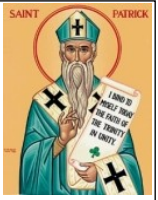


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 15th November 2020 ~ 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A

Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thess 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

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: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

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

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'

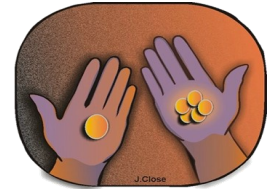
Befriending Time © Fr Michael Tate

God's plan for human happiness is mostly frustrated by a good person burying his or her personality traits, what one might call one's talents, which is really to bury oneself and to become invisible. In the old language of my schoolboy catechism, we should be concerned not just with sins of commission, but with sins of omission – failure of courage, failure to take risks, failure to put everything on the line with the personality and the moment in time given to you and to me. As Shakespeare says in Julius Caesar:

'There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; omitted, all the voyage of their life is bound in stillness and in miseries.'

The Divine Tide is flowing through human history. We should trust ourselves to that tide which can carry us to the shores of Heaven. Failure to take risks leads to Hellish stillness and miseries. We could pause for a moment to pray that we might use our talents so as to hear:

'Well done, good and faithful servant ... come and join in your Master's happiness.'



The parable of the talents brings to mind the importance of personal growth and the enhancement of life. In this context 'trustworthiness' refers to our ability to use what we are given in life to best advantage. No doubt this will mean something different for each of us. 'Live long and prosper' is an appropriate sentiment in this context.



The Society of Oblates of the Sacred Heart [OSH] Annual Appeal

Last week many of you contributed very generously to this annual OSH appeal.

Your donations totalled:

\$3,305.00

an amazing effort in difficult circumstances.

Please know these donations will be put to good use by the Society to begin constructing a school for the poor in Punjab, India, and it is the Society's dream to complete this (if at all possible) during this our Centenary Year (1921-2021).

Thank you again for helping us to help those less fortunate and to realise our Society's Centenary dream. Fr Shaju & Fr Joy.

A answer to, and call for, volunteers of all types & talents.



Thank you to those who answered the call to assist in bolstering our cleaning teams at both churches, your willingness to help is greatly appreciated by all.

Help could still be used in all ministries, so if you can help, please contact the office on 9456 2450.

Your current selection of ministries at both churches include:

- * Readers
- * Senior Servers
- * Ushers
- * Maintenance Teams
- * Senior Servers



Book of Remembrance ~ 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 St Patrick's and St Bernard's.

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Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp

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Parish Priest Fr Shaju John, OSH

Assistant Priest Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

Parish Secretary Margaret Cooper

Bookkeeper Karen Price

Youth Ministry Co-ord. Michelle Chahine

Sacramental Team: kccpsacraments@gmail.com



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

SEATING CAPACITY AT OUR CHURCHES

[applying the current 4m² requirement]

St Patrick's: 100 persons

at St Bernard's: 60 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.

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

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

RECONCILIATION

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

Emergency sick calls 0468 341 841 (Out of office hours 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

Monday 16/11

Mass *ad libitum*
Apoc 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday 17/11 ~ Memorial

St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Mass of the Saint

Preface of weekday or Saint

Apoc 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday 18/11

Mass *ad libitum*

Apoc 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday 19/11

Mass *ad libitum*

Apoc 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44

Friday 20/11

Mass *ad libitum*

Apoc 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday 21/11 ~ Memorial

The Presentation of Blessed Virgin

Mary

Mass of the day

Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary I-II

Apoc 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anita M Jimenez, Michael Carney, Maryanne Weri, Kerrin Enright, Lance Roper, Anna Schiavo, Maureen Brophy, Kevin Carmody

ANNIVERSARIES: Bill McDonagh, Julia Healy, Alison Hinton, Nancy Gomez, GJolanta Uchman, Stach, Bronia I Wladek Peiprzyk, Elizabeth Cleland, Bill Wilson, James Treacy, Victor Hinton

Please also pray for those record in the Book of Remembrance

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Terry Treacy, Margaret Acret, Peter Nguyen, Anne Brady, Sr Tincy Thomas, Nemia Camille Asiong, Marie O'Hare, Stephen C C, Rodney Porter, Araceli 'Chichi' Datoc, Craig Sequeira, Shirley Kelynack, Judy Farrell, Dan Leavy, John Cosgrove (Snr), Pam Cosgrove, Alfredo R De Ramos, Doug Hawkins, Felicity Fone, Antonio, Anna Nicholson, Graeme Kachel, Pat Bowden, Peter Brooks, Brian Treacy, Erick Enriquez, Charles Abela, Penny Rigor, Jaz Pitts, Elaine Estrellado, Maureen Sharpe, Jwona Nowak, Irena Fellmann, Elaine Longmuir, Michael McGauley, Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson, Georgia Meyers, Rosalinda de Ramos, Angela Smith, Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker, Ewa Rakozy, Jean Cook, Betty Borg, Morrie Ramsden, Brian Neary, Edwina Subramany, Aiko Concepcion, John Buckley, Ellen Asistente, Kath Lock, Arlene Joson, Sam Calacoci, John Macy, Barbara Jones, Cadia Maestri, Marcelina De Ramos, Matthew Conlon, Patrick Dorahy, Tom Dawson, Narelle Cartwright, Mary Fernandes, Patricia Sanders, Monique Leyden, Frederick Novak, Alfredo De Ramos Sr, Barbara & Maciej Maciejewski



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November: Artificial Intelligence ~ We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Month of the Holy Souls ~ Mass Offerings

It's a Catholic tradition that is almost as old as the Church itself. Records dating back to as early as the year 180 show evidence of early Christians having a Mass said for a loved one. Yet, it is one of the most commonly misunderstood practices in our faith.

"The Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of his Bride and joins it to his own redemptive sacrifice." - St John Paul II

Here is what you should know about having a Mass said for a family member or a friend.

It is the single greatest prayer we can offer for the deceased.

The Holy Souls benefit greatly from Masses offered for them.

It doesn't cost anything...but if you're able to give, an offering is appreciated.

There is no price tag on the Mass, however, it is customary to give an offering when requesting a Mass for an intention. That said, money should never be the reason for deciding against this beautiful tradition. Simply make your request known and talk with a priest who will make sure that a Mass is able to be said if your financial situation does not allow for a donation. It doesn't have to be a large sum.

A Mass can be offered for a person who is still living.

Though we often think of having a Mass said for those who have passed away, Masses can be offered for those who are still alive. The Council of Trent says that Mass may be said "for the living and the dead, for sins, punishments, satisfactions, and other necessities." In other words, if you know someone who could benefit from the spiritual graces that come with having a Mass said on their behalf, there is no need to delay in doing so.

You can have a Mass said in Thanksgiving or for a celebration

Again, most people remember to have a Mass said for the death of a loved one and a few may think to have a Mass offered for a special intention or friend who is suffering, but rarely do we think of having a Mass offered for a celebration! Is there a better way to show our gratitude to God? Masses can be said for birthdays, anniversaries, in celebration of the reception of the sacraments, or for prayers that have been answered!

It's not a long or difficult process to request a Mass.

Though the practice of offering a Mass is ancient, the method for doing so is not!

You can submit your Mass request *[using the envelopes at the back of the church and placing them on the collection plate at any Mass]*, or a simple phone call to your parish will do the job.

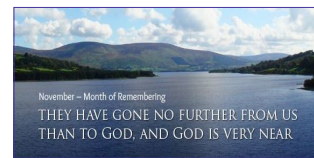
Because the Mass is the highest form of worship on Earth, there are many fruits and graces that result from having a Mass said.

The reason that this tradition has been passed on for centuries is because of the many spiritual fruits that result from this form of prayer. The celebration of the Eucharist is the highest form of worship in the Catholic Church because we unite ourselves with Christ's sacrifice on the cross in worship of his Father.

St. John Paul II emphasized the graces that come when a Mass is offered (*see above*).

Don't miss out on these graces for yourself and those you love! Find a reason to have a Mass offered today.

<https://www.catholic.org/news/hf/faith/story.php?id=76729>



St Bernard's 9am, NEXT Sunday, 22 November 2020.

50th Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass.

BOOKED OUT !!

Advise was received from the Diocese on Friday which has severely impacted the number of people who can attend this Mass.



The Facilities & WHS Officer of the DBB, Phil Greenwood (*), came out to clarify the situation for us.

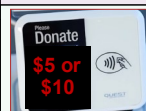
At a meeting between Archbishop Rev Anthony Fisher, with the State Premier, it was clarified that, under the order as it currently stands, an outdoor religious service is limited to **30** people; ... and not **300** as it is classified as an outdoor public gathering.

(*): *"For the upcoming celebrations and other large feast days you will be able to have 61 per the current calculation and practice (confirmed today) as well as 12 in the Portico and 11 on the Veranda of the Church nearest to the Parish Office."*

Unfortunately, the maximum we can have present at the 50th Anniversary Mass is 84 people, and this number has already been reached in reservations. Our apologies for any disappointment which may arise to those of you who are no longer able to participate in this Thanksgiving Mass. *Frs Shaju & Joy*



Week 11: 10/11/2020 ~ Winning No.: 918
Amt: \$25.00 ~ Winner: Barbara Jones



Your 'Tap' Helps our Parish 'Go' on. we deeply appreciate the financial support of the parishioners and visitors to Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish. **No Cash? No problem!** One machine at Asquith is set to \$5 per tap and the other is set to \$10 per tap. Our single machine at Berowra Heights is set to \$10 per tap.

Thank you for your generosity.

Donations made help to cover ongoing church maintenance costs.



KCCP BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Dear all,
during the last weeks, several parishes of DBB and the Sydney ArchDiocese have had attempts made to defraud them of funds. As a result, we have been instructed by the Diocese of Broken Bay to no longer publish our BSB and Acct No's. For those who wish to donate by directly depositing into our bank account, please contact the parish office on 9456 2450.

A letter to the People of God in the Diocese of Broken Bay ~ [10 November 2020]

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Over the past few months there have been some wonderful areas of growth in our community of the Church.

We have a new Director of CatholicCare Broken Bay, Tim Curran. Together with the Team of dedicated workers, they have been the visible face of Jesus Christ to many people in need during these challenging times. Their vibrant and positive ministry which engages people where they are, no matter what their circumstances, is a reminder that God is merciful and compassionate.

Our Catholic Schools Broken Bay, under the leadership of Danny Casey and the Team, have commenced the opening up of the Towards 2025 vision for the education and formation of our children. The vision is stated simply so that we will commit to authentic, professional Catholic education, delivered with care and compassion. Our purpose is to inspire hearts and minds to know Christ, to love learning, to use their talents to be the very best they can be. All of this is underpinned with the values of faith, joy, witness, compassion, and courage.

This week I have advertised six new positions for the new look team at Evangelisation Broken Bay. [<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant>]. My desire is to build a unified team of people passionate for mission, evangelisation and the communication of the Word, who can contribute their talents and use their gifts in fresh and innovative ways. I am looking for people who want to bring their prayers and ingenuity to the mission of the diocese in a Catholic context that is courageous, dynamic, and new. I am looking for people who have a relationship with Jesus Christ and want to put that relationship into action.

I am also delighted that I have been able to visit every parish in the first year as Bishop of the Diocese. Normally this can take two or even three years to complete. One of the unforeseen opportunities provided by the COVID environment has been the possibility of these visits. It has been a delight to meet so many people, even if we have been restricted in our gatherings. I look forward to continuing these visits as we commit ourselves anew to the mission of proclaiming the Gospel.

Finally, I would ask your prayers at this time. Over these past couple of months, I have been praying and thinking about the upcoming transfer of clergy in our Diocese. During my visits I have been having conversations with the clergy and I have also had the opportunity to consult with people throughout the community. My hope is that the movement of our priests and deacons will ultimately allow them to thrive in their vocations and that our communities of faith will have happy, healthy, and holy priests and deacons to lead and serve.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide me with the gift of wisdom. Pray also for the priests and deacons that they may respond with generosity and availability. Finally, pray for our communities of faith, that they will be welcoming and accepting of the gifts God gives, especially the gift of our clergy.

May God continue to bless you and your families, + *Anthony*

Join the Team at Broken Bay Diocese: New positions vacant in Evangelisation and Communications. To apply or for more information go to www.bbcatholic.org.au/jobs



Bibles for our Year 6 State School Students

As is the tradition at Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish, we annually gift the Year 6 students of our State Primary Schools a Graduation Bible. This is done with hearts full of hope that these students will have a way to keep in touch with the Word of God as they enter High School, where sadly for many, their exposure to our faith (through the amazing work of our Catechists) will no longer be available to them.

This year we are gifting Bibles to over 70 graduating students and just like last year, we are looking for parishioners to possibly contribute the \$14 cost of a single Bible.

If this is something which appeals to you, please give the office a call on 9456 2450. (Bibles will be distributed to these children, via our Catechists, during the next 2 weeks)



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Thursday 19th November 2020, Sacred Heart Church, Pymble. Mass at **6pm** followed by light meal and short meeting in Marian Hall. Given the size of the Hall, social distancing is easily achieved. Our celebrant, **Fr Gerard Moran OCD** of Corpus Christi Parish St Ives **will be our guest speaker.** His topic will be **"The Life of Saint Teresa of Avila"**. Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see". Please call: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you'd like to attend.



Operation Christmas Child ~ Your boxes must be returned by NEXT Sunday

If at all possible, in this very unusual year, could you

please return your boxes by Sunday 22 November at the very latest to the Pastoral Centre OR St Bernard's Church this year for ease of collection.

The Boxes will be taken to the warehouse that week so late donations sadly cannot be accepted. Please contact Louise Dryden on 0405 556 887 for information. *Thank you for your support.*

COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS & VINNIES CHRISTMAS CARDS: SVdP Society

Asquith Conference have available for purchase at the back of the Church the 2021 Columban Art Calendars and St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Cards. The prices are unchanged from last year at \$9.00 per Calendar and \$7.00 per pack of 10 Christmas Cards. Your purchase will go towards assisting those in need in our Parish and the Columban Missions. Please place money in the box provided. Many thanks for your support. Contact: Les Fogden 9476 4058

Welcome to our Faith Family
Baptism congratulations to...
Alejandro Salazar Meneses
and
Sophia Helen Muscat
who are to be baptised this weekend.
Please keep them and their parents and Godparents in your prayers.

RECONNECT

An **OUTREACH GROUP** has been established in our parish to build upon the existing community feeling and make it even better!
This group will be known as "RECONNECT"
It's motto is ...
"We are here for you!"
It's aim is ...
to listen, to talk, to care, to share.
So one of these days you may receive a call just to say 'G'day'.
What we want to know is ...
"Is there anything "Reconnect" can do for you?" eg ...
*** Assistance with meals * A lift to Mass * A regular chat etc.**
To quickly get in touch with "Reconnect" just call the office on 9456 2450.

Personal Participation of the Eucharist

It is good to see the increasing number of our parishioners for the participation of our daily masses and weekend masses. Vatican calls for a "necessary and urgent" return to in-person Mass. Very recently, Cardinal Robert Sarah, the Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship has sent a letter to world's Episcopal conferences which says, "Broadcast liturgies can never replace personal participation in the Eucharist". He has encouraged them a return to the "normality of Christian life," in particular to the resumption of regular participation at Mass. He continues to say that "As soon as circumstances permit, it is necessary and urgent to return to the normality of Christian life, which has the church building as its home and the celebration of the liturgy, especially the Eucharist as the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed..."

The combined diocese of Broken Bay presents...
Carols Under the Star
We are going VIRTUAL
Exciting details to come...
save the date
17 December 2020, 7:30pm

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 21st / 22nd Nov – Christ the King - Year A

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE; Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

	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	John Messina	Malcolm Cross	Vicente Sanchez
Reader (1)	Natasha Steele	Peter Collins	Penny Loughland	Rosemary Pendlebury	Simone Noel	Sub Requested
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Francesca Parrino	Hayley Rodrigues	Jim Fitzgerald	Mary Stokes	Sue Lum
Usher / s	Jan & Joseph Favaloro	Peta Tonkin	Chris Smith	Cynthia Gilbertson	Sub Requested	Sub Requested
Sacristy Care/ Church Cleaning/	Cecilia Waite (f), Ning Biyo, Elaine Maatouk, Marissa Maatouk, Brenda Brooks (s)		Lyn Vila, Leila Fowler, Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer, Yovana Castro Guerrero			
Maintenance	Teams A & B		November: Malcolm Cross, David Chui - additional help appreciated please			

Additional Ministries required for 50th Anniversary 9am Mass SBB:

Master of Ceremonies: Vince Hughes; **Thurifer:** Justin Berry, **Intercessions:** Denise Harant, **Ushers:** Michelle Chahine, Peta Tonkin; **Wardens:** Sue Lum and Chris Smith

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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*.

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NECK PAIN ERGONOMICS MUSCLE PAIN STRESS

Covid Caretaking ~ Caring for our Community & each other

You have most likely heard that 'Places of Worship' can now have up to 300 people in attendance.

What isn't heard often enough, is that the **4 square metre per person rule still determines the upper limit** within a Church and it **DOES NOT INCLUDE THE GROUNDS SURROUNDING THE CHURCHES.**

We can officially accommodate **101 people at Asquith and 61 people at Berowra.**

Once the inside capacity of the church is reached additional parishioners will need to vacate the perimeter of the parish boundaries. **To avoid disappointment, it is MUCH PREFERRED that you BOOK IN ADVANCE please.** This will make entry into the Church much quicker as ushers simply "tick" your name & don't have to "take" details. Mass will not be disrupted either. *Thank you, Fr Shaju.*

MOST-IMPORTANT- and- No.-1-Rule- follow- ALL- DIRECTIONS- of- the- USHER/s

Capacity-of- our-churches- **101-in- St-Patrick's- 61-in- St-Bernard's- If-unwell- DO-NOT- come-to-mass- please- see-your-doctor**

Stand 1.5m apart

WE'RE COVID SAFE

Wear a mask

Volunteer-to-disinfect-pews-after-Mass,-OR-leave-immediately-and-DO-NOT-congregate-outside-the-church

Covid-19-symptoms
*Fever- (37.5-or-higher)
*Sore/scratchy-throat-
*Shortness-of-breath-
*Loss-of-smell-
*Loss-of-taste-
*Cough-