

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 21st April 2019 ~ Sunday of the Resurrection

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad

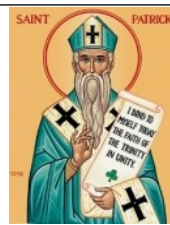
Year C: Acts 10:34,37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5: 6-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

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'



DAWN HAS BROKEN – THE SON IS RISEN

Anyone who has been up at the crack of dawn in Hobart will know of the beauty of the first hint of the sun rising.

It is a moment of anticipation.

As it was for the women hurrying to the tomb 'as the day was dawning', 'just as the sun was rising', as the gospels tell us.

What a setting of the scene! Dawn is breaking. The power of darkness is being dispelled.

The Power of Darkness which had Jesus unjustly sentenced,

the Power of Darkness which had Jesus cruelly tortured,

the Power of Darkness which had Jesus buried in the pitch-blackness of the tomb.

That Power of Darkness is being conquered by the life-giving energies of the now Risen Son.

The menacing and gloomy power of the Prince of Darkness, whose principal warrior is Death,

was vanquished by the Son-Rise of all sunrises flooding our world

and the whole of human history with divine light and energy.

Those women who had gone to the burial site with oils and spices to do loving service to the body of Jesus were inspired to understand that the empty **tomb** was, in reality, an empty **womb**.

The earth could not contain the death-annihilating new life of Jesus the Nazarene, Jesus the Christ, Jesus the Son of God.

Our world, our history was earth-quake opened and filled with the creative presence of the Risen Lord.

This is the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians, which we celebrate with bon-fire (good fire) in darkness at the entry to the Church.

From that earthly element we lit the Easter Candle, we processed in: The Exsultet was sung.

**'Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King,
let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness.'**

(continues inside)



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, and just like last year, 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.

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

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.
First Friday –	St Bernard's	
	10.30am	Adoration
	11.00am	Reconciliation
	11.30am	Healing Mass
First Friday –	St Patrick's	
	Night Vigil	7.30pm
RECONCILIATION		
Every Saturday	9.30 am	at St Patrick's
Every Friday	After 9am Mass	at St Bernard's, (except First Friday—see above)

This Week's: Readings & Prayers

EASTER TIME

Monday 22/04

Monday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the day, Gloria
Preface of Easter I, Dismissal Alleluia
Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday 23/04

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the day, Gloria
Preface of Easter I, Dismissal Alleluia
Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday 24/04

Wednesday within Octave of Easter
Mass of the day, Gloria
Preface of Easter I, Dismissal Alleluia
Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday 25/04

Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the day, Gloria
Preface of Easter I, Dismissal Alleluia
Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

Friday 26/04

Friday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the day, Gloria
Preface of Easter I, Dismissal Alleluia
Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday 20/04

Saturday within the Octave of Easter
Mass of the day, Gloria
Preface of Easter I, Dismissal Alleluia
Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

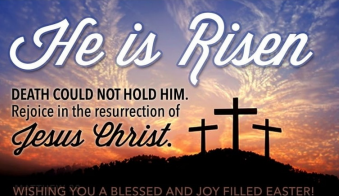
Vojtech Stranak, Eileen Leyden

ANNIVERSARIES:

Joseph Treacy, James Treacy

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Sheryl Sanchez Reyes, Rodney Porter, Maureen Cullen, Irena Fellmann, Jwona Nowak, Jennifer Hindmarsh, Elaine Longmuir, Paula McGaulley, Michael Quinn, June Eileen, Patricia Smith (Carlton), Jude Maatouk, Ramona Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson, Rosalinda de Ramos, Peter Todd, Jaz Pitts, Georgia Meyers, Angela Smith, Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker, Maureen Sharpe, Ewa Rakoz, Jean Cook, Greg Cooper, Morrie Ramsden, Betty Borg, Brian Neary, Darcy Green, Edwina Subramany, Aiko Concepcion, John Buckley, Ellen Asistente, Sam Calacoci, Barbara Jones, Arlene Joson, Alfredo De Ramos, Kath Lock, Marcelina De Ramos, Cadia Maestri, Matthew Conlon, Patrick Dorahy, John Macy, Narelle Cartwright, Dn Jim Caulfield, Tom Dawson, Mary Fernandes, Patricia Sanders, Monique Leyden, Frederick Novak, Barbara & Maciej Maciejewski, Alfredo De Ramos Sr



(from front page)

Our faith is that an earth-shattering event occurred – that the tomb carved out of the earth was unsealed by Divine Power!

That is what the women first saw, simply an empty tomb. They did not see the resurrection itself, which is nowhere described in the gospels. But they were inspired to believe that he was risen as he said. And the women went running to tell the news to the disciples.

It was **women** who were the first bearers of the message of Our Lord's victory over death, a message which they proclaimed to **men**:

men who did not believe that the **grave** injustice done to the most innocent man to walk the earth could be set right;
men who did not believe that the **deadly** violence done to the greatest exponent of non-violence could be healed;
men who did not believe that Death could be done to death.

Eventually, the men **did** believe, and we gather here today because **we** believe:

that grave injustice has been set right – and can be set right again and again
that deadly violence has been healed – and can be healed again and again
that Death **has** been done to death – and **can** be done to death again and again because the Son has risen.

'O Death, where is thy sting? O Death, where is thy victory?'

His body was transformed by the energy of Divine love.

The power of love had risen superior to the merely biological.

The power of Divine love had risen superior to death and its warriors; entropy, exhaustion and decay.

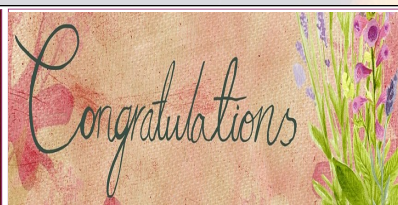
This power is not confined to the body of the Nazarene. We can, by grace, participate in the resurrection life of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

A glorious destiny awaits us, heralded on the first day of the week as dawn was breaking.

The Son was Risen, flooding our world, our history, with divine light and energy.

THE SON IS RISEN! ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

© Fr Michael Tate



and welcome to our
3 new Catholics,
Fiona, Min Yee
and Matthew (Mehdi).

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!

"Or don't you know

*that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death?
We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."* Rom 6:3-4 (NIV)

As a parish we sincerely thank our RCIA team members,
Sue, Mary, Gwen, Pauline and Susan for preparing Fiona, Min Yee and Matthew, over many months,
and to Simone, Lisa, Leny and Paul, who have supported and borne witness to their individual journeys.

Please come along to the hall after Vigil Mass to celebrate with other parishioners,
both the old and the new!!!

**If you
haven't
already
done so,
please
return your**



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**A Welcome Supper at
St Patrick's follows the
Easter Vigil Mass.**

All are welcome to come along
with a plate to share as we
celebrate the Risen Lord and
congratulate our 3 new Catholics,
Fiona, Ming Yee and Matthew.

*please
join us*

Easter will begin with a
Sizzle at SBB,
a Sausage Sizzle that is!
Easter Vigil at St Bernard's
will conclude with a BBQ.
Please bring along a plate to share
but the usual **Sausage Sanga'**
will be on offer to all.



WEEKENDS COLLECTIONS

It is the **2nd Collection** which is **ESSENTIAL** for our **PARISH** to
FUNCTION FINANCIALLY

and is used to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance,
telecommunications, pastoral programmes, church and office expenses, wages, Priests' petrol etc.

The 1st Collection: goes to a common fund **outside the Parish** to support priests.





Divine Mercy Novena at St. Bernard's Church Berowra

Join us for the Divine Mercy Novena over 9 days commencing on Good Friday. Jesus promised to St. Faustina:

By this novena, I will grant every possible grace to souls (Diary, 796).

The Novena is prayed from Good Friday to the day before Divine Mercy Sunday. You are welcome to pray on your own, with your family, or join us at the Church.

Public recitation of the Novena will be:

Good Friday: (Adoration of the Cross 3pm) - Divine Mercy Novena begins immediately after

Easter Saturday: 6.30pm (directly before Easter Vigil)

Easter Sunday~Easter Monday~Tuesday~Wednesday~Thursday~Friday: 7pm

Saturday: immediately after Vigil Mass

Vigil Mass [27 April]: for Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated at 5pm



Fr Shaju will be quick out of the barrier on Tuesday, straight onto a plane to India and into the loving arms of his Mum very soon afterwards.

We will miss you Father, but don't worry about us, we will make our own fun with Fr Joy while you're away!

Our wonderful Assistant Priest, Fr Joy Thomas, has been appointed as Parish Administrator during Fr Shaju's absence from 23 April to 3 July 2019.

A word from Fr Shaju: *Shortly, I will leave you for a small period of time, which will partly involve a private pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Please know that I take each of you with me in spirit and will pray for your needs and intentions during this time.*

I will not forget my people. Fr Shaju.

A bit of Easter fun with an 'Extract from a Homily by Richard Leonard SJ'

A man was driving along the road when he saw the Easter Bunny hop into his lane. He swerved to avoid hitting the bunny, but couldn't do so. The basket of eggs went everywhere. The driver felt guilty and began to cry. A woman saw the man and pulled over. 'What's wrong?' she asked. 'I accidentally killed the Easter Bunny', he explained. The woman knew exactly what to do. She went to her car, pulled out a spray can, walked over to the bunny, and sprayed the entire contents over the little furry animal. Miraculously the Easter Bunny came back to life, jumped up, picked up his eggs, waved at them and hopped on down the road. Not far away the Easter Bunny stopped, turned around and waved again. He kept doing this for as far as they could see. The man was astonished. 'What in heaven's name is in that can you sprayed on the Easter Bunny?' The woman showed the man the label. It said:

'Hair spray. Restores life to dead hair. Adds permanent wave.'



Becoming Catholic – a year round process! You may have been following the journey of our new Catholics who were Baptised at the Easter Vigil this weekend!

Where you there, when Fiona, Min Yee & Matthew said 'Yes' to the Lord?

Have you thought about becoming a Catholic yourself, but have questions or doubts?

We can help you find the answers and more!

As you journey through this process, you move gradually from meeting a small group of parishioners into the wider community of Sunday Mass, then initiation into the life of the Church.

There may also be other people who join us each Sunday

who are finding their way into our community from another Christian Tradition.

Still others emerge who have been Baptised but never truly been part of a Christian community.

If you are someone interested in finding out more, or know someone who is, then please make contact with the Parish Office on 9456 2450, or call Sue on 0400 300 598.

Any time of year is a good time to enquire! Why not make it now!



Many thanks to all parish musicians for bringing such beauty and inspiration to all our parish Holy Week and Easter liturgies! Thanks for your assiduous rehearsing and your extraordinary efforts at each event, and your great generosity in sharing your gifts. **We're very blessed to have you!**

Children's Choir at St Patrick's is in recess over the school holidays, and will resume regular practices on Friday 3rd May at 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. All singers from Year 3 and up very welcome at any time. The Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays each month.

Cherubs Choir for Kinder to Year 2 children did extremely well on their debut at Palm Sunday Mass! We can look forward to a great future for this expanding group!

Practices will resume on Tuesday 30th April, at 8.15-8.45am in St Patrick's church.

New singers very welcome!

Enquiries on any of the above to: Patricia Smith 9482 7935 or come along to our next practice.

Pope's intention for APRIL



Workers in War Zones

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



Safeguarding

A culture of Safeguarding values **COMMITMENT....**

"Speak out and judge fairly, defend the rights of the poor and needy." - see Proverbs 31:9

Here are the winners of the hugely successful KCCP Youth Easter Raffle



1. Maria Rossi
2. Paul Mathew
3. Mani Subramani
4. Angela (who has since donated her basket to a needy SVdP family)
5. Justin Berry
6. Lorraine Smith
7. Zinta Hartmann
8. Barbara McMullen

Thank you to all who supported this initiative which has raised a

whopping \$1420.00,

to support the KCCP Youth Group.



ANZAC Day Thursday 25 April

~ 8am Mass

St Bernard's

Berowra Hts

~ 9am Mass

St Patrick's

Asquith

As we gather each year to commemorate that first **ANZAC Day** in 1915

and all it has come to mean for our nation; as we pray for eternal life for those who have died in service of this country and in the hope of a better future; as we intercede, likewise, for the injured and the grieving and those presently in harm's way; so also we pray never to be tested as they were tested and never to romanticise what tested them.

We pray that if and when the hour comes that 'our soul is troubled' (Jn 12:27), as theirs was,

that we shall prove worthy of them and of the country for which they fought.

When our time comes, may we be glorified as Christ was, and as were all His own: not by worldly triumphs but by the victory which is holding fast to what is true and good and beautiful, standing by your mates, your family, your country and your character.

Extract from edited text of the homily of Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP at the ANZAC Day Vigil Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, on 24/4/17.



1 of 2 ANZAC soldiers: Sydney's ANZAC Bridge. Sculptor: Alan Somerville Photo Giovanni Portelli

Ode of Remembrance

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

Lest we forget

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 27/28 April—2nd Sunday of Easter—Year C

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE

Acts 5:12-16; Apoc 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31



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

St Bernard's Church

St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)

	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
	Fr Joy	Fr Satheesh	Fr Satheesh	Fr Joy	Fr Joy	Fr Satheesh
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Barbara McMullen	Mani Subramany	Malcolm Cross	Francis & Cristina	Vincente Sanchez
Server	Karina Bednarz Molly Summerhayes Jake Williams	Otylia Chylewska Zinta Hartman Matthius McLoughlin	Jessica Pennings	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young Jimmy O'Connor	Lucy Triantafilis Madeleine Drake Chloe Thomas Jake D Rionah Gonsalves	Ellen Rawsthorn
Reader	Justin Berry	Peter Collins Denise Harant	Sue Lum Sue Watts	David De-Fina Clarissa Baptista	Mary Stokes Sandra Maloney	Chris Newnham Sue Newnham
Children's Liturgy	School Holiday Recess.- May 5, 2019 –Jackie T.		School Holiday Recess. Then May 5, 2019— Cathryn C. & Cristina G.			
Communion to Sick	Kerrin Enright		Penny Loughland, Janette O'Brien			
Sacristy Care/Church Cleaning/Flowers	Cecilia Waite (f), Ning Biyo, Reese Nguyen, Peter Nguyen, Gwen Wood(s).		Scott Smith, Maria Hon (f), Winston Rodrigues, Antony Davis			
Maintenance	Both teams A & B		April: Patrick Dias, Grace & Milen Kurishingal			
Counters	Barbara McMullen, Ann Hard, David Funk		Les Fogden, Alan Henson, Paul Worthington, Domingos Fernandes.			

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*.

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

Rosary	After weekday Masses both Churches
Visit Housebound	Fr Shaju John & Fr Joy Thomas 9456 2450
Urgent sick calls	Fr Shaju John 9456 7010 (Presbytery) Fr Joy Thomas 9476 8843 (Presbytery)
Nursing Home Visits	By request
Clergy Days Off	Fr Shaju John — Monday Fr Joy Thomas — Tuesday
Home Visits	For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests Please call the Office 9456 2450
HOSPITAL ADMISSION:	
If you are admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services.	
<i>Be sure to notify the Pastoral Centre if hospitalised and you would like our own priests to attend.</i>	

LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

◇	20—26th April: Divine Mercy Novena 7pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Bernard's, Berowra Heights
◇	ANZAC DAY—25 April, 2019—Morning masses at the usual time
ON THE NOTICEBOARD—full details of:	
◇	Insights into Catholic Social Justice: Sat.25 May 10am-12md Chatswood. "From Scripture to Pope Francis: Church Tradition and the Call to Justice".
◇	Wine & Cheese evening for Married Couples: 27 April, Pennant Hills
◇	Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28, St Agatha's Pennant Hills
◇	[Weekly] Life Marriage & Family Notice from the DBB
POSITIONS VACANT—within the Diocese of Broken Bay:	
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