

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Entrance Antiphon: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;

happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) Year C Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20: 19-31

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 Bernard's 8am Mon, Tues, Thurs 9am Wed and Fri St Patrick's 8am Wed and Fri 9am Mon, Tues, Thurs

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.

He loves us just as we are

The apostles locked themselves in an attic for fear of Jewish reprisals. Even after Mary Magdalene came running from the empty tomb announcing that she had seen the Lord, they stayed locked in. They were afraid that what had been done to Jesus could be done to them. The turning point came when Jesus himself appeared right among them and helped them over their fear. He breathed the Holy Spirit into them, filling them new energy and hope, giving them a share in his mission.

"As the Father sent me, so am I sending you."

In the power of the Spirit they got their courage back and left their self-imposed prison, to bear witness to the life and message of Jesus. This is the picture of the disciples that Luke gives us in today's reading from Acts. He describes a community of believers, the church, witnessing to the resurrection both in word and by the quality of their living.



Perhaps we are sometimes like those disciples, locked within ourselves, inactive, unwilling to take any initiative. The "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune" may have dampened our faith. Like the disciples after the death of Christ, we may have abandoned our faith journey, unable to see the way forward. The experience of past failures make us hesitate to try again. Even another Christian full of enthusiasm and hope, like a Mary Magdalene, can be kept at bay. "Let them get on with it," we say, while we hold back and stay safe. Today's gospel suggests a way out of such confinement. The Lord himself will find another way to draw us into freedom. No locked doors, nor even locked hearts, can keep him out.

At first, the apostles doubted that Mary Magdalene had met Jesus. Later on, Thomas refused to believe that the others had seen him either. He needed tangible proofs, definite and demonstrable. Unless he saw with his own eyes, he would not believe. Jesus gave him the proof he needed. "Put your finger here," he said, "and feel my wounds." He forgives our fears and doubts, and finds us right where we are. We need to say in our turn, "My Lord and my God."

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

2nd Sunday of Easter Year C

Monday 25/04 ~ ANZAC Day Wis 3:1-9 or Is 9:1-6 1 Cor 1:18-25; Eph 2:13-18 Jn 12:23-28 or Jn 14:23-29

Tuesday 26/04 ~ Feast St Mark, evangelist 1 Pet 5:5-14; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday 27/04 Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday 28/04 ~ Memorial St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

Friday 29/04 ~ Memorial St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

> Saturday 30/04 Acts 6:1-7; Jn 16-21

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Bonnici, Andrew Italiano, Peter Brooks, Marion Berry, Fr John Worthington SM, Catharina (Cathy) Reemst. ANNIVERSARIES:

Peter O'Halloran; Alfredo De Ramos, All those who have given their lives in the service of their country.

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE

SICK: For those suffering from Covid-19 - that it will brought under control and eliminated as a health risk for all.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Georgina Hughes, Jeanette Bakker, Mary Burns, 'Roy', Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, Roger Okell, Barbara Jones, Jean Cook, Patrick O'Donoghue, Brian Treacy, Tom Dawson, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, John Cosgrove (Snr), Josef, Marie Haag, Elaine Longmuir, Sally Agnew.

Congratulations to our latest Nonagenarian!

Patrick (Pat) O'Donoghue who turned 90! on Easter Monday. Our birthday prayer for you Pat is that your continued journey with us be filled with happiness, joy, health and peace.

The 250 club!

Week 10: 18/04/22; Winning No: 617; Amt: \$500; Winner: Unsubscribed What a shame, \$500 could have been yours if only you had invested in a \$25 outlay! Don't delay, contact the office to purchase a number block today!



there will be ONE Morning Mass only on weekdays until Saturday 2 July ~ being....

9am at St Patrick's Asquith ~ Monday-Tuesday-Thursday 9am at St Bernard's Berowra Heights ~ Wednesday-Friday.

Please Note: There will be **no change to weekend Masses**



PLEASE NOTE

Schedule

Change

G'day and a warm welcome to Fr Eliseus & Fr John of Manly-Freshwater Parish who will be staying in the Asquith Presbytery to cover weekday and weekend

Masses for the next two weeks and to Fr Martins Aloga from Batemans Bay Parish who will be assisting with weekend Masses as per the following schedule.

9am Weekday & Saturday morning Masses	Thurs. 21st April to Frid	Fr Eliseus Shin		
	Saturday 30th April to Wednesday 4 May		Fr John Puliparambil	
Weekend Masses	23rd / 24th April	Fr Eliseus Shin and Fr Martins Aloga		
Weekend Masses	30th April / 1st May	Fr John Puliparambil and Fr Martins Aloga		
Weekend Masses	7th / 8th May	Fr Joy Thomas and Fr John Puliparambil		



He is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Thank you to each and every one of our volunteers

who gave so fully of themselves to ensure we all could celebrate Easter with worthy spirit.

As a Parish Community, we acknowledge those who took leadership in our liturgical ministries, ensuring the 'new' life of Easter could flow to all.

We start by recognising the wonderful preparation of our churches by cleaners decorators and maintenance volunteers in readiness for our gifted floral artists. Our churches were sparkling, both inside and out.

Much appreciation and esteem must go to all our readers, servers and our uniquely talented music ministry for their expertise during each part of our Easter Triduum which added such spiritual depth and inspiration to our celebrations.

And to everyone of our parishioners, yes you!

Thank you for being present and making this Easter truly and faithfully life giving.

So far names have been avoided, but it would be remiss if we did not name and give thanks to Dn Adrian for assisting at some of the Liturgies and sincere and heartfelt thanks to our wonderful priests, Fr Shaju and Fr Joy for their sincere reverence, making the Easter message meaningful and tangible to all and showing us the full hope in the risen Lord.



Xu-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish Congratulates Charlotte Smith & Hunter Smith

who were

Zaptised in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit. Nourished with The Body and Blood of Christ.

at the Easter Vigil Mass~ 16th April 2022



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, Fr Shaju.



Tap n Go donation points available in both Churches. All taps are set to \$10. Thank you for your support through these devices.



You are invited to join the celebrations for *Divine Mercy Sunday (today) 24 April at*

St Agatha's Pennant Hills, between 1:30pm and 4pm, including Reconciliation (NB: Reconciliation starts at 1pm), Mass at 2pm, Benediction, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image.

"Tell the whole world of My great mercy ... mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy." (Jesus to St Faustina) Enquiries: Greg 0419 228 199

Vox Populi - the Voice of the People - 20 April 2022

The celebration of Easter has ony just begun!

It often feels like we spend forty days of Lent reflecting and searching our souls and preparing for Easter.

The practices of Lent are a powerful witness of our faith. But then on Easter Sunday we celebrate Easter as if it just a single day. One day after 40 would surely be anticlimactic.

However we know it really is not just one day, albeit a glorious day, when we proclaim Christ is Risen. In actual fact Easter is 50 days. That is 50 days which should be celebrated as a single joyful feast.

We are now into Eastertide which is Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday.

Jesus wasn't in a rush to ascend. He spent time with his disciples and preparing them for Pentecost and we should spend time celebrating His resurrection, a time which changed everything.

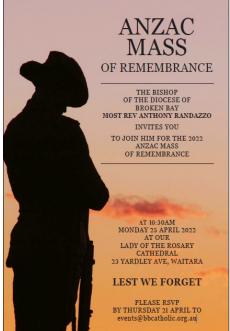
The Church celebrates this season in very specific ways.

The priest wears white or gold vestments all through the season. Also throughout the Easter season the Paschal or Easter candle, which is an image of the Risen Christ, remains on the altar and is lit at every Mass.

The Easter season also has several "divisions": Easter Sunday, Easter Octave, Divine Mercy Sunday (this coming Sunday), Solemnity of the Ascension, and preparation for Pentecost.

Easter is the heart of the Church's liturgy and liturgical year. The Church gives us these 50 days to give thanksgiving to God for the gift of Christ's victory over sin and death and express our joy at the resurrection and opening of heaven to all.

While we see a world that is experiencing so much suffering, violence and injustice we need to remind ourselves of, and cultivate the wonderful joy of the resurrection and the first word Jesus said when He appeared to His Apostles – "Peace."



Peace is also very much in our thoughts at this time with ANZAC DAY tomorrow (25 April).

ANZAC Day is one of great significance when we remember, commemorate and thank those men and women of our defence forces who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

For more than a century, Australians have served in not only theatres of conflict but as peacekeeping forces around the world.

On this day we commemorate the service and the enormous debt we owe the men and women of our Australian Defence Force, and we also remember their families and friends so that they may know they and their loved ones are in our prayers.

On Monday at 10.30am at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara,
Bishop Anthony Randazzo will celebrate an ANZAC Mass of Remembrance where we can remember and thank those who have served and those who continue to serve.

All are welcome ~ Lest we forget.

Praisefest - World Youth Day Launch

Calling all Youth & Young Adults to a night of festivities, cultural food, praise & art, with times of fun and times to receive via testimony and a message from Bishop Anthony Randazzo as we launch the upcoming World Youth Day 2023 pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal.

When: 6-9 pm, 29 April; Where: Light of Christ Centre, Waitara Who: Anyone 15-35; Cost: Free; The event is fully catered.



A gentle but very important reminder

I respectfully request that you consider how distracting a ringing phone during Mass is to the concentration and prayers being offered by your priests and your fellow parishioners.

Please.

turn off or mute your mobile phone when entering the church at any time and most especially when attending Mass. *Fr Shaiu*.



Can YOU HELP LinC Hornsby PLEASE?

LinC (Love in the name of Christ) Hornsby has been given an opportunity to raise some much-needed income through running a cake stall at the next Berowra monthly community market at

Berowra Uniting Church on Saturday 7 May. We are asking for support through supplying baked goods, by assisting on the day, or visiting our stall to take home some lovely goodies!

If you would like to help by

providing baked goods
(no Lamington's please) or
assisting on the day of the
markets, please contact

Luisa Gomez (St Bernard's) 0406 067 305 or Malcolm Cross (St Patrick's) 0447 891 282.

Many thanks!

LinC Hornsby is a small Christian organisation made up of volunteers from local churches of different denominations.

LinC's mission is to reach out into our communities through providing services at no charge to our clients, since Christ's love is given freely to us.

Our services include:

- * Transport to medical appointments etc.
- * Telephone support on a regular basis
- * Visitation
- * (In pre-COVID times) serving tea and coffee at Hornsby Court House



Towards a Pastoral Mission ~ The Evangelisation Broken Bay team are in the process of creating their Pastoral Mission which will highlight their goals and strategies around how they intend to support the evangelisation efforts of those in the community of the Church of Broken Bay. The EBB team want to hear from you to make sure the support offered is in line with the mission and vision of your particular parish/faith community.

Online submissions are officially open and the submissions closing date has been extended until **Sunday 24 April 2022**. All are invited to make a submission. Visit the link for more info and to make a submission.

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/evangelisation/towards-a-pastoral-mission



ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND – 30 April / 1st May 2022 — Third Sunday of Easter — Year C Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

	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	Barbara McMullen	Sue Lum	Francis Lizardo	Malcolm Cross	Darrin Patterson	
Reader (1)	Natasha Steele	Zinta Hartmann	Sue Watts	Russell Schreiber	Chris Newnham	Kerri O'Neill	
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Alena Hartmann	Hayley Rodrigues	Vivienne Schreiber	Sue Newnham	Paul O'Neill	
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook, Chichi Datoc (s)		Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer, Sue Watts, Cathy Gray				
Maintenance	Team A & B — additional help always appreciated		Patrick Dias— HELP PLEASE - this group now has only 1 member —volunteer today pls!				

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.



Many of our communities have experienced damage to their homes and belongings as a result of the recent rain and floods. Our emergency relief program may be able to assist. We can support with food and clothing vouchers, replacement of whitegoods and bill payments to help you recover. We can also assist you to access a range of other supports if needed. To find out more or to apply, call us today on 1800 324 924.

Ukraine Appeal As we see on a daily basis, the people of Ukraine are still desperate for our support. They need food, water,

clothing (especially for women and children) and medical supplies. Many aid organisations have responded.

If you can contribute, visit the webpages of any of the opposite organisations.



Ukraine Crisis Appeal







Jesuit Mission

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

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The Australian Institute of Family Studies is running free training on 3 May 2022 on Approaches to support child mental health in culturally and linguistically diverse communities.

To register for this event or share it with someone who might be

interested, visit: Approaches to support child mental health in culturally and linguistically diverse communities

Community News:

Keeping kids safe and well – your voices. This report has been published by the Australian Human Rights Commission and presents insights and recommendations drawn from consultations with over 420 children, young people, and their parents on what they need to feel safe and well. It looks at the needs of children with multiple complex needs, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, children and parents with disability, and children and young people who have experienced abuse or out of home care. The findings will help inform the first action plan of the new

National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2021 – 2031. There is also a child friendly version of the report accessible through the Commission's Website

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