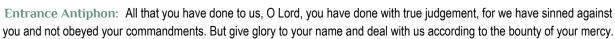


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make the rich out of his poverty. Alleluia! Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.

This is my comfort when I am brought low.

25th September 2022 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Amos 6:1, 4-7; 1 Tim 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

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

5pm St Bernard's Saturday 6pm St Patrick's Sunday 8am St Patrick's

9am St Bernard's 10am St Patrick's

6pm St Patrick's

WEEKDAY MASSES Until further notice there will be **ONE Morning Mass only**

on weekdays

St Patrick's 9am:

Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat St Bernard's 9am: Wed ~ Fri (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,

We had a great celebration last Sunday as 66 of our children were confirmed by Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

It was truly a spirit filled experience for our beloved children, sponsors, parents and Parish community as a whole. Let's offer our sincere thanks to the many who worked so hard to make it a solemn and memorable day.

In a special way, we thank

- Bishop Anthony for his gracious presence and ministry at our Parish
- † Fr. Shaju, our former parish priest, together with Fr. Joy and Fr. Martins
- † Choirs and musicians: Lead so very capably by Moauli and Sarah
- † Acolytes: Vince and Darrin
- † Altar servers: Alena, Verity, Tahlia, Bronte, Freya, Philip, Cara, Rebecca, Thomas and Emma
- † Readers: Zinta, Isaac, Belinda and Christine
- † Offertory Gift bearers: Maria, Manuel, Pallavi, Cesar, Freya and Christiano
- † Parent Representatives: Louise and Felice
- † Sponsor Representatives: Jackie and Krista
- † Bishop's Gift/Card bearers: Kai, Eliana, Layla and Thomas
- † Workshop facilitators: Kate, Cesar, Natalia, Liam, Sarah, Belinda, Tania, Damien, Christine, Gabriel
- † Flower arrangers/providers: Maria, Gwen, Michelle
- † Decorators/cleaners: Elaine, Ray, Glen, Malcolm, Tess, Francis
- † All those who took care of the multitude of little things for adding such beauty to the celebrations.

Most of all, we thank

† Our Sacramental coordinators Peta Tonkin and Phill Clarke who voluntarily worked hard alongside our parish secretary and myself to make these celebrations so very beautiful. It was really a collaborative ministry for the building up of the Church.

Finally, we congratulate and thank the 66 newly confirmed for

† Staying the course and committing to Christ as young adults. Be assured children that your faith family will continue to pray for you so that you will remain close to Christ and His Church.

My dear newly confirmed children, all the gifts of the Holy Spirit are meant to bear fruits for yourselves and for others.

† I encourage all of our newly confirmed to continue to grow in the faith and love of Our Lord Jesus Christ and to allow your lives to be guided by the gifts of the Holy Spirit.



PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

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Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper / Bookkeeper: Karen Price

Parish Administrator: Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

26th Sunday Ordinary Time ~ Year C

Monday 26/09 Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday 27/09 ~ Memorial St Vincent de Paul, priest Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday 28/09 Job 9:1-13, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday 29/09 ~ Feast Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels

Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51

Friday 30/09 ~ Memorial St Jerome, priest, doctor Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday 1/10 ~ Memorial St Therese of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

David Baldwin, Joan Tunny, Queen Elizabeth II, Anita Perilla, Nicholas Pugh, Tony Yap ANNIVERSARIES:

Michael and Mary Ann Weir, Harold George D'Souza, Millie Huepin, Maryann Lobo, Arca D'Souza, Kerrin Enright, Eulalia Elling, Shirley Gray, Lyn Maguire, Phyllis Newnham, Agnes, Charles and Shirley Mosley, Margaret Hinton, Marie Mickelson

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE

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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

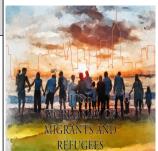
Daryl Harvey, Judy Farrell, Carla Medeiros, Chris Enright, Ann Leslie, Modesta Borromeo Laroco, Georgina Hughes, Jeanette Bakker, Mary Burns, 'Roy', Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, Roger Okell, Barbara Jones, Jean Cook, Brian Treacy, Patrick O'Donoghue, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, John Cosgrove (Snr), Josef, Marie Haag, Elaine Longmuir, Sally Agnew



Pope's intention for September:

Abolition of the Death Penalty;

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



This Sunday is the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees and Bishop Anthony Randazzo invites you to join him for a special Mass to mark this significant occasion.

Date: Sunday 25 September 2022

Time: 9:30am

Venue: OLOR Cathedral, Waitara.

All are invited to attend.

Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022 "Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees" can be found at: https://migrants-refugees.va/it/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2022/05/EN-world-migrants-day-2022.pdf



Insects, Heaven and Hell © Michael Tate

One of the saddest passages in the Dalai Lama's autobiography is the one in which he envisages the possibility of coming back in another life as an insect or animal.

Hindus and Buddhists and lots of New Age followers believe in reincarnation. If a person has not achieved a wonderful state of self-less-ness and enlightenment before death then another round of existence will inevitably begin with another opportunity.

And so on, and so on, and so on for hundreds of generations until the self is realised no more. We do **not** believe that

In this superb little gospel story Jesus makes it clear that there is **one** earthly life in the **one** body and at the moment of death we will have determined our destiny – either a hellish or a heavenly state of existence forever.

Recall this Gospel story. The rich man (traditionally called 'Dives') is totally **self** absorbed in the **self**-indulgence his wealth could afford and therefore he neglected to even notice poor Lazarus at his gate. He is indifferent to the fate of the poor.

He created a chasm, a huge gap, between himself and the poor, so wide, so absolute, that not even a scrap of food which fell from his table, not one crumb of companionship, could cross over to Lazarus.

And this chasm, *created by Dives*, was fixed at the moment of his death so that not one part of the life of Paradise could cross over to him – not even a drop of water.

Lazarus had not been noticed by the rich man but Lazarus *had* attracted the loving gaze of God who ensured that, at his death, he was carried gently by the angels into Paradise – what a beautiful image.

Dives is so shocked at this great reversal that he pleads that his brothers be informed of his fate.

Abraham replies that, even if one returned from the dead, the brothers, quarantined in their comfort zone, would not believe what is revealed in this story.

What is revealed is that there will be a great reversal of the inequity and callousness and sheer indifference which, over the centuries, has kept billions like Lazarus starving and covered with sores, and with only the street dogs for companions.

Abraham said the five brothers would not believe such a revelation, even if someone returned from the dead to tell them, and Abraham has been proved right over the last two thousand years.

One did return from the dead – Jesus Christ. In his earthly phase of life, His eyes constantly alighted on the many of his day who shared the plight of Lazarus, and his loving gaze healed them of their sores and fed their starvation – their pangs of hunger for food and human companionship.

This way of life was vindicated by His Resurrection and yet the world, and sometimes we, have not taken the message of this story to heart.

If extreme self-centredness persists at the moment of death, there is no crossing the divide created by the selfish self

Hell is not a punishment sent by God. It is simply the continuation of the Divide which some have chosen as the way which defines who they are. Hell can be of our own making.

Please God, let me, let you, let us, make observant and just choices concerning Lazarus at our gate, locally, nationally, overseas. Let us make choices which will ensure that at our deaths we too will be carried gently by the angels into Paradise.



Week 10 ~ 19/09/22;

Winning #: 899; Amt: \$500; Winner: Bernadette Stubbs Do you want to win up to \$500? Then join the 250 Club! It's easy to do! Call 9456 2450 or send an email with your name and phone number to parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au. Payment can be taken over the phone by credit card or cash via the plate in a clearly marked envelope.



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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.

Open my eyes, Lord.
Help me to see Your face.
Open my eyes Lord,
help me to see.
Open my ears, Lord.
Help me to hear Your voice.
Open my ears Lord,
help me to hear.

We need **Volunteers** in **SO MANY** Ministries - our situation is now becoming quite **DESPARATE**. Our volunteers are aging and we desperately need younger folk to step up and take up some of the load. The more volunteers, the less the commitment ~ so please consider helping with ...

Gardening / Maintenance at St Patrick's Asquith ~ Commitment: currently under review. A number of appeals have been made in recent times for new volunteers but the response has been minimal. Twelve months ago (almost to the day) a parishioner who retired from this ministry after years and years of dedication is still seen mowing the lawn because he cannot pass the church and see the grounds uncared for ~ no one has ever replaced him or a number of others who have retired. The situation we now face is... get more volunteers OR PAY for a contractor to maintain the church grounds ~ this has never before been needed in the history of the church. Please grab a mate and make up a team. The more teams we have the lower your commitment will be.

Altar Society St Patrick's Asquith ~ Commitment: once every 4-5 weeks. A number of vacancies exist on this roster. Duties include light dusting and vacuuming (guidelines provided to new starters). Men are especially valued in this ministry to lend strength with things like lifting the flower arrangements into place and move any heavy stuff.

Appeal for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion ~ Commitment: once every 4-5 weeks taking Our Lord in Communion to our faith community who are housebound at Mt Wilga or aged care at Christophorous House and Regis Hornsby. This very dedicated group of volunteers need help. Yes, there are some additional steps needed to take on this ministry, such as WWCC or a special one for Regis BUT the residents appreciation of YOU for bringing CHRIST to THEM is without compare. The office can help with meeting requirements.

Coffee Corner ~ Commitment: yet to be determined but aiming for once per year. Would you and a friend consider hosting a Coffee Corner morning after 9am Mass at Berowra or 10am Mass Asquith one month in the year? If you are already part of a ministry, you might like to use this opportunity to increase exposure of said ministry and potentially gain some new members! You'll never, never know, if you don't have a go?

Catechists ~ Commitment: One morning per week during school terms ~ Rewards: Heavenly ...

Is God calling you to be a Catechist? Jesus said, "Let the children come to me". Matthew 19:14



Schools that need a Catechist - NOW PLEASE Berowra Public Primary School

Wednesday: 9.30am - 10.00am ~ Years 3/4 ~ 20 Students

Mount Kuring-Gai Public Primary School

Wednesday: 12.55pm – 1.25pm Years 1/2 ~ 12 students

Use your gifts; be a disciple of Jesus Christ to Children You can job share with a

friend/take a class every other week! If you think you would like to get involved and be part of any of the above very rewarding Ministries or you would simply like more information, please contact the Parish Office: 9456 2450.

Vox Populi - 21 September 2022

Since 1914, the Catholic Church has celebrated the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, expressing concern for different vulnerable people on the move and raising awareness about the opportunities offered by migration. This Sunday, September 25, we will gather with the rest of the faithful around the world to commemorate the wonderful contribution migrants and refugees have made to the life of both our Church and nation. In May, His Holiness Pope Francis stressed the importance of building the future with migrants and refugees, recognising how each of them can contribute to the process of construction. "As we have seen, the arrival of Catholic migrants and refugees can energise the ecclesial life of the communities that welcome them," he said. "Often, they bring an enthusiasm that can revitalise our communities and enliven our celebrations. Sharing different expressions of faith and devotions offers us a privileged opportunity for experiencing more fully the catholicity of the People of God." In the context of our Australian Catholic faith, we recognise the immense importance migrants and refugees have made to building and revitalising our Church throughout its history. The migration of Irish Catholic priests to the penal settlements in the early 1800s allowed the Church to gain a foothold in the fledging colony, providing Catholic convicts with an alternative to the Church of England services they had previously been compelled to attend. A steady wave of migration of priests, religious and lay people through the 19th century from other parts of Europe allowed the Church to flourish across the continent. The post-Second World War migration of Italians, Maltese, Lebanese, Dutch, German, Polish, Croatian and Hungarian Catholics helped to build up the Catholic Church in Australia to what it is today, the largest Christian denomination in Australia. More recently, migrants from the Middle East, Asia, Africa, and South America have added to the life of the Church, creating wonderful diversity in our pews, pulpits, and religious orders. With many parts of the world still at war, we know there will continue to be waves of migrants and refugees entering the difficult journey towards a better life. As Pope Francis said, the presence of migrants and refugees represents a great challenge, but also an immense opportunity for the cultural and spiritual growth of everyone. We pray that migrants and refugees will continue to be a source of enrichment for our Church, for our nation and for our Diocese, bringing their unique culture and gifts, and energising the ecclesial life of our faith community. We also pray for those currently on the difficult journey, that they might find safety, refuge, and comfort, and that the Church will open her arms to support and welcome them, following in the example of Jesus Christ. Most Rev Bishop Anthony Randazzo will celebrate Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral on Sunday at 9:30am for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. All are invited to attend.



Biju's Bible Awakening Assembly BBAA

Dear friends, Please join me for a bit of insight into The Bible. Starting in October, I hope to share with you my love of God by sharing with you the Word of God in an interesting, friendly and not too overwhelming way. Please join me ...I look forward to meeting you. Fr Biju.

Dates: Tuesdays 4, 11, 18, 25 Oct. 22 ~ Time: 7.30pm-8.30pm ~ Topic: First Letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians ~ Venue: Fr McMaugh Hall, in grounds of St Patrick's School, Asquith. To register: Email the office on parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au with your name and number.



Children's Choir

@ St Patrick's
is always happy
to welcome new
members

Ages: Year 3 up to Year 12.

Choir sings at: 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month (except January).

Choir practises: Every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church.

Practice resumes: 14 October

All welcome!

Like more info? Contact: Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.



In the Diocese of Broken Bay we are

particularly remembering safeguarding awareness for the entire month of September and encourage families to build meaningful connections with their children and young people around them. Most people's life involves connection to family, immediate or extended.



Catholic Youth
Broken Bay ~ Lectio
Divina evenings of
prayer and the
warmth of fellowship!

When: First Monday each month
Time: 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Who: 18-35 year olds
Where: Men's Sessions |
Joseph House, Willoughby
Women's Sessions |

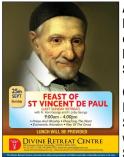
KCCP Office, Berowra Heights

RSVP: https:// forms.gle/1myPBeMUZ3gT5vHG7 or see the Facebook Event for more details!

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND – 1st October / 2nd October 2022 — 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-9

	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	Denis Steiner	Mani Subramany	Francis Lizardo	Volunteer now	Robert Pesavento
Altar Servers	Sub requested, Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed, Volunteer needed	Want to be an Altar Server?	God is calling YOU! Can you hear Him?	Emma Daly, Noah Daly	Niall Collins, Tara Collins
Reader (1)	Sophia Smith	Jeanette Neary	Helen Chui	Vivienne Schreiber	Cora Cuasay	Christine Vila
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Denise Harant	Celia Cox	Russell Schreiber	Susie Gates	Les Fogden
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook, Tina Manti (s)		Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Michelle Hwang (f), Leticia Wee, Michelle Blanco			
Maintenance	Team A & B - additional help always appreciated		— HELP PLEASE - —volunteer today please!			

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.



An invitation from Fr Joby & Fr Roni of the Divine Retreat Centre Somersby

Come celebrate the Feast of St Vincent de Paul with us TODAY Sunday 25th September.

You are most welcome to celebrate the Feast of St. Vincent De Paul with us at Somersby, from 9am to 4pm.

The day will include:

Praise & Worship; Preaching the Word; Eucharistic Adoration; Way of the Cross. Lunch will be provided.

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Season of Creation 1 September – 4 October 2022

The 'Season of Creation' continues through to 4 October, the Feast of St Francis, and is an ecumenical season calling all Christians around the world to pray and take action for our common home. The theme for 2022 is "Listen to the Voice of Creation." In his message for World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, Pope Francis said, "If we learn how to listen, we can hear in the voice of creation a kind of dissonance. On the one hand, we can hear a sweet song in praise of our beloved Creator; on the other, an anguished plea, lamenting our mistreatment of this our common home."

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