund this once in a lifetime faith enhancing pilgrimage.

**Over the next few weeks our bulletin will introduce you to each of our young pilgrims ~ watch this space!**



**PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)**

**Opening Hours: 9am – 3.30pm, Mon-Fri only.**

**Phone:** (02) 9456 2450 / **Website:** www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp

1-19 Woodcourt Road, Berowra Heights 2082 / P.O. Box 335, Berowra Hts 2082

**Parish Office Email:** parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH  
Diocese of Broken Bay Australia

**Parish Administrator:** Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

**Assistant Priest:** Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

**Parish Secretary:** Margaret Cooper / **Bookkeeper:** Karen Price

**Vol. Office Assist:** Jan Favalaro / **Vol. Sacramental Team:** Peta & Phill

**Sacramental Team Email:** kccpsacraments@gmail.com

*'Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic parish acknowledges the Darug and Guringai people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.'*



### Pope's intention for March:

#### For victims of abuse:

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

#### 3rd Week of Lent ~ Year A

##### Monday 13/03

2Kg 5:1-15; Lk 4:24-30

##### Tuesday 14/03

Dan 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

##### Wednesday 15/03

Deut 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

##### Thursday 16/03

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

##### Friday 17/03 ~ Solemnity

St Patrick, bishop

Jer 1:4-9; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

##### Saturday 18/03

Hosea 5:15 -6:6; Lk 18:9-14

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Ligy Joy, Joseph George, Agnes Yoon, Jean Dorahy,

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Denis Mulligan, Gregory Cooper, Kathleen Jones, Bernard (Pat) O'Malley, Karen Fitzgerald, Lillian D'Souza, Mary & Frank Jack,

**SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Those suffering from Covid-19 - that it is brought under control and eliminated as a health risk.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Maria Park, Anna Cho, Garth Graham, Yvonne Graham, Isabel Henson, Judy Farrell, Chichi Dato, Ann Leslie, Georgina Hughes, Mary Burns, Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, Jean Cook, Barbara Jones, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, Brian Treacy, John Cosgrove (Snr), Patrick O'Donoghue, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, Josef, Marie Haag, Elaine Longmuir.



Altar Society and flower volunteers

#### please note:

During Lent it is forbidden for the Altar to be decorated with flowers. GIRM #305 (thank you)

### The 250 Club!

Week 3 - 6/3/23; Amount: \$25.00



Winning Number: 766; Winner: Unsubscribed



Tap n Go donation points available in both Churches. All taps are set to \$10. Thank you for your support through these devices.



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

### Important Notice: Permanent change to our weekday Mass Schedule.

Dear parishioners, I write to you all to let you know, that I have written to Bishop Anthony requesting a permanent change to the weekday Mass times and locations in the parish. As you are aware, for almost 10 months, the parish has been operating with just the single Mass per morning, always at 9am but with opportunities to attend Holy Mass available at both churches. It is my fervent wish to return to offering as many morning Masses as possible, however, this has its challenges when there is only the one priest in the parish, i.e. Mondays and Tuesdays, and in the case of illness of a priest.

To that end I now share with you my proposal to the Bishop.

Time	St Bernard's Berowra Heights	Time	St Patrick's Asquith
8am	Thursday	8am	Wednesday & Friday
9.15am	Wednesday & Friday (this time change allows school children of SBB to join morning Masses)	9am	Monday // Tuesday // Thursday & Saturday

I would welcome your thoughts on this change, so if you wish to proffer an opinion, please email me at: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au by 31 March 2023.

It is anticipated the change will take place from Easter Monday (10th April [earliest] or Monday 17th April [latest]). In the meantime a single morning Mass at 9am will continue in the parish under the current schedule.

When considering this change, I would ask that you remember, whilst our parish has two churches we are **ONE PARISH** and a morning Mass will continue to be offered every morning in **THE PARISH**.

Fr Biju Jose ~ Parish Administrator of KCCP.

Planning ahead for LENT at KCCP 2023

#### Reconciliation Times during Lent:

Every Saturday 9.30am at Asquith and Every Friday after 9am Mass at Berowra (except 1st Friday when they will be at 10.30am)

#### Additional opportunities for Reconciliation:

\* Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, after morning Mass on request.



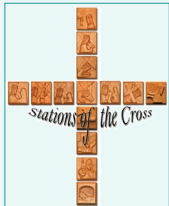
#### Advance Notice

to Mark your Diary:

Easter Reconciliation 2nd Rite

Tues. 28 March 2023, 7.30pm

St Patrick's Asquith only



#### Stations of the Cross during Lent at

St Bernard's Berowra Heights:

8.30am Friday mornings followed by 9am Holy Mass,

Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Patrick's Asquith:

7.30pm every Friday evening

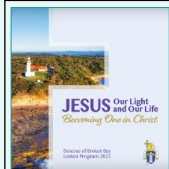
(except March 31st—see below)



#### Taizé Prayer Night ~ Friday March 31st 2023

7.30pm St Patrick's Asquith.

"Everyone is welcome to join in this special opportunity to encounter God more deeply through spirit filled songs, prayer and silence, plus it's a great way to prepare for Holy Week."



### PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME 2023

Jesus: Our Light and our Life, Becoming One in Christ,

continues this week and best of all ~ it's never too late to join in! Every week is unique!

And the programme will continue over all Thursday nights during Lent.

Please gather at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start, in the Fr McMaugh Hall, St Patrick's, Asquith.

I warmly invite you to attend this group, however, if you would be more comfortable working through this Lenten preparation programme on your own (or in a smaller group, perhaps in your home), then please contact the office who can provide you with the booklets. Fr Biju.



(Please note the change in day since last weekends bulletin from Tuesday to Monday)

Anyone interested in making beautiful liturgical music for Lent and Easter ??

You are invited to Music Practice at St Patrick's each

Monday evening in March, from 7.30—9pm in the church unless a change in day is advertised.

All welcome - bring a friend, your voice and your instrument. Call Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

#### Lent and Easter Music Practice for St Bernard's

will be finalised upon the return of Moauli Griffiths from a short holiday. Watch this space!



### POSITION VACANT ~ right here in your parish! ~ Ku-Ring-Gai Parish Youth Coordinator

The Ku-Ring-Gai Parish is seeking a casual **Youth Coordinator**. The role does allow for flexibility with the working schedule, approximately **6 hours per week** on administrative tasks including preparation of resources, communications including social media planning.

In addition to these hours, you will also lead parish youth activities with a requirement for availability for some weekends and evenings. This is an exciting role where you will build and maintain a parish youth group, encouraging young people to engage and participate in parish youth activities, ensuring a sense of fun, community, belonging and faith for the youth and young adults in the parish. The Youth Coordinator will work with the Parish team to build a strong youth network and collaborate with like groups and organisations as well as encouraging, supporting and assisting volunteers to assist in the youth ministry. To obtain a copy of the position description please email [parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au) - Please apply by sending a CV and brief cover letter addressing role requirements via email to [parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au) ~ Applications close **Friday 17 March**.



### POSITION VACANT ~ right here in your parish! ~ Ku-Ring-Gai Parish Part-time Admin Assistant

The parish is seeking a permanent, part-time Administration Assistant working two days per week.

The role plays an important part in the Parish team, with a wide range of responsibilities including general administrative tasks, working with the Parish team on Parish communications to profile and raise awareness of programs and ministries within the Parish, maintaining parish records including sacramental register updates, taking bookings for sacraments including baptisms and funerals, assisting with the setup of parish facilities for events and much more.

The ideal candidate will have a good understanding of, and commitment to, Catholic values and teachings, experience in an office administrative role, well-developed communication and interpersonal skills and time management skills and proficiency with Microsoft Office Suite.

There is some flexibility with the working schedule however the role does require a physical presence in the office, with a preference for the working schedule to be Wednesdays and Thursdays.

If this role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au)

Applications close **Friday 24 March 2023**.



The parish **Atrium of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** has moved from its location from behind the parish office at St Bernard's.

The Atrium's new home is actually back in its original position, in a demountable in the grounds of St Bernard's School, closer to the presbytery.

**Fr Biju will bless the Atrium's new location and its work with children aged 3-12 years on Tuesday 14 March at 12pm ~ all parishioners are invited to attend.**

Anyone attending the blessing will need to sign in at the School Reception and (as this is a school day and classes will be in progress) you are asked to remain in the direct vicinity of the Atrium.

For more information about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd see the parish website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp/groups-ministries/the-catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd>



### St Patrick's Catholic Primary School ~ We're Hiring a Parent Engagement Coordinator!

If you are someone passionate about strengthening family, school, Parish, and Diocesan relationships the Parent Engagement Coordinator (PEC) role might be the right opportunity for you! Reporting to the Principal (with guidance from the Parish Priest), the PEC will have the opportunity to work across St. Patrick's school and Parish. This is a permanent, part-time (0.3 FTE) role. The suitable applicant can also work across two schools within the same Parish (0.6FTE). If you have any questions about this role, feel free to contact Malik Ali on 0424 862 331. To view the Position Description for this role, please visit our school's website: <https://www.stpat.nsw.edu.au/we-are-hiring-parent-engagement-coordinator/> ~ Closing Date: **19 March 2023**

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**Welcome to our Faith Family**

**Baptism congratulations to**

**Sienna Frustaci**  
**Mateo Frustaci**

who are to be baptised this weekend.  
Please keep them, their parents and Godparents in your prayers.

**This weekend is Presentation weekend for our children preparing for Reconciliation.**

Young candidates will present at whichever Mass they attend this weekend and receive a special blessing from Father.

You are requested to continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

**First Reconciliation (Confession):**  
**SPA** Wed. 29 March, 6.30pm  
**SBB** Thurs. 30 March, 6.30pm

**Our Sacramental Team can be contacted via:**  
[kccpsacraments@gmail.com](mailto:kccpsacraments@gmail.com)

**Belated thanks to ...**

*Fr Brendan Lee of the Cathedral Parish who kindly gave a talk to our parents on the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist prior to the start of the workshops.*

*Fr Brendan was warmly received and his insight was invaluable. Thank you Father!*

**Children's Choir @ St Patrick's**

is a place where all children from parish and state schools alike are welcome to join in and be part of one community of faith, meeting other young people and joining in Choir family activities.

It's easy to join! No fees!  
No entrance requirements, just come to a practice!

**Children's Choir is open to:** Anyone from Year 3 to Year 12, from any parish or local state school in the parish.

**Children's Choir sings at:** 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

**Children's Choir practises:** Every Friday from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church.

**Interested?** Please call Patricia Smith 9482 7935.



**Please take particular note of this important safety message:** Pictured here you will see a sample of the drainage wells which channel water from the roof of St Patrick's Church, along the gutters, down the chains and into the wells themselves, before entering storm water drains.

**These form a very important and necessary part of the churches design ~ they are not play equipment.**

Unfortunately, last Sunday, children (school age and slightly younger) were observed swinging from these chains and climbing on the wells. This poses a significant danger to the child or children who could become tangled in the chains or may lose their footing or hold and fall onto the stone wells themselves causing injury. In the interests of everyone's safety, please, do not allow your children to climb upon the wells or pull upon the chains. *Thank you.*

**RAISING RESILIENT TEENS**

**FRI 24 MARCH**

Colleen Hirst  
Clinical Psychologist and Family Therapist

7PM-9.15PM INCLUDING SUPPER ST JOHN'S REGISTERED STJOHNSASQUITH.ORG.AU/EVENTS OR PAY AT THE DOOR

**An invitation from St John's Anglican Church Asquith**

**Raising Resilient Teens ~ Colleen Hirst, Clinical Psychologist & Family Therapist**

**Friday 24 March 7pm-9.15pm including supper.**

**\$10 per person.**

**Register: [stjohnsasquith.org.au/events](http://stjohnsasquith.org.au/events) or pay at the door.**

**Rosters & Readings for Weekend – 18th/19th March 2023 - 4th Sunday in Lent Year A - 1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41**

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Acolyte / Snr Server	Justin Berry	Paul Dryden	Mani Subramany	Francis Lizardo	David Massa	Vicente Sanchez
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Olive O'Keefe Robyn Orr	Annalise Cottrell Verity Hartmann	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Rebecca Clarke Mia Nguyen	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed
Reader (1)	Alodie Wheeler	Jeanette Neary	Edwina Subramany	Sub requested	Christine Vila	Les Fogden
Reader (2)	Natasha Steele	Peter Collins	Celia Cox	Sue Lum	Jo Quinlan	Gabriel Henao
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers*	Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter, Cecilia Waite, Gisela Muschal (s)		Pat Smith, Ellen Downey, Marion Pahalawatta * <i>During Lent - No Flowers - just greenery pls. .</i>			
Maintenance	Teams A & B (help always needed & appreciated)		March: Malcolm Cross & David Chui			

**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*.



**Discernment Retreat for Men** ~ Are you considering a vocation to the Priesthood? Join us at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd for a special retreat from the 24 – 26 of March and take this opportunity to really focus on listening to God. Hear talks from inspiring speakers, spend time in personal prayer, receive the sacraments, spend time in adoration, and get spiritual guidance and Q&A with seminarians. Come and be inspired by the gentle and loving initiative of God and accept the invitation to respond with courage! #VocationRetreat #Priesthood #SeminaryOfTheGoodShepherd.

**Seminary of the Good Shepherd March 24–26, 2023.**

To register contact the Broken Bay Vocations Office on 0418 522 449 or email [vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au)



**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!**

The Pope has dedicated his March prayer intention to victims of abuse.

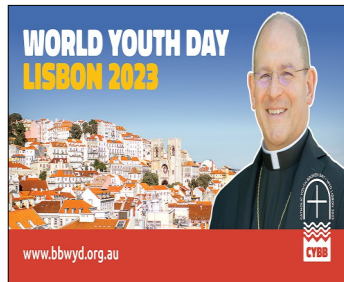
In his prayer intention for March 2023, Pope Francis prays for victims of abuse, and says the Church must serve as a model for safeguarding and must offer safe spaces for victims.

To see the video, please visit

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2023-03/pope-s-march-prayer-intention-for-victims-of-abuse.html>



**WYD23 Registration update** ~ We still have a few spaces available for young adults to join the **Direct Pilgrimage**. If you know of any young adults (18-35yrs) who may wish to journey with us, please ask them to register their interest at ... <https://bbwyd.org.au/register-for-wyd/> to secure their place on the pilgrimage.



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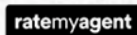
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