

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

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Easter Vigil / Easter Sunday Year C

Holy Saturday ~ Easter Vigil
Saturday 16/04

Gen 1:1 -2:2; Ex 14:15 -15:1;

Is 55:1-11; Ezek 36:16-28;

Epistle: Rom 6:3-11; Lk 24:1-12

Easter Sunday

Sunday 17/04

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor

5:6-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or

Lk 24:13,35

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

St Bernard's 8am Mon, Tues, Thurs
9am Wed and Fri
St Patrick's 8am Wed and Fri
9am Mon, Tues, Thurs

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.

An Easter message from Fr Shaju and Fr Joy



On this day 1,600 years ago St John Chrysostom could say on behalf of us all: 'Hell took a body, and discovered God. It took earth, and encountered Heaven.

It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it could not see.

O Death, where is your sting? O Hell, where is your victory?

Christ is Risen, and you, O Death, are destroyed!

Christ is Risen, and evil is cast down! Christ is Risen, and angels rejoice!

Christ is Risen, and new life is set free! Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ having risen from the dead, becomes the first-fruit of those who have fallen asleep.

To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever. Amen!'

Dear friends, what an opportunity Easter gives to us.

Renewed by our Lenten journey and having walked the path of Jesus through the Triduum, we have been granted the unique opportunity, *an Easter gift if you like*, to start afresh, renewed and to rise up to a higher self in the image of Our Risen Saviour. Our Easter prayer to all, *parishioners and visitors alike*, is a most holy and joyful Easter. As you celebrate together with family and friends, we pray that you experience the Holy Spirit in your words of kindness, the Son in your actions of compassion and the Father guiding your thoughts always.

*Wishing you a grace-filled Easter and the Risen Lord's blessing be upon each of you,
Fr Shaju & Fr Joy.*

A Mystery Beyond Words

Mary Magdalene finds the empty tomb and runs to the apostles to tell them her astonishing news.

St John's is the only account where the apostles are directly involved in finding that the tomb was empty, and where neither Jesus nor angels were there to give any guidance about the meaning of it.

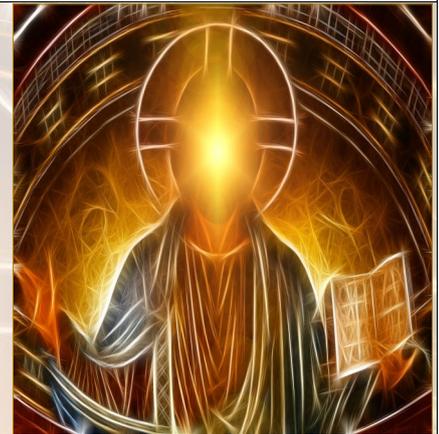
The Beloved Disciple was present with Peter to see the discarded burial-cloths within the tomb, and he at once realised what this meant: that Jesus was risen from the dead!

Like many others, I felt deep emotion on seeing the Grand Canyon in Arizona; my whole being was thrilled by the awesomeness of it all. I had a camera, and I used it to the best of my ability, trying to capture the vision, the emotions, the experience, and the wonder of it. Later I realised the futility of such photos when I came home and tried to explain to friends what my experience had been. The fact was that it would be necessary for the others to see for themselves what I saw, before there was any hope of real understanding or appreciation taking place. For those who don't understand, no words are possible, and for those who do understand, no words are necessary. That's the sense we have when reading the resurrection story. It tells of a deeply mysterious fact, but we can't quite capture what its impact was within the hearts of his followers, that first Easter day.

Let's remember that this gospel, this truly *great* news, is timeless and so is still for *here and now*.

In a real sense, I am reflected by every person in that story, and should try to put myself within the story as told by Saint John today. Am I like Magdalene who told the others the news of resurrection? Or like the apostles who responded immediately by running to the tomb to see for

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Diocese of Broken Bay Australia

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

**Octave of Easter
Year C**

Monday 18/04

Acts 2:14, 22-33
Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday 19/04

Acts 2:36-41
Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday 20/04

Acts 3:1-10
Lk 24:13-35

Thursday 21/04

Acts 3:11-26
Lk 24:35-48

Friday 22/04

Acts 4:1-12
Jn 21:1-14

Saturday 23/04

Acts 4:13-21
Mk 16:9-15

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Andrew Italiano, Peter Brooks,
Fr John Worthington SM,
Marion Berry, Catharina (Cathy)
Reemst, Felicity Fone, Sam
Calacoci, Patricia (Pat) Davies,
Harry Hwang

ANNIVERSARIES:

Gregory Cooper, Denis
Mulligan, Joaquin Victor
D'Souza

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE

SICK: For those suffering from
Covid-19 - that it will brought
under control and eliminated as
a health risk for all.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Georgina Hughes, Jeanette
Bakker, Mary Burns, 'Roy',
Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy,
Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger,
Roger Okell, Barbara Jones,
Jean Cook, Patrick O'Donoghue,
Peter Brooks, Brian Treacy,
Fr Thomas Philip OSH,
John Cosgrove (Snr), Josef,
Tom Dawson, Marie Haag,



**Pope's intention for April:
Health Care Workers;**

We pray for health care
workers who serve the
sick and the elderly, especially in
the poorest countries; may they be
adequately supported by
governments and local
communities.

The 250 Club!

Week 9: 11/04/22;

Winning No: 898;

Amount: \$25.00;



Winner: Unfinancial

[from previous page] themselves. I'm not exactly sure when I first **heard** about the resurrection of Jesus.



But it was many years later when I personally **experienced** this for myself. The discovery came in moments of darkness and desolation, when I cried out to God for help. We all have our moments when we cry out

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me??”

But God does not forget or forsake us, and the darkest hour is just before the dawn.

On Easter morning, the stone was rolled away from the mouth of the tomb. Could I think of my heart as a tomb awaiting a resurrection? Can I identify anything akin to a stone that is holding me back from enjoying the fullness of life? It could be an addiction, a compulsion or some hidden and dark secret that I have never shared with anyone. We can be as sick as our secrets. But as pope Francis declares,

“We are called to be people of joyful hope, not doomsday prophets!”

Because of the resurrection of Jesus, we can all have hopeful joy, and go out to share it with the world.

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**Having not seen their families in India for 3 years,
we take this opportunity to wish**

Bon Voyage to our beloved Priests.

Fr Joy leaves us on Monday (18th) for just a couple of weeks,
but Fr Shaju leaves us on Thursday (21st) for 10 weeks!!!

We wish you both good health, safe travels and the ability to use a compass,
so you can find your way back to your Aussie flock.

We will miss you both.

Fr Joy will return to us on 3 May and Fr Shaju on 1 July,

therefore

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

Monday 18 April 2022 to Saturday 2 July 2022 ~ being,

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

9am at St Bernard's Berowra Heights ~ Wednesday // Friday.

Please Note: There will be **no change to weekend Masses** because
the Diocese has arranged for Supply Priests to assist us,

SO

We extend a warm KCCP welcome to the following Priests

who will be celebrating masses during the absence of our priests.

Fr Eliseus & Fr John are coming to us courtesy of **Manly-Pittwater Parish**
in our own Broken Bay Diocese and

Fr Martins Aloga is on long service/study leave from **Batemans Bay Parish**
in the Canberra-Goulburn Diocese.



9am Weekday & Saturday morning Masses	Thurs. 21st April to Friday 29th April	Fr Eliseus Shin
	Saturday 30th April to Wednesday 4 May	Fr John Puliparambil
Weekend Masses	23rd / 24th April	Fr Eliseus Shin and Fr Martins Aloga
Weekend Masses	30th April / 1st May	Fr John Puliparambil and Fr Martins Aloga
Weekend Masses	7th / 8th May	Fr Joy Thomas and Fr John Puliparambil



**Charlotte Smith & Hunter Smith
Welcome to our Catholic Faith Family.**

Now you have been Baptised, Confirmed and have received First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil Mass, it is a joy to welcome you fully into our worshipping community with light and Word and water and Eucharist! As a parish we sincerely thank our RCIA Coordinator, Sue Newnham for preparing Charlotte and Hunter over many months.

May the Risen Lord bless you and guide you, today and always.

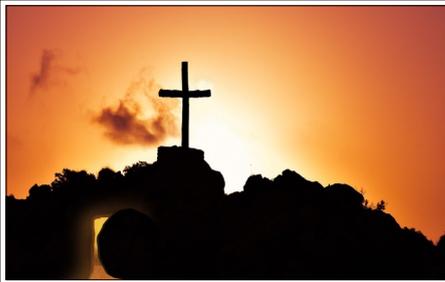
Please stay for awhile after Vigil Mass to celebrate with other parishioners, the old *and the new!!!*



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, Fr Shaju.



Vox Episcopi -

The Voice of the Bishop - 13 April 2022

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last night at our Cathedral in Waitara we celebrated a beautiful and joyous Mass – the Chrism Mass. It was wonderful to see our clergy gather with so many from our parishes throughout the Diocese.



The Cathedral was full for one of the most important liturgies in our Church calendar. All the priests renewed their ordination promises while the entire gathering was committed to praying for the priests and me, the bishop.

The Chrism Mass liturgy is also the time blessing and consecrating of oils used in the pastoral and sacramental life of the Church.

The Oil of Catechumens, used with the Sacrament of Baptism; the Oil of the Infirm, used in the anointing of the sick; and the Oil of Chrism, fragrantly perfumed and used in the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders and also in the dedication ceremony of a church when the Bishop anoints the new altar and the church building. At the end of the Mass our priests took bottles of these oils back to their parishes for use in the coming year.

While the Chrism Mass is a solemn occasion, we also experience the joy of the Gospel, the fruit of the love of God, made visible in Jesus Christ. It is that same joy which brings to birth a peace that is everlasting. Love, joy, and peace are the promise of eternal life in Christ.

Through our baptismal priesthood, we all share in the mission of Christ, and while our anointing of ministerial priests sets them apart it never separates us from the People of God. This is why the ordinary place of every ordained priest is in the midst of people, in relationship to others.

My sisters and brothers, please pray for our priests, especially this Holy Week, to be good and faithful shepherds after the heart of Christ. That being more like Christ they will remain close to you.

This week we leave Lent and enter the Easter Triduum or “period of three days” –during which we celebrate the Paschal Mystery - the life, passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday; Good Friday, a day of fasting when we reflect deeply upon the Passion of Christ and make the Stations of the Cross; Holy Saturday when catechumens are initiated into the body of Christ; and then Easter Sunday, the proclamation from the empty tomb, that Christ is Risen!

It is this time, the passion and resurrection of Christ, which is the culmination of the entire liturgical year.

We will hear and repeat the words from Psalm 118:24 – “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad,” as we proclaim a new way of life with Jesus Christ, our saviour, who is risen from the dead.

It is the time to make real the peace of Christ - despite those who threaten with force, injustice, abuse and prejudice.

The peace of Christ is the goal of our activities, be they individual or collective.

May the peace of the Risen Christ reign in our hearts, in our community, and in our world.

With my prayers and blessing + *Anthony*



A gentle but very important reminder

I respectfully request that you consider how distracting a ringing phone during Mass is to the concentration and prayers being offered by your priests and your fellow parishioners.

Please, turn off or mute your mobile phone when entering the church at any time and most especially when attending Mass.

Fr Shaju.



Praisefest - World Youth Day Launch

Calling all Youth & Young Adults to a night of festivities, cultural food, praise & art, with times of fun and times to receive via testimony and a message from Bishop Anthony Randazzo as we launch the upcoming World Youth Day 2023 pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal.

When: 6-9 pm, 29 April

Where: Light of Christ Centre, Waitara

Who: Anyone 15-35

Cost: Free.

The event is fully catered.



Join the celebrations for *Divine Mercy Sunday on April 24*

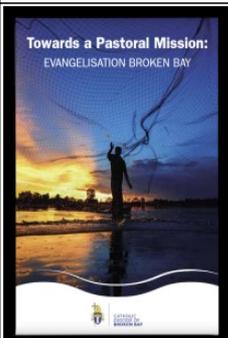
This is your invitation to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday at St Agatha's Pennant Hills, between 1:30pm and 4pm, including Reconciliation

(NB: Reconciliation starts at 1pm), Mass at 2pm, Benediction, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image.

"Tell the whole world of My great mercy ... mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy." (Jesus to St Faustina)

Enquiries: Greg 0419 228 199

Towards a Pastoral Mission



The Evangelisation Broken Bay team are in the process of creating their Pastoral Mission which will highlight their goals and strategies around how they intend to support the evangelisation efforts of those in the community of the Church of Broken Bay. The EBB team want to hear from you to make sure the support offered is in line with the mission and vision of your particular parish/faith community.

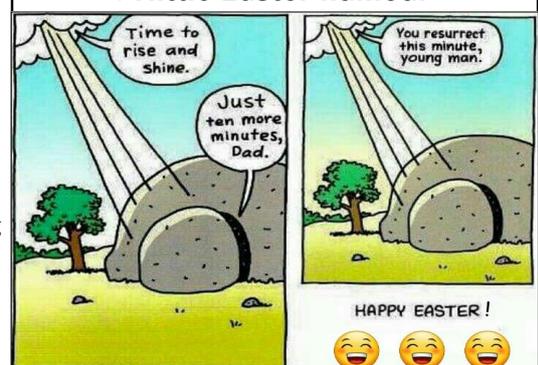
Online submissions are officially open and the submissions closing date has been extended until **Sunday 24 April 2022**.

All are invited to make a submission.

Visit the link for more info and to make a submission.

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/evangelisation/towards-a-pastoral-mission>

A little Easter humour



ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND – 23rd/24th April 2022 — Second Sunday of Easter — Year C
Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

	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	Bill Martin	Sue Lum	Sue Lum
Reader (1)	John Ryan	Jeanette Neary	Helen Chui	Jim Fitzgerald	Susie Gates	Gabriel Henao
Reader (2)	Donna Machado	Peter Collins	Celia Cox	Michael Halliday	David Massa	Christine Vila
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Cecilia Waite (f), Ning Biyo, Annette Shapter (s)		Sue O'Malley, Mary O'Malley, Sue O'Malley, John O'Malley, Fiona Fone (f)			
Maintenance	Team A & B — <i>additional help always appreciated</i>		Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow— <i>additional help always appreciated</i>			

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*.



HAVE YOU BEEN IMPACTED BY THE RECENT RAIN & FLOODS?

Our emergency relief program may be able to help you

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Diocese of Broken Bay

Many of our communities have experienced damage to their homes and belongings as a result of the recent rain and floods. Our emergency relief program may be able to assist. We can support with food and clothing vouchers, replacement of whitegoods and bill payments to help you recover. We can also assist you to access a range of other supports if needed. To find out more or to apply, call us today on [1800 324 924](tel:1800324924).



SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!



Learning Hub:

Parents and carers (and professionals) can be provided with the knowledge, skills, and tools to support children to have safe and positive online experiences. Due to a growing demand for educational programs, the eSafety commission have expanded their 2022 calendar to include more dates and topics. Topics include *Cyberbullying and online drama; Helping kids thrive online; and Guide to the holidays*. For further details please visit: [eSafety Parent & Carer Webinars 2022 Schedule](#)

Ukraine Appeal As we see on a daily basis, the people of Ukraine are still desperate for our support. They need food, water, clothing (especially for women and children) and medical supplies. Many aid organisations have responded.



KAPITAC UKRAÏNI
CARITAS UKRAINE
Ukraine Crisis Appeal

Caritas AUSTRALIA
Caritas Australia

Aid to the Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA
Aid To Church in Need

Jesuit Mission

If you can contribute, visit the webpages of any of the opposite organisations.

Community News:

Australia's eSafety Commissioner has welcomed the commencement of the Online Safety Act, which provides additional protections for Australians in the fight against online harms. Now the Online Safety Act has commenced, eSafety can receive reports which fall under the new legislation through their website. To read the media release, visit <https://www.esafety.gov.au/newsroom/media-releases/new-online-safety-laws-come-force>. For a copy of the Online Safety Act 2021 Fact Sheet, please visit: [Online Safety Act 2021 Fact Sheet PDF](#)

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