

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH -

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 22 October 2023 ~ 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time ~ Year A

Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5 ; Mt 22:15-21



Entrance: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Responsorial Psalm: Give the Lord glory and honour.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death to keep them alive in famine.

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
0468 341 841

(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.

My dear parishioners,

This Sunday we celebrate the World Mission Day. Inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus, in the gospel of Luke (24,13-35), Pope Francis has taken a beautiful theme, **"Hearts on fire, feet on the move"**.

Those two disciples were confused and dismayed because of the death of Jesus, in whom they had believed. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them and talked with them. Later, he was with them at the table where he broke the bread and gave it to them. Their encounter with Risen Christ in the word and in the breaking of the bread sparked in them the enthusiastic desire to set out again towards Jerusalem and proclaim that the Lord has truly risen. This setting out is to share with others the joy of meeting the Lord. Those who meet Jesus would be filled the heart and the whole life with the joy of the gospel (*Evangelii Gaudium* 1).

No one can remain neutral after he or she met God in the depth of his being. There are so many examples in the gospels such as Magi, Mary Magdalene, Levi, Paul...however, one cannot truly encounter the Risen Christ without being set on fire with enthusiasm to tell everyone about him. So, the primary and principal resources of the mission are those persons who have come to know the Risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist.

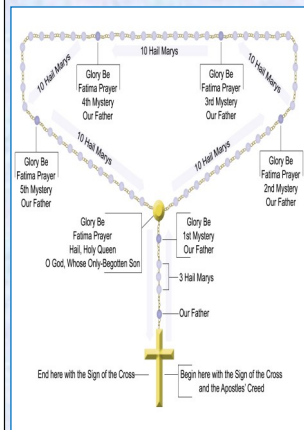
A cold heart can never make others hearts burn!

As people of God, our mission is to witness to the love of God amid the whole human family. No one is excluded from this responsibility, and it is our shared mission. Like Emmaus disciples let us be sparked the enthusiastic desire to set out to share with others the joy of the gospel. I invite you all to contribute to this missionary movement with your prayers and activities, with material offerings and the offering of our sufferings, and with our personal witness. I wish you all a very beautiful Mission Sunday! **Fr Biju**



October is 'Rosary Month': The twenty mysteries of The Rosary are divided into four groups, known as 'The Joyful', 'The Sorrowful', 'The Luminous' & 'The Glorious Mysteries'.

To pray the Rosary, follow the diagram & work anti-clockwise from the cross



The Apostles' Creed: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord; who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. **Amen.**

Glory Be: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. **Amen.**

Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Thy Mercy. **Amen.**

Hail Holy Queen (Salve Regina): Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy; hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Concluding Prayers: O God, whose only-begotten Son, by His life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ Our Lord. **Amen.** Originally published by the Catholic Enquiry Centre. Updated for the National Office for Evangelisation (2007).

Our Blessed Mother will always intercede on our behalf to her Son whenever we pray the Rosary.

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

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Diocese of Broken Bay Australia

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'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 October:

For the Synod
We pray for the Church,

that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year A

Monday 23/10

Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday 24/10

Rom 5:12, 15, 17-21; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday 25/10

Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday 26/10

Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53

Friday 27/10

Rom 7:18-25; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday 28/10 ~ Feast

Sts Simon and Jude, apostles
Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Perla Domondon Brown, Rev Jan Szaikowski, Bob Hawkins, Jean Cook, Mariam Christina Gomez.

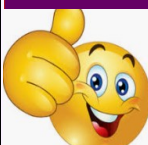
ANNIVERSARY:

Patrick O'Halloran, Nancy Gomez

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Bill Holmes, Adele Ramos, 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, Brian Treacy, Josef, Marie Haag, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, John Cosgrove (Snr), Patrick O'Donoghue, Elaine Longmuir.

The 250 Club!



Week 13 ~

16/10/23;

Winning #: 295

Amt: \$25.00

Winner: Luisa Gomez

Woohoo! We have yet another new "Join-ee" !!

Some important dates

Sunday 22 October



Tuesday 31 October



Thursday 2 November



Friday 3 November



Throughout November



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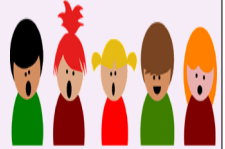


SAVE THESE DATES

worth noting in your diary

Choir Games TODAY - THIS SUNDAY, 22 October, St Patrick's Church.

Young singers from Year 2 to Year 12, it's not too late to take part in the choir event of the year! Registration (\$5 per singer) opens at 12.30pm outside the church, and rehearsals and workshops begin immediately after. Bring your friends for lots of fun singing and games.



The competition itself begins at 3pm, so parents and families and neighbours should arrive then, ready to support their favourite choir. See flyers at the back of the church or download at: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp/groups-ministries/music-ministry>

Holy Rosary for peace in the world - in front of the Statue of our Blessed Mother at St Bernard's ~ Tuesday 31 October 10am.

Everyone is invited to join with me on the last day of October (Tuesday 31st), to pray the Rosary at 10am in front of our recently installed Statue of Our Lady at Berowra Heights. At the conclusion of this prayerful gathering you are welcome to stay for morning tea and I would ask that you kindly bring along a plate to share. I hope many parishioners will join me as we ask our Blessed Mother to intercede on our behalf to achieve peace in the world and especially in the Ukraine / Middle East.



All Souls Day ~ Prayer Service at Brooklyn Cemetery at 11am ~ All Souls Day is the day when all souls of the faithful departed are remembered, honoured and prayed for by all members of the Catholic Faith worldwide.

This year; as a representative cemetery of those in which our loved ones rest; I have decided to hold a **Prayer Service at Brooklyn Cemetery** where we will come together to pray for the souls of our own parishioners and also for the souls of onetime residents on Peat Island who may not have anyone to pray for them. After the prayer service and blessing of the graves you may wish to wander down to King Tide Café on the Brooklyn Marina (owned and run by the Griffith family of our parish) to purchase and enjoy a wonderful coffee by the river. *Fr Biju.*

WHOLE PARISH Volunteers Thanksgiving event at St Bernard's Berowra Heights.

This annual event has once again been arranged for November and will take place on Friday 3rd from 6pm to 9pm. This year it will be held at the northern end of the parish at St Bernard's. If you are rostered on for a parish ministry, or regularly volunteer to help out, please note your diary with this date so that Fr Joy and I may thank you personally for your acts of stewardship and ministry during 2023. More information will follow. *Fr Biju*

Book of Remembrance As in previous years a **Book of Remembrance** will be placed in each Church during the month of November.

Envelopes are now available in both churches for your use. Please **print names clearly** and **place your offering** inside the envelope, then place **on either collection plate** at Mass.

The names of your deceased family members and friends will then be printed out and placed into the books on a weekly basis, where they will be remembered in a special way during November Masses at St Patrick's and St Bernard's Churches in our parish of Ku-ring-gai Chase.

Music Scholarships: Our parish is offering two scholarships to young people who are willing to commit to our music ministry on a regular basis (at least twice per month during Feb. to Dec.) - plus personal practice time. Scholarship money is paid towards music lessons or resources.

In 2023, scholarships are being offered in Keyboard. Some previous experience and training is required. Please contact the parish office for application forms. Interviews for prospective candidates will be held in December. **Email: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au by 30 Nov. 2023.**

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:

158 Financial blocks (7 NEW Subscribers) (thank you so much for your ongoing support)

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

62 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.



Just two (2) more weeks remain to return your ... Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The date to return Boxes is very early this year so please bring them back by **Sunday, 5th November 2023.**

- ◇ Boxes can be returned to either church, the parish office or Louise Dryden's home.
- ◇ Please call 0405 556 887 for details of address.
- ◇ Empty boxes are still available at the back of both our Churches.

Thank you as always for your support, Louise.

Return to God (October 18, 2020)

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Today we see Pharisees send out their disciples - along with King Herod's men. **Why?** To entrap Jesus.

They start with some flattery: **"Teacher...you are a truthful man...not concerned about anyone's opinion...or status."**

Then they spring a gotcha question:

"Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?"

If Jesus says **"yes"** he discredits himself as a Roman sympathizer. On the other hand, if he says **"no"** Herod's men will report him to the authorities.

So Jesus asks to see a coin. Interesting, he doesn't have one. Holding up the coin, he asks **"Whose image is this and whose inscription?"** The image shows Emperor Tiberius Caesar and the inscription says Caesar is **"the high priest...the son of the god Augustus"**. Remember, the Bible prohibits making images to false gods. So, don't worship Caesar. But Jesus does say, **"repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar"**. We have certain duties to Caesar, to the government: **don't cheat on your taxes, obey legitimate laws, vote.**

Jesus, however, adds **"and to God what belongs to God"**. **What does belong to God?** Well, if Caesar's image is on the coin, where do we find God's image?

The Bible gives us the answer: **"God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them."** (Gen 1:27) God stamps his image on each human being. That's the basis for human equality. I know people who are smarter than me, stronger than me, better looking than me. On a human level we are wildly unequal.

Aristotle who is called the **"father of the scientific method"** thought that some people are natural masters and others are natural slaves. If I lived in Aristotle's world, I'd probably be in the latter category. Thanks be to God, our civilization not only comes from Athens where Aristotle lived. It also comes from Jerusalem. From the Bible we learn the fundamental dignity we share because God made us in his image.

So, repay to God what belongs to God. We repay our children to God. Ultimately they are not ours. They don't belong to us in an absolute sense. They belong to God because he imprinted his image on them.

Two weeks ago we heard about a 15-year-old boy who repaid his soul to God: Blessed Carlo Acutis. Like all young people he had to discover his purpose. He stated it simply, **"To always be close to Jesus, that's my plan."**

You know, we bear God's image but we have scarred that image. **Only one bears it perfectly: Jesus.** That's why we must return to him - and stay close to him.

With Jesus we can realize the purpose of our lives: Yes, be a good citizen, but most important, recognize the image of God within and return to God: **"repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."**

Amen. <https://sundaymassreadings.org/homilies-29th-sunday-of-year-a/#fr-phil-bloom>

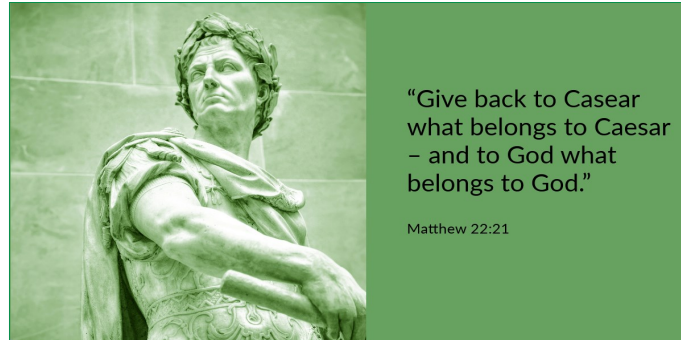
Our latest 250 Club "join-ee" asked ~ "How does the 250 Club work?" ~ So we've decided to tell you all !

There are two Series per year. For a \$20 outlay per series (paid in advance) you get 4 consecutive numbers.

- ♥ Series 1 runs from approximately February to June and Series 2 runs from approximately August to December.
- ♥ Each series is over a 20 week period and your outlay is just \$1 per week.
- ♥ Each series gives you **16 chances to win \$25.00** and on weeks 5, 10, 15 & 20 you have **the chance to win \$500!**

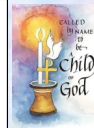
NB: Payouts can only be made to financial members so please if you have numbers and are unsure if you are financial, call the office to make sure. And if you don't have numbers, call today to subscribe and get on board.

NB: Winning numbers are taken from the last 3 numbers of the winning ticket in the Lucky Lotteries Super Jackpot each Monday (or the closest drawer after the Monday) each week.



"Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God."

Matthew 22:21



Welcome to our Faith Family

Baptism congratulations to Dalton Nichols-Wilson

who is to be baptised this weekend.

Please keep him, his parents and Godparents in your prayers.



Mission Sunday annual appeal is THIS Sunday 22 October.

This appeal will aid Sr Carolina and the

Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale.

Donations must be placed in an envelope provided in the pews today and can be placed on either plate at any Mass. *Thanks.*

The Synod 2021-2023



The Synod is first and foremost an event of prayer and listening to each other. Please keep all Synodal

Members, especially Bishop Anthony Randazzo and Mrs Kelly Paget in our prayers as they work with others towards a Synodal Church of Communion, Participation and Mission.



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

is officially inviting everyone in the parish, young and

older, families and friends, to the parish Children's Choir Games!

This unparalleled event is being held this Sunday, 22nd October, in St Patrick's church, beginning

at 3pm. Come along and cheer for your favourite choir, see who is voted Best Choir, listen to

some fascinating and talented musicians, and enjoy a fabulous afternoon tea afterwards!

Don't miss it! **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.

Last weekend our four pilgrims spoke eloquently of their experiences during **World Youth Day 2023** and we thank them for the beautiful image (on ceramic) of Our Lady of Fatima, which is now hanging in the Priests Vestry at SPA.



May your lives be ever richer and your faith ever deeper for the experience of witnessing the power of God's presence in your lives. May this experience magnify the greatness of the Lord in all you do in your futures.

Rosters & Readings for Weekend – 28 Oct. / 29 Oct. 2023 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A – Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thess 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Acolyte / Snr Server	Matthew Waite	Paul Dryden	Mani Subramany,	Francis Lizardo	Malcolm Cross	Sue Lum
Altar Servers Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Sophia Cottrell Bronte Tonkin	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Catherine Mooney Joshua Telford	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed
Reader (1)	Celia Cox	Denise Harant	Miguel Do Rego	Jim Fitzgerald	Elizabeth Fernandes	Mary Stokes
Reader (2)	Mary Dorahy	Freya Tonkin	Hayley Rodrigues	Michael Halliday	Simone Noel	Les Fogden
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Paul Waite, Cecilia Waite (f), G C Brenda Brooks (s)		Meralyn Tarte. Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Michelle Hwang(f), Leticia Wee Michelle Blanco			
Maintenance	Teams A & B (help always needed & appreciated)		October: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow (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*.



We have a new Welcome and Hospitality ministry and are seeking more folk to join those already on board, because **the more we have the easier the role and smaller the commitment.**

Please email parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au or call 9456 2450 to be put in contact with our 2 coordinators - Pat Smith (SPA) & Elaine D'Souza (SBB).

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Corpus Christi Parish - Praise & Worship Fundraiser ~ for priest's presbytery/office build & 70 years as a parish ~ 5 Nov 2023, 2-4pm. Singing, community building, snacks/drinks, incredible raffle. Please join us.



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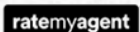
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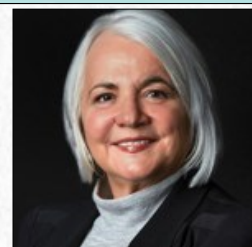
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