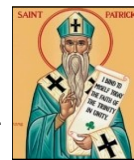


'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus'

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Entrance Antiphon: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through His gospel. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

24th October 2021

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Jeremiah 31:7-9;

Hebrews 5:1-6;

Mark 10:46-52

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.



HOMILY © Richard Leonard SJ

One Monday, three priests, a Franciscan, a Dominican and a Jesuit were having a hard time on the golf course. The golfers in front of the priests were the slowest and

worst they had ever seen. Golf balls were going everywhere. Against golfing etiquette, the group never asked the priests to 'play through'. By the 18th hole the priests were furious. At the clubhouse, just as they were going over to blast the group, they were told that the men were blind.

The Franciscan, moved with remorse at how they had spoken about the group, said to the Dominican and the Jesuit, 'I am going to say Mass every day that God may grant them a miracle and restore their sight'. The Dominican, equally filled with regret, told the Jesuit and the Franciscan that he was going to get the blind men an appointment with the best eye surgeon in town. The Jesuit, however, looked at the Franciscan and the Dominican and declared, 'I can't see why they don't play at night!'

To have any type of disability in first century Palestine not only meant financial hardship, but social segregation. Because Jesus' contemporaries did not understand the causes of disability and illness they assumed it was, to some degree, a curse sent by God in punishment for sins. They also thought the curse could be caught. So the blind, the lame, the crippled, the leper and the bleeder were desperately poor and socially outcast. Incredibly in our day, with all our supposed sophistication, some Christians have made similar statements about God cursing gay people with AIDS. Given the way Jesus acts toward those he encounters with illness, we know that God never sends disease as a curse for sin.

Bartimeaus is, however, a desperate man and in the story he acts desperately, calling out until he is heard. And in one of the strangest questions in the Gospel, Jesus asks a blind man what it is he wants. Maybe Jesus wants Bartimeaus to name his deepest desire. Maybe Jesus knows that it is, often, the unseen hurt that is the most diseased and needs healing first. Whatever of his motives, Jesus' question gives the man dignity.

American dramatist, Michael Moynahan, has written a moving play entitled *Bartimeaus* which centres around that pivotal question, 'What do you want me to do for you?'. The action of the parable, as we have it in the Gospel, freezes when Jesus puts the question.

As Bartimeaus considers his options, he hears the voices of those he might have to look at if he regains his sight. The poor remind him that, 'once before you could see and what you saw disgusted you'. The hungry ask, 'do you have the courage to experience and share my hunger?'. The elderly inquire whether he wants to see those 'put away because we remind you of the frailty of life'. The captives challenge him to see those 'unjustly bound and oppressed'. And finally the Self wants to know, 'Are you willing to look inside yourself to see your beauty and ugliness, darkness and light?'. It's a gripping scene.

It reminds us all that sight, and the insight that can come from what we see, bestows on us the dignity of having options and the responsibility to do something about what we behold. We are in the position of making choices about what we look at. Not everything in the world needs to be seen. There is enough violence and abuse of human dignity in real life to discourage us from seeking out most fictionalised portrayals of it. We cannot, however, let ourselves off the hook in regard to seeing the world as it is and doing something about creating a better vision of humanity for everyone, everywhere.

Michael Moynahan's play finishes, like the Gospel story, with Bartimeaus requesting from Jesus the gift of sight. But in the play, in a powerful twist, as Bartimeaus follows Jesus on the path, he stops, turns and sees the human faces behind the challenging voices. He goes back, embraces them and together they walk the Christian path.

In this Eucharist, then, the same question is put by Jesus to us, 'What do you want me to do for you?', and if our answer is to have sight or insight, then let's also pray for the courage to shoulder the responsibility that comes with every gift.

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office) ~ Hours: 9am – 3.30pm, Mon-Fri only.

1-19 Woodcourt Road, Berowra Heights 2082 / P.O. Box 335, Berowra Hts 2082

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Parish Priest: Fr Shaju John, OSH

Assistant Priest: Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper / **Vol. Office Assist:** Jan Favaloro

Bookkeeper: Karen Price / **Sacramental Team:** kccpsacraments@gmail.com



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

SEATING CAPACITY AT OUR CHURCHES

[applying the current 4m² requirement]

St Patrick's: 101 persons / St Bernard's: 62 persons

Physical Distancing - people from the same household may sit together.

Couples and families can be seated together however, social distancing is to be maintained between family groups.

Additional restrictions may be made from time to time at the discretion of the Parish Priest for the safety of all parishioners.

Acknowledgement of Country: '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.'

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS
and PRAYERS**

ORDINARY TIME ~ Year B

Monday 25/10

Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday 26/10

Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday 27/10

Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday 28/10 ~ Feast

Sts Simon and Jude, apostles

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19

Friday 29/10

Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday 30/10

Rom 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29;

Lk 14:1, 7-11

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr George Rossman, Kevin Murphy,
John Kitchen, Harold D'Souza,
Nicholas Shaw

ANNIVERSARIES:

Patrick (Pat) O'Halloran, Nancy
Gomez

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

**For those suffering around the world
from Covid-19 - that this disease will
be successfully brought under control
and eliminated as a health risk for all.**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Sr Joel svm

Mary John, Alex John, Bindu Alex,
Joseph Alex, Antonia Alvarado, Dana
Saleh, Chris Enright, Tom Dawson,
Sally Agnew, Jola & Stach Uchman,
David Chee, Elaine Longmuir, Jean
Cook, Roger Okell, Patrick Dorahy,
Patrick O'Donoghue, Sr Mary Treacy,
Marie Haag, Fr Thomas Philip osh,
Sr Tincy Thomas, John Gallagher, Dan
Leavy, Felicity Fone, Barbara Jones,
Peter Brooks, Anne Brady, Marie
O'Hare, Brian Treacy, Stephen C C,
John Cosgrove (Snr), Antonia Alvarado,
Peter Nguyen, Nemia Camille Asiong,
Rodney Porter.



**2021/2022 Pastoral
Works Broken
Bay (PWBB)
Appeal**

PWBB levy for the 2021/22

\$34,153

Equating to **\$11,384**

at each appeal in

August—November—May

**The November
2021 appeal
is soon to begin**

(-\$5,303.34)

The August 2021 appeal raised

\$6,080.66

Dear parishioners,
I cannot and will not ask you
to give more than you have,
but simply to give something
if you are able to do so
without personal hardship.
Fr Shaju.

IMPORTANT THINGS WE WANT YOU TO KNOW

† **Our Parish Office will officially re-open from Monday** (25th Oct), with all staff returning and a welcome return to routine. Please note there are still a number of requirements surrounding Covid restrictions which need to be adhered to if you wish to visit the office: To enter the building you must:

- A. Be double vaccinated (for the moment);
- B. Wear a mask and;
- C. Electronically sign in

† **Our Church Entry Points:** All parishioners need to enter in the following way to ensure all regulations surrounding Covid safety are being adhered to and we do not exceed capacity:

- ◆ **At St Patrick's Asquith:** Entry is via the doors opening onto the main courtyard ONLY
- ◆ **At St Bernard's Berowra:** Entry is via the doors opening onto the portico area ONLY
 - Please be aware that we must maximise ventilation in our churches, so once Mass begins, as many windows and doors as possible will be opened and our fans will be in constant use.

Important appeal to provide (potential) life saving assistance to your fellow KCCP parishioners

† **Defibrillators have been purchased for both our Churches:** A decision has been taken to purchase these life saving devices (to have on hand at each church), just in case they should be needed.

- ◆ We are therefore calling for volunteers to be trained to use the Defib's. How about you !?
- ◆ The machine talks you through what you need to do (step-by-step) but free training is provided. It would be great to have some regular (same mass each day/weekend) parishioners trained.
- ◆ If interested please contact the parish office on 9456 2450.

Important debts of gratitude which must be publicly acknowledged

† Our live-streaming expert **Michelle Chahine** has brought Mass into our homes over (*at the very least*) 16 weekends **this year alone**, and she didn't do this just once per weekend but twice! Michelle's, "it's no big deal" approach to everything she does is awe-inspiring and our debt of gratitude is immense. We also take this opportunity to offer our thanks to the Chahine family for lending Michelle to us during such a difficult time. **May God bless you Michelle and your entire family always.**

† We also extend heartfelt thanks to Francis & Tess Lizardo, Michelle Hwang from Asquith and to Anne Bourke, Cecilia Waite and Elaine Maatouk from Berowra for their unfailing and untiring help in keeping our churches clean, our linen fresh, and our flowers glorious.



CONFIRMATION 2021 ~ FRI. 19 NOVEMBER ~ 2 SESSIONS EACH CHURCH ~ 5PM & 7PM

If you have any questions please contact the Sacramental Team via email on:
kccpsacraments@gmail.com

Be sure to **MARK YOUR DIARY** with this date and times as there is **NO ALTERNATE DATE** being offered in the parish.

**OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF ~
THE HOLY ROSARY**

Hail Mary

Hail Mary full of grace, The Lord is with thee.

Blessed are thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ~
REMEMBRANCE**

Remembering all those who have been born to Eternal Life

The Month of November is traditionally the month in which the Catholic Church remembers and prays for our departed loved ones who have been called to Eternal Life.

- All Saints [Mon. 1st Nov] ~ normal weekday times**
- All Souls Mass [Tues. 2nd Nov] ~ normal weekday times PLUS 7pm Mass at BOTH Churches.**

**Annual Masses of Remembrance will be held at
St Patrick's Asquith only this year.**

Saturday 6 November 2021 @ 6pm Vigil
Sunday 7 November 2021 @ 10am

Due to Covid-19 restrictions a number of reservations at each of the above Masses, have been allocated to families who lost someone this year. They have received personal invitations to attend and will be given priority entry to the church.

Thank you for your understanding.

A new online App to assist Parish giving Parish Giving Broken Bay is a newly developed digital App for the Catholic community in Broken Bay, which offers weekly giving for Clergy, Parish and Pastoral collections. **Straightforward, modern and easy to use, it offers the ability to:**

- give regular weekly offerings to 1st and 2nd Collection
- see readings of the day;
- find Mass times and Livestream information;
- discover Catholic news highlights.

Weekly collections are a major source of funds for Parish mission and ministry. With the ability to easily set up Planned Giving for 1st and 2nd Collections, the new App provides flexible giving options as envelopes and cash increasingly become less common.

The App is available on desktop or mobile at www.bbcatholic.org.au/parishgiving



NEW 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.*

The 250 Club!

Week 14 –

18/10/2021

Winning #: 008

Winner: **Leonita Warren**

Amount: \$25.00



This is IMPORTANT ~ At places of Worship you can NO LONGER sign-in MANUALLY

- Above is the main point we need to emphasise on returning to our churches and is clarified below:
 - ◇ The easiest way to sign-in is to download the NSW Service App to your Smartphone and scan the codes at our churches.
 - ◇ If this is not an option for you then in less than 2 minutes you can be ready to return to Mass by going to ...
 - ⇒ <https://apply.service.nsw.gov.au/covid-checkin-card/>
 - ⇒ Apply to Service NSW for a COVID-19 check-in card, which is a card with a unique QR code that contains your registered contact details, which is either printed off by you from your computer or posted to you by Service NSW.
 - ⇒ You then present this to the Usher at church who will have a 'scanner' to record your details electronically in accordance with the law. (*The parish has purchased two Smartphones specifically for this purpose*).
 - ⇒ If you do not have access to a computer to apply for a card please contact the parish office on 9456 2450 for assistance.
- NB:** This requirement may be hard to accept, but without a way to sign-in electronically, by law, you are unable to enter our churches.
NB2: No bookings will be taken for any Masses in our Parish - Entry for Mass will be on a first to arrive and electronically sign-in basis.

We're working our way out-of-lockdown and already we're back-to-Church

NB: This roadmap may be changed by the NSW Govt and/or the Diocese of Broken Bay at short notice. Additional restrictions may be made from time to time at the discretion of the Parish Priest for the safety of all parishioners.

Important Message from our Parish Priest:

In light of the messages from the Diocese of Broken Bay Chancery and the "Roadmap" issued by the New South Wales Government on 27 September.



80% FULL VACCINATION

has been achieved! So we can ...

- † Welcome all **vaccinated and unvaccinated** alike;
- † **Mass and Reconciliation schedule** have resumed as before lockdown;
- † **ALL attendees are required** to use **QR Code to sign in** for contact tracing;
- † The **4sqm rule applies** – allowing up to 62 individuals in St Bernard's Church and allowing up to 101 individuals in St Patrick's Church at any one time;
- † **ALL attendees are required** to wear a **mask** – as per State Government regulation;
- † **NO congregational singing allowed:** but up to a group of 10 fully vaccinated musicians/cantors can provide music & song;
- † **Baptisms can resume** - special opportunities have been made **available** - call for details.

If you have any questions regarding the above please EMAIL the parish office - parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au



MEET THE NEWLY ORDAINED : [L TO R] : FR ROGER; FR SAM; FR ALDRIN

Last Monday at a truly beautiful Ordination Mass, these 3 young men responded to God's call, saying "Yes", and were Ordained into the Priesthood, all while being watched by family and friends all over the world.

In a special edition of the Vox Episcopii, Bishop Anthony shares with us his homily from the Ordinations of Fr's Roger, Aldrin and Sam, that took place at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral on Monday 18 October. It can be read here: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/about/bishop/homilies-and-reflections/homily-for-the-ordination-to-the-priesthood> . For those interested the Livestream of the ordination is still available to watch at www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination

Each of these new priests chose a verse from the Bible for inclusion on their Ordination Cards and they give a lovely insight into the heart of each of these wonderful men ...

FR ROGER: "The mighty one has done great things for me, and holy is his name". [LUKE 1:49]

FR SAM: "Here I am, O God, I have come to do your will". [HEBREWS 10:7]

FR ALDRIN: "How can I repay the Lord for all the good he has done for me. I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of his people". [PSALM 116:12-14]



✘ A series of inspiring video workshops to share via zoom are available for your viewing. Food for thought, springboards for change, keys to renewal for everyone. Please contact the Office if you are interested.

✘ Pregro is prayerful way of reflecting on the Gospel in quiet with a small group. Our parish group is meeting on Sunday evenings at 8.00pm (note new time!) via zoom. You are welcome to join us:

[https://redlands.zoom.us/j/92356509307?](https://redlands.zoom.us/j/92356509307?pwd=SXFLWGdNWGt4M1VkNWVYNnlxdVM1Zz09)
[pwd=SXFLWGdNWGt4M1VkNWVYNnlxdVM1Zz09](https://redlands.zoom.us/j/92356509307?pwd=SXFLWGdNWGt4M1VkNWVYNnlxdVM1Zz09)
Meeting ID: 923 5650 9307 / Passcode: 893929



BAY CONNECT, is a new way to continue to comment and engage online with our community and is featured on the Diocese home page <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/>

The programme offers a difference experience each Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday evening:

- ✘ To find out more and to register online, visit the BAY CONNECT page on the Diocese of Broken Bay website.
- ✘ If you need more information, please email: evangelisation@bbcatholic.org.au



ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND - 30th/31st October 2021 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year
Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28-34



	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Acolyte / Snr	Matthew Waite	Alex Jarominek	Janice Pasoquen	Bill Martin	Malcolm Cross	Keith Fone
Reader (1)	Mark Dunkley	Denise Harant	Miguel Do Rego	Russell Schreiber	Chris Newnham	Kerri O'Neill
Reader (2)	Sophia Smith	Isaac Tonkin	Helen Chui	Vivienne Schreiber	Sue Newnham	Paul O'Neill
Usher / s	Jan & Joseph Favaloro	Freda Alaalatoa	Chris Smith	Phil Daidone	Peter Daly	Les Fogden
Sacristy Care/ Church	Paul Waite, Sarah Jane Sibelja; Marlene Moloney (f)		Sue O'Malley, Mary O'Malley, Sue & John O'Malley; Anthony Drake; Fiona Fone (f)			
Communion to	Mt Wilga Rehab. Hospital	Unable to visit at the present time	Regis (KRG Gardens)	Unable to visit at the present time	Christophorus House	Unable to visit at the present time
Maintenance	Teams A & B - additional help always appreciated		October: Ronnie Tan, John Hajduk - additional help always 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*.



Online Launch!
Pastoral Discernment Project
Central Coast

Sunday 31 October 12 noon

Please join us to hear about the project and ways that you can participate

Following the Launch you are invited to join one of the following Briefing Circles

9 November 11am
9 November 7pm
11 November 7pm
12 November 11am

These sessions have the same content

Listening to one another and journeying forward together, guided by the **Holy Spirit**.

For more information and to register visit
www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc




SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

Learning Hub -



Keeping Children Safe from Poverty
Watch this short video from the Australian National University, Rethinking Child Poverty in Australia -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oK6zCSbFKoc>

FOR WE CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD
ACTS 4:20





Today is World Mission Day – Sunday 24 October Catholic Mission, as the Australian agency of the international Pontifical Mission Societies, work on behalf of Pope Francis to support Church-run mission programs around the world.

This year, we are invited to partner with the essential work of the **Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand**, as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies. These mothers find hope and a new start at the Mother and Babies Home at the Good Shepherd Centre.

By providing a loving home, a community of women from similar backgrounds, parenting skills training and pre- and post-natal medical care, the Good Shepherd Sisters are supporting women and their babies in need.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by going online at catholicmission.org.au/thailand or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

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