

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

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Entrance Antiphon: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place. Responsorial Psalm: The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice. Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

13th November 2022 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Mal 3:19-20; 2 Thess 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

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'.

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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 begataliaed and you would like

if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

Opening Hours: 9am – 3.30pm, Mon-Fri only. Phone: (02) 9456 2450 / Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp

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Special Mass(es) of Remembrance ~ Today

The 9am Mass at St Bernard's & 10am Mass St Patrick's today will be offered

for all who have lost someone from their life. Family of those who have passed away over the last year have been invited to be present at these Masses and will be asked to come forward and collect a personalised keepsake bookmark and Remembrance Candle of their loved one. The candle will be lit from the Church Remembrance Candle and remain beside the Altar on the Sanctuary for the duration of the Mass. It will then be returned to the family as a reminder that the faithful departed of our parish are in our thoughts and prayers always.

All loved ones who have gone to eternal rest and those specifically named in our Book of Remembrance are prayed for during all parish Masses in November.



November is the Month of Remembering Remembering all those who have been born to Eternal Life

The Month of November is traditionally the month in which the Catholic Church remembers and prays for our departed loved ones who have been called to Eternal Life.

It 'enables us to reconnect with all those whom we love, but who have died. As well, it invites us into solidarity with the dead throughout history...' We also pray for those who have "gone before us marked with the sign of faith".

During the Month of November you are requested to say the following prayer daily:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

As in previous years a **Book of Remembrance** has been placed in each Church for the month of November. Please **print** names **clearly** on the November Mass envelopes and place **on either collection plate** at Mass.

The names of your deceased family members and friends will be placed into the books on a weekly basis where they will be remembered in a special way during November Masses at both St Patrick's and St Bernard's.



Parish Administrator: Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH Assistant Priest: Fr Joy Thomas, OSH Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper / Bookkeeper: Karen Price Vol. Office Assist: Jan Favaloro / Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill ARISH 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.'

THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time ~ Year C

Monday 14/11 Rev 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday 15/11 Rev 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10

> **Wednesday 16/11** Rev 4:1-11; Lk 19:1-28

Thursday 17/11 ~ Memorial St Elizabeth of Hungary Rev 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44

Friday 18/11 Rev 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday 19/11 Rev 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Edith Ireland, Philip Joseph, Alfredo Figueras, Fr Tony Simon OFM (Fr Joy's cousin), Antonia Passalacqua, Jeanette Bakker, Brian Patterson

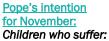
ANNIVERSARIES: Irena Iwona, Patrick O'Halloran, Fr Patrick McMaugh, Mary & Frank Jack, James Treacy, Nancy Gomez

All those recorded in our Book of Remembrance

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

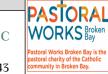
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Isabel Henson, Judy Farrell, Chichi Datoc, Daryl Harvey, Carla Medeiros, Ann Leslie, Modesta Borromeo Laroco, Georgina Hughes, Mary Burns, 'Roy', Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, Jean Cook, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, Barbara Jones, Brian Treacy, Patrick O'Donoghue, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, John Cosgrove (Snr), Josef, Marie Haag, Elaine Longmuir, Sally Agnew.





We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.





The first of this financial years two appeals will be held NEXT weekend November 19/20.

state school students with a Catholic education; and helping us provide comfort, care, a listening ear and the sacraments to those who are vulnerable or experiencing loneliness, illness and isolation through our hospital chaplaincy program.

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community in Broken Bay. Our pastoral works also assist students with disability achieve their dreams, and provides practical support for the deaf community. Your gift does make a difference. It may be young people in schools, someone in hospital, a parish or wider community. My prayer is that Pastoral Works Broken Bay enables us to reach further and wider in helping our community, and more deeply connects us to our vision and the mission of Jesus. I am deeply grateful for your support. Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD JCL, Bishop of Broken Bay.

The Diocese of Broken Bay has decided to hold the Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) appeal across

just two occasions (not the usual 3) this year and they will occur in November and May.

Our quota levy remains approximately the same and this year it is set at \$35,523.00 making our target per appeal \$17,761.50. Envelopes are at the back of our churches today for the appeal next weekend. All donations over \$2 and tax deductible.

What sign will there be?

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19 © Dr Mary Coloe PBVM

There is humour and also great insight in Paul's words today. Remember, this community is living about twenty years after the death and resurrection of Jesus. Paul has been teaching them that Jesus will soon return and some have taken his words so seriously that they have given up work. At Corinth, people wonder whether they should marry or not, because they are so convinced that Jesus is returning to them any day.



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In Thessalonica, they have 'downed tools!' Such is the conviction and joyful expectation of these early communities. They live as if today is their last day.

Wow! What would I do if today was my last day? What would you do?

Readings like this are a challenge to us to look at our priorities and make sure that we are living with the sense that each day is precious, and that each day God is drawing closer to us.

In the Gospel, Jesus has now reached the end of his journey and is in Jerusalem, within its magnificent Temple. Here, other questions are raised.

What do we do when things go wrong?

How do we find faith in God when life collapses around us?

These are questions all Christians face and today's gospel gives us a brief insight into the pain and struggle of Luke's small community who had such faith and hope in Jesus, but life did not appear to be blessed. God wasn't intervening to save them from conflict within families and persecution from governments. Luke tries to reassure his community that such discord and trouble is part of a living Christianity and can be expected. Faith in Jesus doesn't take us out of the world, or permit us to live as some sort of aliens in the world. We are part of a struggling humanity.

Jesus lived at a time when the Jerusalem temple existed and had recently been greatly renovated and made even grander by King Herod the Great. But by the time the Gospel is written, the magnificent Temple was utterly destroyed by the Romans in 70 CE. Many Jews saw this event as the 'end of the world' and took this destruction as a sign that God was coming soon. Luke cautions against such false ideas. The end has not yet come and Luke's community must learn to live in an extended time of waiting. Through Jesus' words, Luke teaches his community that in this time of waiting there will be hardship and struggle; these are not incompatible with Christian faith and are not to be taken as signs that God is absent. Endurance is required.

The concerns of Luke's community and Paul's seem very distant to the concerns of our own time. We need to exercise some historical imagination to try to get a sense of real people, living with their real questions and struggling with faith. There are no simple answers to most of the really important questions of life. Our faith was never meant to be an easy escape from really living. We cannot, like the Thessalonians, drop our tools, give up work and just wait for Jesus; but nor can we settle for simplistic answers when difficult times come. A robust faith will engage the world and wrestle with the questions life poses. But in all this, faith in Jesus should make a difference. Paul advises the Thessalonians, **'imitate me'**. Living faith should be visible. G K Chesterton once said, **'Christianity hasn't been tried and found wanting – but it has been found hard, and it hasn't been tried!'** It was the living witness of the early believers that attracted others to join them, even in the midst of misunderstanding and persecution from the surrounding society. Each of us should be able to say as Paul did – **'imitate me'**. What a challenge!



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 new 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.

December 2022 Parish Timetable

The ultra busy month of December will soon be upon us and so we thought we might give you an idea of just what is in the diary for Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish ...

Event

School Grounds Christmas Concert / Music Evening

Carols under THE Star - Ecumenical Event (see below)

Volunteers' Thanksgiving Mass and 'Sizzle Spectacular'

Christmas Church Cleaning-all hands and buckets on deck!

Anointing & Healing Mass / Night Vigil

SVdP Christmas Appeal

Year 6 Graduation Mass

Year 6 Graduation Mass

Taizé Evening

Carols Night on the School Oval

Christmas Mass, Regis Aged Care

Whole School end of year Mass

Whole School end of year Mass

2nd Rite of Reconciliation opportunity

Whole Parish Christmas Carol Evening

Church

SPA (School)

SBB / SPA

SBB / SPA

SPA

SPA

SBB

SPA

SBB

SPA

SPA

Hornsby

Berowra Oval

SBB / SPA

SBB (Church & Hall)

SBB (School)



MARK YOUR DIARY **Parish Volunteers Thanksgiving Mass** & BBQ.

Date: Friday 16 December at St Bernard's Berowra Hts. Time: 5.30pm for Mass **Dinner:** 6.15pm ~ for BBQ. Your invited if: You are rostered for and partake in a parish ministry or regularly volunteer to help out. RSVP: Call 9456 2450 or E: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au by Fri. Dec. 2, 2022.



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's is always happy to welcome new members

Ages: Year 3 up to Year 12. Choir practises: Every Friday during school terms from 4pm to 5pm in St Patrick's church. Need more information? Call Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.

Congratulations! Our Parish warmly applauds five newly-trained cantors, Catherine, Daniela, Emma, Lucy and Melissa.

Congratulations to each of you!

COLUMBAN CALENDARS



The 2022 calendar is now available at BOTH St Bernard's & St Patrick's for only

\$10.00, which is cheap for a calendar of such quality and they make great gifts for family and friends! Please consider buying a calendar this year to help the mission effort.

CHRISTMAS CARDS are also available from both churches.

* St Bernard's packs of 8 for \$2.50. Any questions about the Piety Stall at St Bernard's, call Natasha on 0409 621 817.

St Patrick's has SVdP cards in packs of 10 for \$7. and proceeds will assist those in need. Please place money in box provided. Thanks for your support. Les Fogden: 9476 4058.

Dec 24 SBB Christmas Vigil (Children's Mass & BBQ) 5pm Christmas Vigil (Children's Mass) / Christmas Youth Mass Dec 24 6pm / 9pm **SPA** Dec 25 12am SPA Christmas Midnight Mass Dec 25 8am / 10am **SPA** Christmas Family Mass / Christmas Family Mass Dec 25 9am SBB Christmas Family Mass Cake Stall November 27, to raise funds for the St Christmas Eve outdoor Mass at 5pm Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Appeal ~ Whilst the SVdP Christmas Appeal will be held across all Masses on the weekend of December 3rd/4th, a If you would like to sing at either of Cake Stall will be held after the 10am Mass at St Patrick's on Sunday 27th November to also raise vital funds. The stall will be provided for and run by members of the Children's Choir and their families. You can literally, "have your cake and Monday November 14 at 7—8 pm and eat it" on site with a cuppa and musical entertainment by the children or take it home. Either way, by purchasing from this cake stall you will be assisting Vinnies to help those less fortunate.



Red is the colour of martyrs, and so it is fitting that we remember and pray for persecuted Christians on Red Wednesday ~ Wednesday 23 November 2022. Mass will be offered at Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood, at 7.30pm by Bishop Anthony for this cause and will be particularly for the people of Ukraine, during this difficult time of conflict. Also on Wednesday 23 November, the Chatswood church facade will be prominently lit up in

red as a sign of solidarity with those who suffer. Blue and yellow lighting will also be featured on other nights of the week to remember Ukraine. Please stand up for Faith and Freedom by attending this Mass if you possibly can.



Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child ~ Shoeboxes are available at the back of St Bernard's and St Patrick's Churches along with brochures. Boxes need to be returned by November 27th to Louise's home, 7 Dunoon St Berowra Heights. If you have questions, please contact Louise Dryden on 0405 556 887.

Annual Ecumenical Christmas Event ~ Please join others from our local Church Communities of Berowra at: Warrina St Oval, Berowra (opposite our church carpark); on: Thursday 15 December Carols under the Star at: 5.30pm for the Pre-Show and at: 7.30pm for Carols. Each local church is seeking volunteers to deliver flyers before the event and to act as crowd controllers on the night What a great way to show the Spirit of the Catholic Community of Berowra. If you can help (even for a short time) please call Gen on: 0418 866 250. Warrina Street Oval, Berowra AN CU).

Seeking Songbirds for St Bernard's

and 9am Mass Christmas Day.

these Masses please come to some early practises at:

St Bernard's Church:

Date

Dec 1

Dec 2

Dec 7

Dec 8

Dec 9

Dec 12

Dec 14

Dec 15

Dec 15

Dec 16

Dec 16

Dec 17

Dec 19

Dec 21

Dec 3/4

Time

5pm

5pm

5.30pm

7.30pm

6pm

3pm

11.30am

11.30am

7.30pm

7.30pm

5.30pm / 7.30pm

5.30pm / 6.15pm

9am / after 9am Mass

11.30am / 7.30pm

All Masses

Monday November 28 at 7—8 pm Anyone and everyone is welcome.



ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND – 19th November / 20th November 2022 — Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe — Year C 2 Sam 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

2 Sail 3.1-3, 601 1.12-20, EK 23.33-43								
	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church					
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm		
Acolyte / Snr Server	Garth Graham	Denis Steiner	Mani Subramany	Phil Daidone	Malcolm Cross	Robert Pesavento		
Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Alena Hartmann Zinta Hartmann	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Niall Collins Tara Collins	Lucy Henao Vila Joshua Telford	Volunteer now Volunteer now		
Reader (1)	Justin Berry	School to arrange	Penny Loughland	Michael Halliday	Mary Stokes	Les Fogden		
Reader (2)	Anne Maree Hutchins	School to arrange	Paul Worthington	Jim Fitzgerald	Sandra Maloney	Gabriel Henao		
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter, Cecilia Waite (f) Anne Bourke (s)		Sue O'Malley; Mary O'Malley; Sue & John O'Malley; Fiona Fone (f)					
Maintenance	Team A & B - additional help always		— HELP PLEASE - —volunteer today please!					

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.*

The Parishes of the Diocese of Broken Bay have a number of vacant roles including:

Toukley-Lake Munmorah, Parish Secretary, permanent part-time role, 25 hours per week

Chatswood Parish, Sacramental Coord. permanent part-time role, up to 19 hours per week

Coordinator, permanent parttime role, up to 15 hours per week

For more info. please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au

We are the social care and support agency of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Broken Bay, assisting children, young people and adults to live more enriched lives. We provide quality services tailored to individual needs which consider people's social and cultural backgrounds. Our team are inspired, capable, compassionate and embody our values and demonstrate our mission in their work. Great benefits are on offer to ensure our people are motivated, challenged and supported to achieve their full potential including flexible work arrangements, employee assistance program, salary packaging options, meal and entertainment benefits, annual leave loading, leadership programs, rewards and recognition and a sign on bonus for selected roles. To see current job vacancies visit

www.catholiccaredbb.org.au & click the CAREERS button on top menu or call 1800 324 To our HSC cohort of 2022, well done!

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You have contributed your gifts, talents, friendship and hard work to your schooling life. We want to congratulate you on your success in finishing your senior schooling. Be proud of all that you have achieved, and remember that it is more about the person you are, not the number you are going to receive. What you do next, is just the beginning of a great journey ahead. Be proud of your success



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