



St Patrick's Catholic Church
Cnr Baldwin Ave & Royston Pde, Asquith

St Bernard's Catholic Church
1-19 Woodcourt Rd, Berowra Heights

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH in the Diocese of Broken Bay

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time~ Year C ~ 19th October 2025

Welcome to our Spiritual home

A very warm welcome to you, especially to anyone new and visiting our parish.
It is good to have you with us!

If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community, please contact us by email or on the number below. We'd love to hear from you!

P: (02) 9456 2450; E: parishkccp@bbccatholic.org.au; W: bbccatholic.org.au/kccp

Requests for inclusion in our bulletin may be submitted for consideration up to 12 noon on Wednesdays by emailing: parishkccp@bbccatholic.org.au

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	9am	St Patrick's
	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
Vietnamese Mass ~ 1st Sunday of the month at		
	2.30pm	St Patrick's

Temporary change to WEEKDAY MASSES ~ 17 Sept to 5 Dec. 2025
St Patrick's, Asquith

9am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
St Bernard's Berowra Heights
9.15am Wednesday and Friday (except 1st Friday of the month when Mass is at 11.30am)

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

Opening Hours: 9am – 4pm; Monday to Friday

Addresses: 1-19 Woodcourt Rd, Berowra Heights

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Leo's Lens ~ a Reflection by Nick Brodie

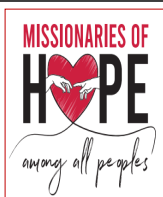
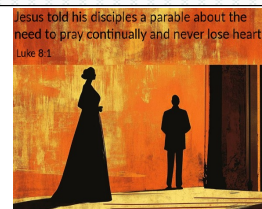
Justice, Pope Leo says, 'cannot be reduced to the mere application of the law or the work of judges, nor limited to procedural aspects.' As the Pope points out, 'the persistence of the widow who urges the judge to recover his sense of justice' speaks to the real meaning of the concept. Justice means more than the keeping or enforcing of rules.

Because justice is a cardinal virtue, the Pope reminds us, it should always inform and guide our consciences and actions. 'When justice is exercised,' he says, 'one places oneself at the service of individuals, society and the state, with full and unwavering dedication.'

Referring to 'the deep desire for justice that is present in each of us, the thirst for justice that is the key instrument for building the common good in every human society,' the Pope encourages us to consider what justice demands with respect to individual dignity and communal relationships. True justice, he affirms, 'establishes a circularity of social relations, which places the value of every human being at its core.'

For Christians, therefore, justice cannot be selfish or dismissive. Rather, justice should positively orient our relations with each other. 'As we know,' the Pope continues, 'justice becomes concrete when it reaches out to others, when each person is given their due, until equality in dignity and opportunity among human beings is achieved.'

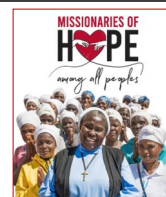
[Quotes from Address for the Jubilee of Justice, 20 September 2025: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/speeches/2025/september/documents/20250920-giubileo-operatori-justitia.html>] © Nick Brodie



World Mission Sunday

This year, Pope Francis calls us to be

"Missionaries of hope among all peoples",
extending Christ's love to those in need.



In this spirit, we invite parishioners to support vulnerable people through the work of Sr Jane Kaputa at the Women's Cooperative, and midwife Kayula at the Chilonga Mission Hospital in Zambia.

These dedicated missionaries carry the vision of Bishop Edwin Mulandu as they walk with their people and embrace their realities with action. Through the Women's Cooperative, Sr Jane supports women like Sharon whose family faces worsening drought and painful choices – selling crops for survival or feeding their children. Through this project women are gaining sustainable farming skills and resources to boost their production and generate income.

Through the Chilonga Mission Hospital, midwife Kayula meets expectant mothers like Grace, who endure dangerous journeys for medical care, only to face overcrowding, limited resources, and the heartbreaking risk of losing their baby or their own life.

With your support, the hospital can receive crucial upgrades to equipment and facilities that are required to provide women and their babies with the care and dignity they deserve.

Dear friends, as we celebrate today as Mission Sunday, let's pray and thank all the missionaries, in response to God's call, and those who have left everything behind to go far from their homeland and preach the Gospel of Jesus. Envelopes are in the church pews today for your donation - or you can scan this barcode. *Wishing you all a blessed and joyful Sunday - Fr Biju OSH, PP.*



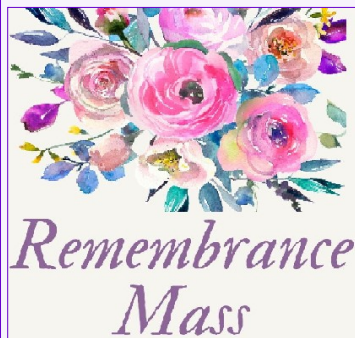
Samaritans Purse ~ Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes

have arrived and are available at the back of both St Patrick's and St Bernard's Churches.

Boxes can be returned to either church, the parish office or Louise Dryden's home. Please call Louise on 0405 556 887 for details of her address. **The date to return the Boxes is very early this year so please bring them back by Friday, 14th November to ensure they can be taken to the depot for distribution in time for Christmas.**

Thank you as always for your support, Louise.





Annual Mass of Remembrance ~ Sunday 2nd November 2025

9am: St Bernard's Berowra Heights & 10am: St Patrick's Asquith

These two Masses **are offered for all the faithful departed** no matter how long ago they gained their eternal reward, however, at these Masses we especially honour those who have passed away within the last 12 month period and our tradition is to request a family member to attend and accept a personalised candle and bookmark honouring their loved one.

If you have lost a loved one between October 2024 and September 2025, and would like them honoured at either of these Masses, please contact the parish office **before Tuesday 28 October** to provide details, thank you. (parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au / 9456 2450).



10 Days of the Rosary 2025

Last Saturday, we joyfully concluded our 10 Days of the Rosary with a beautiful procession following the 6pm Vigil Mass.

Carrying the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a large

number of parishioners joined the Rosary Procession, which began in the front courtyard of St. Patrick's, Asquith, and continued along the footpath and through the school grounds.

With passersby and motorists observing, it was inspiring to witness our faith being brought into the streets—a true expression of our call to be missionary disciples of Jesus.



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in this annual parish event, to those who adorned Our Lady's *paso* (litter) with a stunning floral arrangement, and all who came to any or all of the nightly recitations of the Rosary and those who joined the procession.

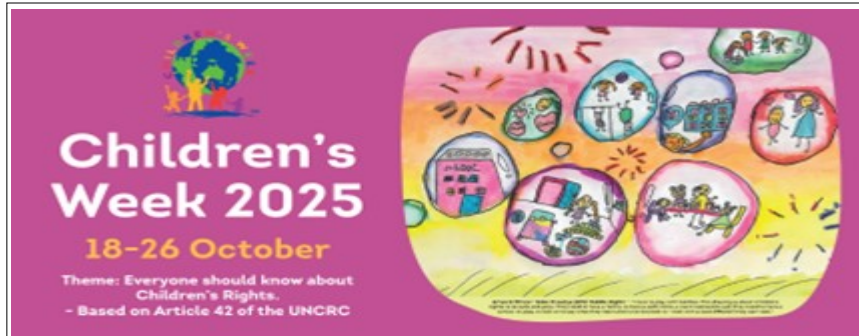
It was a beautiful and fitting tribute to Our Blessed Mother. *Ave Maria!*

Special thanks to Phil Daidone (parishioner and former PPC member) who coordinates & runs this annual event for the parish every year... God bless you Phil.



Parish Planner ~ October to December 2024

O C T	Sun, 19 October		World Mission Sunday	
	Friday 31 October	6pm to 9pm	Volunteers Thanksgiving Dinner	St Bernard's Berowra Heights
N O V E M B E R	Saturday 1 November / Sunday 2 November		All Saints Day / All Soul's Day	
	Sunday 2 November	9am	Annual Parish Remembrance Mass	St Bernard's Berowra Heights
	Sunday 2 November	10am	Annual Parish Remembrance Mass	St Patrick's Asquith
	Sunday 23 November	after 8am Mass and 10am Mass	Children's Choir Vinnies Cake Stall	St Patrick's Asquith
D E C E M B E R	Friday 12 December	7.30pm	Taizé Evening (Advent)	St Patrick's Asquith
	Wednesday 17 December	7:30pm	Second Rite of Reconciliation (Christmas)	St Bernard's Berowra Heights
	Wednesday 24 December		Christmas Eve Masses	
	Thursday 25 December		Christmas Day Masses	



National Children's Week 18 to 26 October 2025

National Children's Week is a national celebration recognising the talents, skills, achievements, and rights of children. Each year thousands of children across Australia take part in festivities that highlight the importance of children's wellbeing and participation.

In 2025, Children's Week will be held from **18 to 26 October**, with the theme:

"Everyone should know about Children's Rights."

This theme is a simplified version of Article 42 of the **UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)**:

"Parties undertake to make the principles and provisions of the Convention widely known, by appropriate and active means, to adults and children alike."

You can help by creating opportunities for children to express themselves, fostering conversations about their rights, and celebrating their gifts and contributions.

By encouraging children to have a voice and be heard, we help build communities where all children feel valued, safe, and supported.

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SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!



ATTENTION: ALL existing Junior Altar Servers from both St Patrick's and St Bernard's - This notice is for you !!

You are invited to a thank you pizza and games evening on:

Friday 24th October 2025; 5pm to 6.30pm; Parish Office, Berowra Heights.

To attend, you will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian and we ask that they reply to us on your behalf by **Tuesday 21st October** via our parish email:

parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au, thank you. I look forward to seeing you then. *Fr Biju.*



Bernie's Ladies ~ Term Four Gathering
Saturday, November 1st; 7pm—8.30pm at
Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club
(1 Lodge St, Hornsby)

Please RSVP by Monday, October 27th, either by email or MOB 0418 866 250.

[Click Here](#) to view the menu

All ladies of the entire parish are most welcome
Please feel free to invite your friends from our KCCP community.

For more details email Gen on: david@barnettsroad.com

Bernie's Ladies

is a social group who meet 4 times per year with the goal being 'To build community at our church'.



Attention Parish Volunteers:

It's time for us to ...
THANK YOU

When: Fri. 31st October 2025

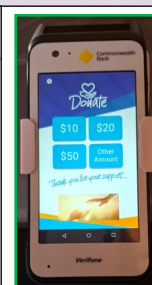
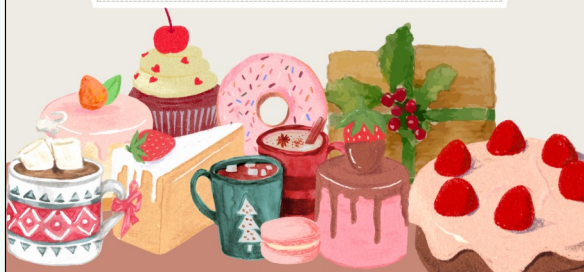
Time: 6pm-9pm;
Venue: Outside Parish Office Berowra Heights

It's that time of year again when the PPC/PFC and the few in the office get to **THANK YOU** ~ the many parish volunteers for all your acts of stewardship and ministry during 2025, so **PLEASE** accept this invitation to the Parish Volunteers Thanksgiving BBQ.

RSVP needed by NEXT FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER by emailing parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au and include any dietary requirements please.

Anyone, rostered for a parish ministry or those who regularly volunteer are invited to join me for a 'Thanksgiving Games Evening' including a lovely dinner, dessert, soft drink and tea/coffee. This will be a family friendly evening.

Please remember to email your RSVP, ASAP :)



Use our Smart Terminals to Tap 'n' Go

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

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

Thank you for your support.

THIS WEEK'S DAILY READINGS - Ordinary Time - Year C		Next Sunday's Readings: 26/10 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C	Ku-ring-gai Chase Parish Remembers & offers Prayers for...
Monday 20/10	Romans 4:20-25 Luke 12:13-21	1st Reading:	Recently Deceased: Mary Burns, Joy Mustey, Joe Pereira, Irene Buckley Anniversary: Joe Pereira (month mind), Nancy Gomez, Stanley Gomez, Patrick O'Halloran, Mary Jack, Mary Ann & Michael Weir Prayers for the sick: Chirs Enright, Marion Porter, Bozena Maria, James Maguire, Warren Beacom, Millie Wong, Ruth Carlos, Bill Holmes, Margaret Hawkins, Cita Del Rio, Pat Bowden, Patrick Dorahy, Nora Carrigan, Georgina Hughes, Chichi Datoc, Roger Okell, Rey Hilario, Paul Lam, Louise Tong, Sosefo Ali, Jonathan Thew.
Tuesday 21/10	Romans 5:12, 15, 17-21 Luke 12:35-38	Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19 Psalm: 33:2-3, 17-19, 23	
Wed/day 22/10	Romans 6:12-18 Luke 12:39-48	2nd Reading:	
Thursday 23/10	Romans 6:19-23 Luke 12:49-53	2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18	
Friday 24/10	Romans 7:18-25 Luke 12:54-59	Gospel:	
Saturday 25/10	Romans 8:1-11 Luke 13:1-9	Luke 18:9-14	

Social Seniors of KCCP
meet **Twice** per month on
Saturday afternoons between
3pm and 4.30pm. Please join us
@ **BBB** on the **2nd Saturday** &
@ **SPA** on the **4th Saturday**
Enquiries: Jerome Gomez on 0406 477 349.

Children's Liturgy: St Patrick's Asquith: 1st & 3rd Sunday of month.
Pre K-Year 6 children are invited to come along during school terms to hear the Word of God in a way they understand. Sessions run for approx. 20 mins. in the first half of Mass. *Parents welcome. Facilitators have WWCC's. Need more info? Contact Chris V: E: hushh@hotmail.com*

KCCP Children's Choir @ St Patrick's, Asquith
Sing: At 10am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month during school terms. **Practise:** Friday's of school term 4pm-5pm in the church. Ph: Patricia: 94827935
E: stpatschoir@gmail.com; W: bbcatholic.org.au/
kccp/groups-ministries/music-ministry for details.

The 250 Club! Week 13 ~ 13/10/25; Amount: \$25; Number 492; Winner: Anonymous !

Book of Genesis ~ Bible Study - with Fr Biju:
Concluding session
21st October 2025 at 7.30pm in the
Fr McMaugh Hall, St Patrick's, Asquith.

What do you believe? If you would like to explore the Christian faith as Catholics understand it, then please join us next Thursday night, Oct 23 for Session 5 of Sycamore, 7:30pm, St Patrick's Parish Meeting room (in school grounds, enter via the Royston Parade gates). *All welcome. Would you be willing to sponsor a Candidate?* For more details on becoming Catholic or a Sponsor, call Sue on 0400 300 598.

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Formation Day for Clergy and Parish Senior Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.
All Clergy, Senior Servers, and EMHC's are warmly invited to join **Bishop Anthony** for a special **Formation Day** following the release of his new Pastoral Letter, *The Mystery of Faith: Encountering Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.*
Time: 10am – 1pm
Date: Saturday 1 November,
Venue Update: **Caroline Chisholm Centre, Pennant Hills**
To register: <https://forms.office.com/r/7tzmzaCRPh>

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We set the standards!
CandL.SavvyCoffee1@gmail.com

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