



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay

14 July 2024 ~ Year B

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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.



*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

While Fr Biju is on leave
(17 July - 2 Aug) **there will be**
ONE Morning Mass only
on weekdays

St Patrick's 9am:

Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat

St Bernard's 9.15am: Wed ~ Fri

(except 1st Friday of the month when
Mass is at 11.30am @ St Bernard's)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday	After 9am Mass St Patrick's
Friday	After 9.15am Mass St Bernard's

(Out of office hours **URGENT** only)

Emergency sick calls

0468 341 841

HOSPITAL ADMISSION:

If admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services. *Please, call the office if you would like our own priests to visit you in hospital.*



Dear Parishioners,

Much of Jesus' ministry took place on and around a small yet vital stretch of water—the Sea of Galilee. Even some of his first disciples were fishermen, who in turn became fishers of men (Mt 4,18-19).

Today we celebrate as **Sea Sunday** or **Apostleship of the Sea**, a day which gives us the occasion to remember and appreciate the important work performed by

seafarers across the world. We are in a world where more than 90% of goods are transported by ships. Moreover, as an island nation, we in Australia are greatly dependent on ships and the commodities they bring to us for our survival.

In almost every country bound by sea, there is a community of people who care for seafarers, fishers and families. Many maritime workers spend large amounts of time separated from their homeland and thereby they can be burdened by isolation, loneliness, climatic hardships...

The Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) is the apostolic work of the Catholic Church offering hospitality and pastoral care to the people of the sea.

In its work of service to people of "different nationalities and religious traditions" Stella Maris ministry responds to the Lord's command to "go into all the world and proclaim the Good News to the whole creation" (Mk 16,15) as the first disciples did in today's Gospel passage (Mk 6,7). As we specially remember and pray for seafarers and their families, let us entrust them to the loving protection of **Our Lady Star of the Sea**, the patroness of our diocese, Broken Bay.

I wish you a blessed weekend. **Fr Biju OSH, PP**

'...without sailors the global economy would come to a standstill'. Pope Francis
Next time you see a ship in port or on the horizon, please say a prayer for those working on the vessel.

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

Opening Hours: 9am – 3.30pm, Mon-Fri

Phone: (02) 9456 2450

Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp

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Assistant Priest: Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper

Admin Assistant: Catherine Hutchison

Parish Bookkeeper: Karen Price

Vol. Office Assistant: Jan Favaloro

Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill

(Email: kccpsacraments@gmail.com)

Confirmation
2024
Sunday
15th September

10am @
St Patrick's
Catholic Church,
Asquith
(during parish Mass)

2pm @
St Bernard's
Catholic Church,
Berowra Heights
(Special Mass)

Now Open:

Confirmation enrolment 2024

Confirmation Enrolment is now open to any child who has already been Baptised, is over the age of 8 and in Year 3, or above. The Enrolment form and schedule is now available on the Parish website and from our Churches.

Parents/guardians please note this essential element to enrolling your child/ren.

The mandatory Parent Talk will take place on:
Tuesday 6 August 2024 - 7.30pm-8.30pm at
St Bernard's Church, Berowra Hts.

If you **cannot** or **do not** attend this talk, **without exception**, you will be required to **make an appointment for a one-on-one interview with Father Biju** to discuss your non-attendance and to seek permission for your child/ren to proceed in the 2024 Confirmation preparation programme.



• **Entry/Exit by vehicle and foot is via Royston Pde ONLY.**



Pope's intention for July:
For the Pastoral care of the sick. We pray that the Sacrament of the

Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it & their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Monday 15/07 ~ Memorial
St Bonaventure, bishop & doctor
Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday 16/07

Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday 17/07

Is 10:5-7, 13-16; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday 18/07

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30

Friday 19/07

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday 20/07

Micah 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Belen Josen, Sue Simmons

ANNIVERSARY:

Pastor Alvarado, Dr Ken Gray,
Wilford Long, Grace Rego,
Maria Dulce Estrellado,
Ramona Estrellado, Dolla Patricio.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Leanne Scott, Ann Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Vince Hughes, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio, Fiona Loughland, Pat Bowden, Bill Holmes, Chris Enright, Mary Mathew, Philomena & Rex D'Souza, Isabel Henson, Chichi Datoc, Mary Burns, Rey Hilario, Georgina Hughes, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, John Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.



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helping the parish to 'Go'

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for regular parish expenses, eg
Hosts, electricity, water, etc.

Readings

First Reading Amos 7:12-15

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

(R) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R)**
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. **(R)**
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. **(R)**

Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

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SAVE THE DATE: We'll be celebrating all Grandparents on ~ Sunday 28th July 2024.

Please join us at 9am Mass, St Bernard's Berowra Hts or 10am Mass, St Patrick's, Asquith,
after which tea and coffee, great company and loads of community spirit will be available.

Maybe you would like to showcase your culinary skills by sharing your
Grannies famous Sponge Cake or Pumpkin Scones!

If you could bring along a plate of any sort to share that would be terrific. We look forward to seeing you!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults "It takes a parish to Raise a Christian"



Recently a number of people have enquired into becoming members of the Church. This continuing journey to full Christian initiation needs parishioners to welcome and accompany each enquirer, as they learn what we believe and how we live. There are many different ways you can help - please think about how you can use your gifts to help them become disciples of Jesus Christ, and part of our wonderful community!



The 250 Club! Dear all, the second of our 'two-per-year' series of the 250 Club for 2024 will commence soon and we are looking for more members so we can give away more money!

If you are already a member, (*and are unfinancial*), you will soon receive a reminder email from our bookkeeper.

If you are financial you won't hear from us ... UNLESS YOU WIN A PRIZE OF COURSE !!

We have 'blocks of four numbers' available now so why not be part of the fun ~ \$1 per week paid in advance for the 20 week series means your investment of just \$20 offers you **the chance of winning \$25 each week AND one chance in every five weeks of winning \$500!** To get on board this simple but effective parish initiative please contact the office on 9456 2450 or email parishkccp@bbccatholic.org.au

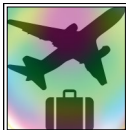


KEEP CALM AND JOIN

The 250 Club!

This vital fundraising club has been running in the parish for literally decades!!

Don't delay! Get onboard today!



Happy 'mini-break' Fr Biju ~ Father is taking a short break for a couple of weeks to catch up with old friends ~ in Austria! *Our prayers for a safe journey there and back are assured Father.*

therefore a change to our Weekday Mass Schedule is in order



there will be **ONE Morning Mass ONLY** on weekdays in our parish from

Wednesday 17 July 2024 to Friday 2 August ~ being,

9am at St Patrick's Asquith ~ Monday // Tuesday // Thursday // Saturday

9.15am at St Bernard's Berowra Heights ~ Wednesday // Friday.

Please Note: There will be no change to weekend Masses because

Fr Sunny Peackal, of St Ives Priory & Fr Biju Mathew, of Frenchs Forest Parish, have agreed to Supply for us during Fr Biju's absence.

Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division ~ For service to the community of Sydney
Congratulations ~ Mr Alan Francis Henson, NSW ~ our very own KCCP parishioner.



At our 10am Mass today, we will publicly congratulate Alan Henson, who was recognised in the 2024 King's Birthday Honours list and received the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM), recognising his significant service to community and social welfare organisations.

This is a well-deserved acknowledgement of the significant time and commitment Alan has dedicated to the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society in NSW and ultimately the people he assists in doing "Good Works" through Vinnies.

Congratulations Alan on this prestigious acknowledgement.

May God bless you abundantly for all your works.

**St Patrick's Conference,
Asquith Conference,
St Vincent de Paul Society
(NSW)**

- President, since early 2010s
- Former Secretary.

Community:

- Former Member, Mosman Conference, St Vincent de Paul Society (NSW), 1972-2005.
- Volunteer, The Dish of St John's, St John's Anglican Church, Hornsby, since early-2000s.
- Former Volunteer, Matthew Talbot Hostel, Woolloomooloo.
- Long standing, loyal, committed, compassionate, devoted and devout parishioner of KCCP.

Reflection:

Today's gospel reading from Mark recalls a development in the mission of Jesus that concerns us all. He makes his disciples sharers in his mission. In Mark's telling of the story of Jesus this comes immediately after his own townspeople have rejected him at the end of his Galilean ministry. If, during his earthly life, he is not to fulfil the great mission he has received from his Father in person, he will do so through his disciples. Initially he will employ the twelve collaborators who symbolise the New Israel through whose life the Saviour will be present in every age.

We who take part in this liturgy have all been called to share in Christ's great mission to the whole world. As we ponder this we should recall that God's call is mysterious, originating in the eternal designs of the Father – as Paul writes, **'Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ'**. God's call does not match our human expectations. Amos, the 8th century prophet, was a farmer who found himself charged with the daunting task of challenging the hypocrisy evident in the worship of the northern shrine of Bethel. The Twelve Apostles called by Jesus were an unlikely group, with backgrounds as varied as fishing, tax collecting and terrorism. Jesus sends them out with instructions that make very clear the seriousness of the task he is sharing with them: absolute reliance upon the **'authority'** they have received from him, and an unselfishness and single-mindedness that will commend them to their listeners. Their mission reflects the mission Jesus has been engaged in: the call to a **'repentance'** which is open to what God is about to do, **'casting out devils'** and healing the sick. (The modern reader should not be distracted by the gospels' frequent references to exorcism. The culture of the society in which Jesus lived assumed – as many cultures do, even today – that ills and maladies, physical and psychological, are due to the influence of evil spirits. Jesus' mission to triumph over all evil was inevitably seen as a conflict with evil powers.)

It is enlightening to compare the second reading's summary of key themes of Paul's thought with the themes the Twelve took with them on the missions on which Jesus **'began to send them'**. What Jesus promised as he announced the coming of God's Kingdom was far from clear to them. They were sustained by their admiration of Jesus and the authority with which he had inaugurated his mission. The Christians for whom the letter to the Ephesians was written knew the fulfilment of all that Jesus had promised. The blessings brought by the Paschal Mystery were beyond imagining for the Twelve as they told their hearers of the coming of God's Kingdom. Paul, on the other hand, can tell the world of the **'mystery'**, God's design from all eternity, as he **'chose us in Christ'**, and determined to bring the whole of creation **'together under Christ'**. In our text are many of the great themes with which our faith gives expression to the blessings brought by the Paschal Mystery: **'grace', 'freedom', 'adoption', 'inheritance' and 'the seal of the Spirit'**.

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**Contributions to
Pastoral Works Broken Bay
and Caritas**

are now available.

* Many receipts were emailed last week. (Pls check Junk box)

* If we do not have a current email address for you, your receipt will be at the back of the church. If you do have an email address please provide it to the office for next year by emailing parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

* If not in either place, please contact the office on 9456 2450.

**Tri-Diocese Social
Justice Evening 2024**



**Thursday 25 July;
6pm for 6.30pm start.**

**The Epping Club
45-47 Rawson St, Epping.
Keynote speaker: John
Lochowiak, Chair NATSICC**

Register at: trybooking.com/CTCFO by Wednesday 17 July
OR Scan the QR Code.

No cost for the evening and Dinner is included. For further enquiries, contact mission@bbcatholic.org.au



**SERRA VOCATIONS
MASS
AND DINNER
MEETING**

Thursday 25th July 2024 at **6pm** followed by a meal and meeting, after which Fr Robert Borg will speak on the Jubilee Year 2025. Everyone is welcome.

If planning to attend call Terry on **0438 887 295**, and for catering purposes call Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116**.



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

**KCCP Children's Choir is in
recess for school holidays.**

No practices during school holidays, but the Choir will continue to sing on 2nd and 4th Sundays of July, as usual.

Our next practice will be on Friday 26th July at 4–5pm in St Patrick's church, ready to sing for Grandparents' Day on 28 July.

Any young person from Year 3 and up is most welcome to join the Choir at any time.

For further information contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

	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	Paul Dryden	Mani Subramany	Francis Lizardo	David Massa	Vicente Sanchez
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Olive O'Keefe Piper Thompson	Joshua Rumble Miranda Tablizo	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Rishona Gonsalves Joshua Telford	Volunteer now Volunteer now
Reader (1)	Justin Berry	Denise Harant	Edwina Subramany	Michael Halliday	Cora Cuasay	Sue Lum
Reader (2)	Sophia Smith	Sarah Rumble	Sue Watts	Cris Tolentino	Susie Gates	Sub Requested
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter Cora Marques (f); Annette Shapter (s)		Cynthia Gilbertson, Sue Watts, Cathy Gray; Maria Hon (f) (help always needed & appreciated)			
Maintenance	Team A & B -(help always needed & appreciated)		July: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow, John & Sue O'Malley			

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*.

Wills, Enduring Guardianship and Powers of Attorney



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for the Catholic
community of Broken Bay
featuring an expert
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Free Seminar & Morning Tea

**Do you have a Will or need it updated?
Do you know what Enduring Guardianship is,
or want to know more about Bequests?**

The Diocese is hosting a 'Free Seminar and Morning Tea' to answer all your questions with lawyer and our very own KCCP parishioner.

**Cecilia Castle on Tuesday, 20 August 2024
(10.30am to 12.30pm)**

at The Epping Club, Epping.

To know more, please send an email to events@bbcatholic.org.au



**Presenter
Cecilia Castle**

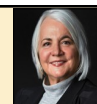
Principal of
Castle Lawyers,
will present and
answer questions
from her legal
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parishioner in the Diocese of
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