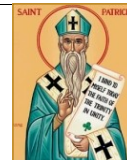
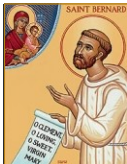


'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus'

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 22nd January 2023 ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A
Is 8:23 - 9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23



Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Alleluia Verse: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

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'



This Thursday,
26 January 2023, is
Australia Day here in Oz, and
Republic Day over in India ~
home of our wonderful priests.

**Please join us for Mass,
9am,
St Patrick's, Asquith.**

We bless you, God of the universe, for this land, for its contrasts of landscape and climate, for its abundance of wealth and opportunity. We bless you for our history, with all its struggle in adversity, its courage and hope. Give us in our diversity, tolerance and respect for each other and a passionate commitment to justice for all. Bless us so that we might be a blessing to others. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Recently I was shocked by a Catholic woman who told me she didn't care very much for her local Bishop. She enumerated the many faults and failings of her diocese and its leader and then highly praised Pope John Paul II. It's hard to argue with her admiration of the Pope, but unknowingly, she was falling into the same trap to which the community at Corinth was prey. Unfortunately, my acquaintance thought that her Catholic identity primarily came from her communion with the Bishop of Rome. She felt she could bypass her local bishop, 'because he's too trendy', and 'deal direct' with the Pope. She told me she saw the Pope as her bishop.

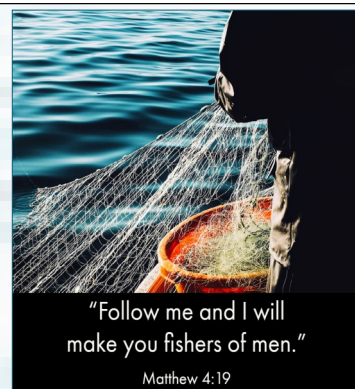
The problem with her position is that it is not Catholic! All of us in the Church are called to pray for, support and follow the lead of the Holy Father. But our Catholic identity comes from our communion with our local church, in and through its bishop, who is in turn, in communion with the Bishop of Rome. This is what the five-yearly ad limina visits are all about: a brother bishop sharing with the Pope the graces and challenges in his local Church and reaffirming the Catholic faith that unites all of us as members of the same universal Church.

Soon after Jesus called the apostles, disputes broke out among them. We know from the whole of the New Testament that there were serious disagreements between the earliest leaders in the Church. Their different temperaments and missions led to several misunderstandings. What St Paul found in Corinth, however, was a fractured Church, pleading allegiances to different leaders over and against Jesus. He teaches the Corinthians a critical lesson in being Church: we are all one under Jesus' leadership. Christ is the head of the Church. Within ancient and clear limits the Church has a wonderful diversity, a plurality of expression, emphasis and culture.

It's always been like this. It means the Church is taking seriously its role of finding Christ in every place and every community in the world. The moment we pit one local Church against the other ('I prefer the Pope to my bishop') we lose the Catholic communion in Christ Jesus which holds us together.

Paul tells us preaching the Cross of Jesus is the mission of the Church. Jesus shows us in today's Gospel that teaching, preaching and healing are the hallmarks of his ministry. And the same should hold for us. No matter how differently any local church might develop, the Bishop of Rome confirms in the faith Bishops who continue to preach Christ crucified, teach in Christ's name, heal the sick and reconcile the estranged.

That's what makes us Catholic and why today we need to listen again and very carefully, to Paul's admonition, 'I beg you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and purpose.' To the degree to which we live this out in our communion with our local successor to the Apostles, the more chance all members of the Church have to use the energy and gifts given at baptism to do what Christ wants of the Church: to change the world for good and be a beacon of the saving Christ's gifts – **faith, hope and charity.**



"Follow me and I will
make you fishers of men."

Matthew 4:19

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS ~ How the funds are administered ...

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

2nd Collection: **STAYS** in the parish to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance, telecommunications, wages, pastoral programmes, church and office expenses, the Priests' cars & petrol etc, etc and is **ESSENTIAL** for our **PARISH** to **FUNCTION FINANCIALLY**



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RECONCILIATION: Fridays: 9.30am at St Bernard's Berowra; Saturdays: 9.30 am at St Patrick's, Asquith
WEEKEND MASSES: St Bernard's, Berowra Heights: Saturday Vigil 5pm and Sunday 9am
St Patrick's, Asquith: Saturday Vigil 6pm and Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm
WEEKDAY MASSES: St Bernard's, Berowra Heights: 9am Wednesday & Friday
St Patrick's, Asquith: 9am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday



**The Parish Office is essentially
CLOSED until
Monday 30 January 2023.**

For **urgent assistance only** please
E: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au
(monitored regularly for urgent matters only).
Or, phone 9456 2450 and leave a message. This
will be converted into an audio message and sent
as an email to the office. **REMEMBER: If in
URGENT NEED ONLY of a priest, call: 0468 341 841.**


ROSTERS & READINGS FOR W/end – 28th/29th January 2023 - 4th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A - Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12


	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	Volunteer now	Volunteer now	Francis Lizardo	Sue Lum	Darrin Patterson
Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Andrew McLoughlin Bronte Tonkin	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Volunteer now Volunteer now	Lucy Henao Vila Joshua Telford	Volunteer now Volunteer now
Reader (1)	Sophia Smith	Freya Tonkin	Celia Cox	Vivienne Schreiber	David De-Fina	Les Fogden
Reader (2)	Anne Maree Hutchins	Peta Tonkin	Penny Loughland	Russell Schreiber	Jo Quinlan	Mary Stokes
Sacristy/Cleaning/Flowers	Paul Waite, Sarah Jane Sibelja, Cecilia Waite (f), (s) volunteer needed.		Sue O'Malley, Mary O'Malley, John & Sue O'Malley, Fiona Fone (f)			
Maintenance	Teams A & B (help always needed)		January: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow			


LITURGICAL SERVICES & PASTORAL CARE

Rosary After weekday Masses both Churches
Visits to Housebound Dr Biju & Fr Joy - 9456 2450
Nursing Home Visits By request
Emergency Priest 0468 341 841 (Out of office hours only)
Clergy Days Off Dr Biju – Monday Fr Joy – Tuesday
Home Visits For Masses, House Blessings & Pastoral Requests. Please phone the office 9456 2450.
HOSPITAL ADMISSION: If you are admitted to hospital, please write down your religion as Catholic to receive Catholic Services.
 Please notify the Parish Office, if hospitalised and would like our own priests to attend.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patricia O'Malley, Bill Healy, Mark Formby, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Cardinal George Pell.
ANNIVERSARIES: Maria Lombardo, Assunta Fraietta
SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Those suffering from Covid-19 - that it is contained and eliminated as a health risk.
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Yvonne Graham, Garth Graham, Isabel Henson, Judy Farrell, Chichi Dato, Ann Leslie, Georgina Hughes, Mary Burns, Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, Jean Cook, Barbara Jones, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, Brian Treacy, John Cosgrove (Snr), Patrick O'Donoghue, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, Marie Haag, Elaine Longmuir.
Please NOTE WELL: It is our practise during January, to delete names from the Sick list whose situation hasn't been updated. To reinstate a name, please contact the office via email: parishkccp@bbccatholic.org.au

 **Pope's intention for January: For educators:** We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all. brothers and sisters in the human family.

 **Are you travelling this New Year?**
 You are important to us and so we ask you to take special care when travelling over the New Year ~ School Holiday period. Enjoy your break away but please return to us safely.

 We the people of the **Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay and in Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish**, are committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.

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