



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay

18 August 2024 ~ Year B

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: Turn your eyes, O God our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Communion Antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.



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 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.*

PARISH OFFICE

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Dear Parishioners,

This week we celebrate the feast of St. Bernard of Clairvaux the patron saint of our Berowra church and school. Bernard was born in the year 1090 at Fontaine-les-Dijon, France.

In 1113, at the age of twenty-three, he entered the Cistercian monastery at Citeaux. His superiors soon noticed that Bernard had made great progress in his spiritual life; thus, in 1115, he and twelve other monks were sent to start a new monastery in what was then known as the Valley of Wormwood; eventually it became known as the Valley of Light, or Clairvaux.

Later, Bernard was appointed Abbot at Clairvaux. St. Bernard (1090–1153) was known as an exceptional preacher and inspirational speaker. In the sixteenth century, Theophilus Reynauld wrote the book **The Gallic Bee**, in which he referred to St. Bernard as the **"Mellifluous"** or **"Honey-Sweet"** Preacher because his preaching was like **"... the fragrant aroma of an incense burning in a heart on fire with the Holy Spirit"** that flowed from his in-depth study of the faith, which like **"a diligent bee he has extracted the sweet essence from Scripture and the Fathers and refined it in loving meditation."**

Appropriately, St Bernard is the Patron Saint of Beekeepers and Candlemakers. Bernard died in his monastery at Clairvaux on 20 August 1153, at the age of 63. He was canonized as a saint by Pope Alexander III in 1174 and named a doctor of the church by Pope Pius VIII in 1830. By his life, St. Bernard showed how deeply he cared about God and God's people. We are fortunate to be under his heavenly patronage. I wish you all a Happy Feast. **Fr Biju Jose OSH, PP.**

St. Bernard of Clairvaux, pray for us! Amen.

TODAY Sunday 18 October's 9am Mass @ St Bernard's is a Parish/School celebration of one of our parish Patron Saints ... St Bernard of Clairvaux

(actual Feast day is Tuesday 20 August)

We welcome all St Bernard's students who are taking part in today's Sunday Mass and thank their parents who will be hosting the morning tea after Mass.



WELCOME



The Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrated on Thursday last was a beautiful coming together of parishioners and students at SBB.

The responses were loud and the singing even louder !



The centre image captures beautifully the moment when young Levi answers Fr Biju's question with **'my mum is like Mary because she has been caring for me from the moment I was born'.**

LIMITED PARKING!

Sundays only
in SPA school grounds



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



Pope's intention for August:

For Political Leaders.

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Monday 19/08

Ezek 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday 20/08 ~ Memorial

St Bernard, (Parish Patron Saint), abbot, doctor

Ezek 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday 21/08 ~ Memorial

St Pius X, pope

Ezek 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday 22/08 ~ Memorial

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ezek 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

Friday 23/08

Ezek 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday 24/08 ~ Feast

St Bartholomew, apostle
Rev 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fiona Loughland (daughter of Penny & Keith) Grace Italiano

ANNIVERSARY: Anita Perilla, Gary Simpson, Christin Simpson

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Paul Lam, Ruth Carlos, Grace Italiano, Leanne Scott, Ann Leslie, Barry Cox, Millie Wong, Vince Hughes, Sosefo Ali, Cita Del Rio, Pat Bowden, Bill Holmes, Isabel Henson, Chris Enright, Mary Mathew, Chichi Datoc, Mary Burns, Philomena D'Souza, Rey Hilario, Georgina Hughes, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, John Cosgrove (Snr), Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.



FOUND: Small silver key on collection plate. Please contact the office if yours.

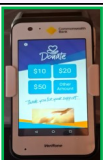
The 250 Club!

Week 4 ~ 12/08/24
Winning #: 871



Amount: **\$25.00**

Winner: **Quentin Price!**



Use our Smart Terminals to Tap 'n' Go

In fact, your 'Tap' is vital in helping the parish to 'Go'

Your donations help to pay for regular parish expenses, eg Hosts, electricity, water, etc.

Readings

First Reading Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built herself a house,
she has erected her seven pillars,
she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine,
she has laid her table.

She has despatched her maidservants
and proclaimed from the city's heights:
'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.'

To the fool she says,
'Come and eat my bread,
drink the wine I have prepared!
Leave your folly and you will live,
walk in the ways of perception.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

(R) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R)**
2. Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. **(R)**
3. Come children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **(R)**
4. Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **(R)**

Second Reading Ephesians 5:15-20

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but your lives should redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me
and I in them, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I shall give
is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly,
if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood,
you will not have life in you.
Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood
has eternal life,
and I shall raise him up on the last day.
For my flesh is real food
and my blood is real drink.
He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood
lives in me
and I live in him.
As I, who am sent by the living Father,
myself draw life from the Father,
so whoever eats me will draw life from me.
This is the bread come down from heaven;
not like the bread our ancestors ate:
they are dead,
but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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ATTENTION

Pastoral Discernment North Shore Project has commenced!

Please see the separate flyer included with this bulletin which explains Bishop Anthony's invitation for the People of God in the North Shore Deanery (that's us!) to engage in conversation and discern the particular needs of the North Shore community.

Upcoming DATES:

Formation Opportunity; A Synodal Church ~ A formation and information session is being planned for the **23 August, with Mr Andrew Spiteri**. During this online formation session, participants will gain a deeper understanding of listening, discernment, and the Conversation in the Spirit methodology. This online gathering is open to all diocesan members, especially Clergy, leaders and Consultation Facilitators of the North Shore Deanery. To register for the 'A Synodal Church' ~ contact the office for the link.

ATTENTION

Number 45 Planned Giving Envelope We know you are out there!!

Please, please, contact the parish office on 9456 2450 or E: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au
so we can record your giving correctly. **If you happen to notice the parishioner sitting next to you has envelope #45, please ask them to contact the office as soon as possible. Thanks so much for your help.**

'The Search'

is a video-based program designed to enkindle wonder as it takes people on a journey through life's enduring questions!



Why not take a look here:

<https://youtu.be/QOwZFL5Wpj8?si=Pnng2p8DQ6Vo8Ln>

This is a 7 session series exploring life and faith for Christians old and new to our faith!

Please note change of starting date:

The programme will now begin at
7:30pm on Thursday 22 August at Asquith
in the Fr Pat McMaugh Hall,
(within the school grounds),
Enquiries to Sue on 0400 300 598.



Junior Altar Server Training:

Have you made your First Holy Communion? Yes!

Then you can become a
Junior Altar Server!

Altar Server Training will

**take place at BOTH CHURCHES
on Wednesday August 21, 2024
from 3.30pm - 4.45pm**

Parents/guardians will need to sign a Consent Form and commit to taking you to Mass when rostered to serve.

You will be rostered for the weekend Mass you usually attend. Mr Vince Hughes (SBB) and Mr Malcolm Cross (SPA) will be conducting the training and ask you to meet them at your church of choice on the day. Both gentlemen hold WWCC's, however, a parent/guardian is requested to stay with your child, thank you.

For a consent form and let us know you are coming, please email the parish office.

Save the Date:
29 Sept. '24

Hi there!
I'm Moauli
your PPC
Vice Chair.

MULTICULTURAL
**FOOD
FESTIVAL**



At our recent parish discernment talks, you asked for more parish events, so I'm looking forward to your help and

cooperation with our parish Multicultural Food Festival.

For more info and offers to cook or help on the day, please call me on: 0451 664 592.



**KCCP YOUTH
GROUP**

We are building a new Youth Ministry in our parish

come along and get inspired!
All youth from Year 9 to young adult (23yo) are invited.

NEXT YOUTH GROUP:

**TONIGHT! SUNDAY 18 AUGUST
STRAIGHT AFTER 6PM MASS**

TO 8.30PM @ ST PAT'S ASQUITH

We will share food, enjoy games, music and social time as well as a short video for discussion and finish up with a prayer.

All youth are warmly invited – please bring a friend!

NEXT YOUTH MASS-YOUTH GROUP:

**SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER BEGINS
WITH MASS @ 6PM TO 8.30PM**

@ ST PAT'S ASQUITH

To get involved or more info.

E: Dn Adrian at

adrian.gomez@dbb.org.au



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

While many of our young ones have sporting commitments on Sundays, the Choir is always open to part-time participants taking a time-out during the soccer season. **The weekly practice session on Friday afternoons from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church** is where we learn the repertoire which applies for any Sunday throughout the year. So if you've been hesitating about your children joining the Choir, it may be easier than you think. Open to anyone from Year 3 to the end of high school. **The Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays each month.** Further information: contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT TO PARISH YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2024

The Parish Finance Committee reports as follows on the financial position and performance of the Parish for the year ended 30th June 2024.

The Operating Profit for the year recorded a surplus of \$1,963 compared to a deficit of \$1,541 for the previous financial year. This improvement was mainly due to operating income being \$15,676 higher primarily from total parish giving being \$9,653 and other parish income being \$6,023 higher than the previous year. Operating expenses increased by \$12,173 compared to the previous year. This was mainly due to an increase in employment expenses of \$3,386, office expenses by \$3,148 and pastoral programmes by \$7,702.

Non-Operating Income and Expenditure recorded a deficit of \$37,293 compared to a deficit of \$51,230 in the previous financial year.

This resulted in a total deficit for the financial year of \$35,331 compared to a deficit of \$52,770 for the previous financial year.

The cash position of the Church A/c has improved by \$98,049 over the year to \$208,800. This was due to the receipt of an insurance claim for the damaged retaining wall and storm water drainage pipes at St Patrick's Church of \$136,025. This has been set aside for expenditure over the coming period.

A summary of these figures is included in this Bulletin and on the Parish's website.

Thank you to all Parishioners who are continuing to generously support the Parish specially through planned giving by Credit Card and direct deposits. For those not contributing via planned giving, we request you to consider it as this facilitates budgeting for the Parish.

For those already using planned giving and you haven't already done so, please review your commitment for this financial year as costs continue to increase.

If you have any queries, please contact the Pastoral Office or any member of the Parish Finance Committee.

PARISH FINANCE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

CHURCH ACCOUNT	2024	2023	Variance
Total Income	255,657	260,392	-4,735
Total Expenditure	290,987	313,162	-22,175
SUPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-35,330	-52,770	17,440
Major Items Only			
REVENUE:-			
Planned Giving	125,996	135,949	-9,953
Unplanned Giving/Tap N Go Terminals	99,237	83,630	15,607
Bulletin Advertising	2,083	1,995	88
Sacramental Programmes	10,100	9,000	1,100
Catechesis of Good Shepherd	1,476	452	1,024
250 Club Income	3,589	1,690	1,899
Interest Received	1,756	558	1,198
Donations (Fettered)	956	567	389
Donations-Tv Installation	4,199	0	4,199
Donations-St Bernard's Presbytery Kitchen	0	25,000	-25,000
EXPENSES:-			
Employment Expenses	83,549	80,163	3,386
Altar & Church Requisites	8,414	7,010	1,404
Administration Expenses	17,981	17,351	630
Insurance	37,515	39,260	-1,745
Office Expenses	19,239	16,091	3,148
Pastoral Programmes	17,315	9,613	7,702
Rates, Strata Fees & Electricity	16,349	16,893	-544
Repairs & Maintenance	14,116	15,606	-1,490
Telecommunications	4,510	4,622	-112
Travelling & Car Allowance	22,125	23,190	-1,065
Capital Expenditure:-			
- Church	2,630	18,204	-15,574
- Grounds	8,317	15,000	-6,683
- Presbytery	12,997	36,701	-23,704
- Equipment	18,504	6,891	11,613
Available Cash-Church A/c	208,800	110,751	98,049
PASTORAL REVENUE (Mainly from first collection)			
Total Income	67,993.00	65,962.00	2,031.00
Total Expenditure	44,168.00	37,377.00	6,791.00
Surplus	23,825.00	28,585.00	-4,760.00
Transfer to:-			
Sustentation Fund	10,199.00	9,894.00	305.00
Clergy Board of Management	13,626.00	18,691.00	-5,065.00
	23,825.00	28,585.00	-4,760.00
Net Surplus/Deficit	0.00	0.00	0.00

	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	Barbara McMullen	Mani Subramany	Francis Lizardo	David Massa	Sue Lum
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Joshua Rumble Miranda Tablizo	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Oscar Braga Thomas Clarke	Volunteer now Volunteer now
Reader (1)	Justin Berry	Paul Maher	Hayley Rodrigues	Vivienne Schreiber	School	Les Fogden
Reader (2)	Anne Maree Hutchins	Isaac Tonkin	Miguel Do Rego	Russell Schreiber	School	Sub requested
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	GC, Cecilia Waite (f), Tina Manti (s)		Cynthia Gilbertson, Sue Watts, Cathy Gray, Maria Hon (f) (help always needed & appreciated)			
Maintenance	Team A & B -(help always needed & appreciated)		August - Luke Massa, David Mooney -(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*.

Wills, Enduring Guardianship and Powers of Attorney



Free Seminar
for the Catholic
community of Broken Bay
featuring an expert
legal advisor.

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@bbccatholic.org.au



**Presenter
Cecilia Castle**

Principal of
Castle Lawyers,
will present and
answer questions
from her legal
expertise of over

35 years. Cecilia is a regular speaker
and writer on legal topics, and a
parishioner in the Diocese of
Broken Bay.

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