

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH -

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 17 September 2023 ~ 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time ~ Year A

Sirach 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Entrance: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

'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

St Patrick's, Asquith

8am Wednesday and Friday
9am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Saturday

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

8am Thursday
9.15am Wednesday and Friday
(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

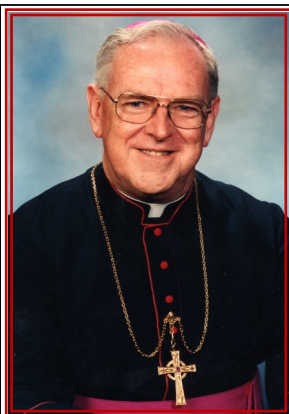
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(Out of office hours **URGENT** only)

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.



Come Holy Spirit, Come!

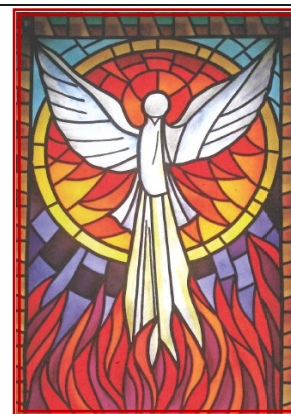
Today, Sunday 17th September 2023, our Parish of Ku-ring-gai Chase celebrates the

Sacrament of Confirmation

with **83** young candidates receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit from

Most Rev David L Walker
Bishop Emeritus of Broken Bay

Bishop David, we are very happy to have you with us on this special occasion, you are most welcome!



My dear Parishioners and visitors to our parish,

After a long period of intense preparation, eighty three candidates are going to be conferred today by Bishop Emeritus David L Walker.

I personally want to wish them all the best and pray that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit today and always.

Confirmation is one of the seven sacraments of the church by which Catholics receive a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Moreover, this single sacrament of Confirmation confers the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit upon the recipient and they are:

Wisdom ~ Makes us see all things in the light of God and impels us to see Him above all things

Understanding ~ Helps us understand the Word of God and the doctrines of the Faith

Counsel ~ Encourages us to follow the solution that most matches the glory of God and the good of others

Fortitude ~ Helps us to overcome difficulties with our Faith

Knowledge ~ Helps us see the world from God's perspective

Piety ~ Moves us to treat God with the trust with which a child treats their own Father **and**

Fear of the Lord ~ Compels us to flee from sin and always choose to please God.

These gifts give us increased knowledge and understanding of Jesus Christ and His Church.

They really help us to practice our Catholic Faith in every aspect of our lives and to give witness to Christ in every situation. It is good to remember that these gifts are meant to bear fruit for ourselves and for others.

May our candidates become true witnesses of our Lord Jesus Christ by spreading the Good News and defending the Faith through their words and deeds.

May God abundantly bless you children, now and always. Fr Biju.

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

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

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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 Favaloro

Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill (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 September:

For people living on
the margins:

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year A

Monday 18/09

1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday 19/09

1 Tim 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday 20/09

~ Memorial

Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, martyr, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions, martyrs

1 Tim 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday 21/09 ~ Feast

St Matthew, apostle, evangelist
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

Friday 22/09

1 Tim 6:2-12; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday 23/09 ~ Memorial

St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest
1 Tim 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Anna Hwang, Dolla Patricio.

ANNIVERSARY: Reg Cooper, Harold D'Souza, Kerrin Enright, Eulalia Elling, Ted Newnham

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

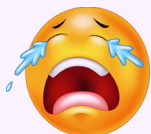
Bill Holmes, Bob Hawkins, Adele Ramos, Christian Harant, Simon Riddett, Cita Del Rio, Judith Ryan, Won Lee, Chris Enright, Maris Park, Philomena & Rex D'Souza, Mary Mathew, Fiona Loughland, Anna Cho, Garth Graham, Yvonne Graham, Isabel Henson, Judy Farrell, Chichi Datoc, Ann Leslie, Mary Burns, Georgina Hughes, Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, Barbara Jones, Jean Cook, Brian Treacy, Josef, Marie Haag, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, John Cosgrove (Snr), Patrick O'Donoghue, Elaine Longmuir.

The 250 Club!

Week 8 ~ 11/09/2023;
Winning #: 281

Amount: \$25.00

Winner:
Unfinancial



Congratulations to all the children who will be Confirmed this weekend in our parish.

The Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person for the good of all. (1 Corinthians 12:7)

<i>Craig A</i>	<i>Maxine C</i>	<i>Elliott G</i>	<i>Tristan L</i>	<i>Amelia S</i>
<i>Jervis A</i>	<i>Oliver C</i>	<i>Oliviamarie G</i>	<i>Victor M H</i>	<i>Locklan S</i>
<i>Darius A</i>	<i>Sophie C</i>	<i>James G</i>	<i>Mina M</i>	<i>Liam S</i>
<i>Sadie A</i>	<i>Reve C</i>	<i>Paityn H</i>	<i>Ava M</i>	<i>Ross T</i>
<i>Liz B</i>	<i>Samantha C-F</i>	<i>Oliver H</i>	<i>Bradley M</i>	<i>Bradley T</i>
<i>Emmett B</i>	<i>Sophia C-F</i>	<i>John H</i>	<i>Natalia P</i>	<i>Scarlett T</i>
<i>Harry B</i>	<i>Anamaria D-F</i>	<i>Madeleine H</i>	<i>Irene P</i>	<i>Annie T</i>
<i>Isabella B</i>	<i>Elizabeth D</i>	<i>Melissa H</i>	<i>Max P</i>	<i>Taliana V O</i>
<i>Sebastian B</i>	<i>Dante D</i>	<i>Vincent H</i>	<i>Finnigan R</i>	<i>Oscar V</i>
<i>Olivia B</i>	<i>Noah E</i>	<i>Joseph I</i>	<i>Charlotte R</i>	<i>Ellery V</i>
<i>Lucas B</i>	<i>Thomas F</i>	<i>Spencer K</i>	<i>Nicola S</i>	<i>Himaya V</i>
<i>Hugo B</i>	<i>Enrique G</i>	<i>Oliver K</i>	<i>Mikaela S</i>	<i>Annalise W</i>
<i>Matthew B</i>	<i>Rafael G</i>	<i>Emma K</i>	<i>Madeleine S</i>	<i>Isla Z</i>
<i>Olivia B</i>	<i>Maeve G</i>	<i>Oliver K</i>	<i>Noah S</i>	<i>Kelzie Z</i>
		<i>Phillip K</i>		

Congratulations to candidates joining us from

Frenchs Forest Parish ~ *Aria C* ~ *Kai J* ~ *Sophie L* ~ *Abigail M* ~ *Natalia M*
The Entrance Parish ~ *Huxley T* ~ *Parker D*
Pennant Hills Parish ~ *Louis M*

As a parish we would like to thank:



The parents and sponsors of our candidates for their support and instruction in the faith at home and beyond



The many amazing readers, offertory bearers, musicians and artistic helpers who prepared the churches with banners, flowers, brooms, dusters, etc



Our Senior and Junior Servers who anticipate the needs of all,
(SBB) Paul Dryden; Harry T, Archie T, Bronte T, Freya T &
(SPA) David Massa; Francis Lizardo; Oscar B, Lucy H V, Thomas C



The wonderful workshop facilitators who voluntarily give of their time and talents to prepare the children at SPA ~ Simone, Christine, Gabriel, David, Fiona, Susan, Phill at SBB ~ Jackie, Natasha, Lisa



Special thanks go to our wonderful Sacramental Team of

Peta Tonkin and Phill Clarke

who voluntarily work tirelessly preparing the children for all their Sacraments and who take care of the multitude of little things behind the scenes that make these celebrations so memorable



And of course, **our wonderful children,**

for receiving the Gifts of the Holy Spirit with reverence and humility.



Another super easy way to support the parish financially is to be a member of the 250 Club !
Just 5 weeks into the current series, we've had winners in 4 of the 5 weeks, paying out \$575 !!
For just \$1 per week over a 20 week period
(that's just \$20 all up)

you receive a 'block' of 4 consecutive numbers and 16 opportunities to win \$25 or 4 opportunities to win \$500.00

But, you have to be in it to win it !

So come on !!! Join the club, the 250 Club!!!

Of the 250 'blocks' of numbers we have:



156 Financial blocks (5 NEW Subscribers)
(thank you so much for your ongoing support)



30 Unfinancial blocks
(parishioners who have not yet paid for the current series)

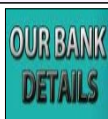


64 Unsubscribed blocks
(these are immediately available for 'purchase')

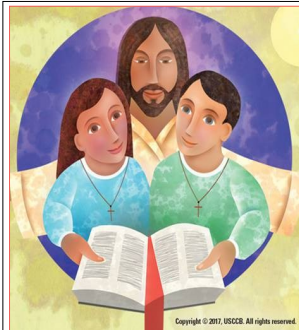
Please call the office asap
to pay your membership or
to purchase 'block/s' of numbers.



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.



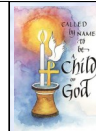
URGENT REQUEST from our Catechist Co-Ordinator,
on behalf of our Catholic children in our State Primary Schools.

Could you spare half an hour for these students in either of these two schools?
They would appreciate a Catechist to come in and teach them, urgently.

✠ **Hornsby North Public School, Ida Street, Hornsby: Thursday, Year 6 - Time: 09:45am - 10:15 am**

✠ **Wideview Public School, Wideview Street, Berowra Heights: Wednesday, Years 5/6 (combined class) - Time: 11:35am - 12:05pm**

Please contact Cynthia Gilbertson via Parish Office 9456 2450



Welcome to our Faith Family

Baptism congratulations to Sophia Eve Venezia
who is to be baptised this weekend.
Please keep her, her parents and Godparents in your prayers.

LOST!

Did you happen to find a gold necklace at St Patrick's last weekend?

This necklace was left to a lady by her late mother and it holds great sentimental value to her. If you found this necklace, please give it to either Priest, call the parish office or simply place it on the collection plate at any Mass. Thank you for your assistance.



Help requested from all the wonderful ethnic communities of our parish with a Multicultural Event to be held on Friday 22 September 2023.

Calling all parishioners with different cultural backgrounds who can help us with this parish activity. We would like to hold a multicultural food market afternoon/evening to raise awareness to the many cultures in our community and to help raise funds for our parish activities during the year. If you can help organise a stall we would love to hear from you. Please send a message to the office or contact me directly on 0451664592, Moauli Griffiths for the PPC.

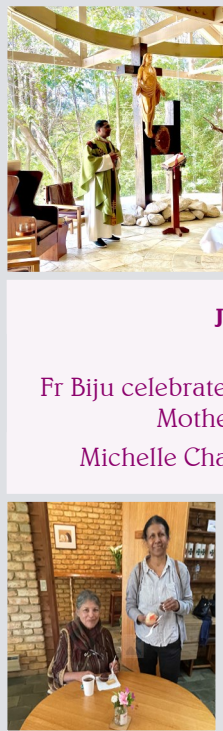
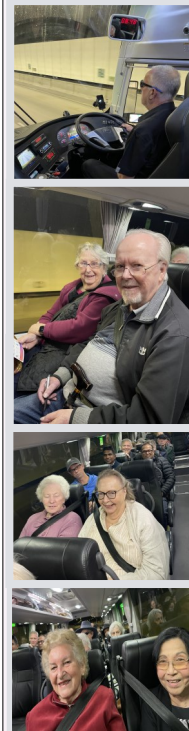


World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

The Season of Creation began on Friday 1 September and will conclude this coming Friday, 22 September 2023 with special prayers at St Patrick's Church from 5.45pm to 6.15pm.

All welcome.

"Let us heed our call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, and to put an end to the senseless war against creation." Pope Francis.



The parish outing to The Abbey, Jamberoo

was a wonderful success and the day was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

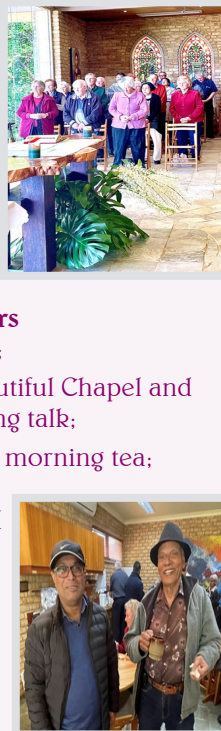
Bus driver Neville safely conveyed our **Jolly-Jamberoo-Jaunters** 'there and back again';

Fr Biju celebrated Holy Mass in the beautiful Chapel and Mother Hilda gave an inspiring talk;

Michelle Chahine provided a lovely morning tea;

Justin won 'Bus Bingo' and everyone enjoyed their delicious lunch at Jamberoo Bowling Club!

Keep an eye out for details of our next adventure!



"Many thanks to Margaret, Michelle and the priests for co-ordinating to arrange such a pleasant day for us all (to The Abbey). Everything was perfect. Really enjoyed visiting The Abbey and the club for lunch was great. Besides anything else, our south coast is such a spectacular area it was just beautiful to be transported to our destination and back without having to concentrate on driving etc. Thanks and peace" – Margaret Acret

Junior Servers Formation Sessions

Recently our parish held these sessions to instruct new communicants in the art of being a Junior Altar Server and a refresher course for our existing Junior Servers.

The formation sessions were run by Seminarian Rosan Mathew & Michelle Chahine to whom we are very grateful and thank them for their time, commitment and pizza!

If you would like to become a Junior Server at either of our churches please reach out to either priest at Mass or call the Parish Office.



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

is a wonderful way for young people to become involved in their parish community, meeting other young people, singing at Mass regularly, and having a fantastic time every week with fun and games at practices on Fridays from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. If you'd like your child to be more connected to their faith community, bring them along and encourage them to join. No charge - benefits out of this world!

Children's Choir is open to: Anyone from Year 3 to Year 12, from any parish or local state school in the parish are welcome to join this choir at any time.

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

If interested in joining: Please call Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.

Rosters & Readings for Weekend – 23/24 September 2023 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A – Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Mt 20:1-16

	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	Sue Lum,	Bill Martin	Malcolm Cross	Keith Fone
Altar Servers	Archie Tod	Olive O'Keefe	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Mia Nguyen	Volunteer needed
Altar Servers	Harry Tod	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
Reader (1)	Sophia Smith	Denise Harant	Miguel Do Rego	Jim Fitzgerald	Sandra Maloney	Les Fogden
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Barbara McMullen	Sue Watts	Michael Halliday	David De-Fina	Michael Halliday
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	Cecilia Waite (f), Gisela Muschal (s)		Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Michelle Hwang (f), Leticia Wee, Michelle Blanco			
Maintenance	Teams A & B (help always needed & appreciated)		September: Malcolm Cross, David Chui (help always needed & appreciated)			

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*.



"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." *Matthew 11:28*

SEPTEMBER 2023 PROGRAMS

- 1st (Friday)** 1ST FRIDAY HEALING SERVICE, CHATSWOOD
Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church, 94 Archer St, Chatswood NSW 2067, Tel 02 9410 9000
6:30pm - 8:30pm
- 2nd (Saturday)** ONE DAY MALAYALAM RETREAT
10:00am - 2:30pm
- 15th-17th (Fri-Sun)** YOUTH RETREAT (LIVE-IN)
"So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart." 2 Timothy 2:22
with Fr. Roni George VC and Fr. Jubey Varghese VC
Friday 5:30pm - Sunday 4:00pm BOOKING: drcretreatreg@gmail.com
- 18th (Monday)** SPIRITUAL RETREAT AT ST. PATRICK WALLSEND
7:00pm - 9:00pm, 11 Macquarie St, Wallsend 2287
- 19th (Tuesday)** SPIRITUAL RETREAT AT ST. LUKE'S REVESBY
7:00pm - 9:00pm, 1 Beaconsfield St, Revesby, NSW 2212
- 24th (Sunday)** ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE (LAST SUNDAY RETREAT)
ST VINCENT DE PAUL FEAST
9:00am - 4:00pm
with Fr. Roni George VC and Fr. Jubey Varghese VC
• *Prison and Warnings* • *Preaching the Word* • *Eucharistic Adoration* • *Holy Mass*
- KIDS' MINISTRY** FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 5-8 YEARS
- CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 9-12 YEARS
- TEENAGERS' MINISTRY** FOR TEENAGERS AGED BETWEEN 13-17 YEARS

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The Divine Retreat Centre promotes the safety and protection of children and other vulnerable persons in its care.

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

Safeguarding is for the protection of all - because everyone has the right to feel safe - is another way of saying:



We are looking out for you ~ we care about you ~ we will go the distance to protect you.

At KCCP we strive to be pro-active in the protection of all. We are committed to doing everything we can to keep all parishioners, volunteers, clergy, and especially children and vulnerable adults of our community safe by implementing measures/principles/practices that promote transparency in all ministries. If you have a concern for the safety and wellbeing of a child or young person or vulnerable adult, tell someone who can help.

These people in our Parish can help: Margaret Cooper, Parish Secretary, 9456 2450 (M-F 9am -3.30pm); Michelle Chahine, Youth Coordinator, 0424 191 449. Or contact the Office for Safeguarding (**Chancery**) on 8379 1605 or by emailing: safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au



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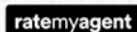
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