

### KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH -



Entrance: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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 |  |  |  |  |
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WEEKDAY MASSES While Fr Biju is on leave (6 Nov - 8 Dec) there will be **ONE Morning Mass only** on weekdays

St Patrick's 9am:

Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat St Bernard's 9.15am: Wed ~ Fri (except 1st Friday of the month when Mass is at 11.30am @ St Bernard's)

RECONCILIATION Saturday 9.30am St Patrick's Fridav After 9am Mass St Bernard's

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**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.

#### PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

Opening Hours: 9am – 3.30pm, Mon-Fri only.

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First Friday of the Month ~ This Friday ~ 1 December 2023



### ANOINTING & HEALING MASS @ St Bernard's:

11.30am

Adoration: 10.30am; Reconciliation: 11.00am; Healing Mass: 11.30am

NIGHT VIGIL @ St Patrick's: 7.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Prayer, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction. All are welcome



When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne. and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. Matthew 25:31-32

# Don't Be a Goat

In the Matthew 25:31-46, the gospel for the Solemnity of Christ the King Year A, presents Jesus as both a shepherd and a king. This dual role signifies a leader who not only rules but also nurtures and protects. The sheep in the metaphor are those who follow Christ's example by showing compassion and service to others. Whether it's volunteering at a soup kitchen, taking care of the sick, or advocating for social justice, these actions align with Christ's teachings.

Contrastingly, the goats represent those who turn a blind eve to the suffering of others. Indifference or rationalizing the plight of the marginalized reflects a departure from the core Christian teaching of empathy and love. Instead of blaming people for their misfortune, our faith calls us to uplift those who are vulnerable and marginalized.

Following Christ, our Shepherd King, means more than just adhering to rules; it means living a life of service and advocacy. When we assist those who are struggling, we are serving Christ Himself. Thus, caring for the needs of others isn't just a good deed-it is a direct response to the teachings of Jesus, our King.

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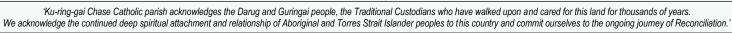
Remembering all those who have been born to Eternal Life November 'enables us to reconnect with all those whom we love, but who have died. As well, it invites us into solidarity with the dead throughout history... We also pray for those who have "gone before us marked with the sign of faith". During the Month of November you are requested to say the following prayer daily:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Our Book of Remembrance remains in each of our Churches during November. Please print names clearly on the November Mass envelope and place on either plate at any Mass. The names of your deceased family members and friends will be placed into the books on a weekly basis where they will be remembered in a special way during November Masses at both St Patrick's and St Bernard's.



Parish Administrator: Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH Assistant Priest: Fr Joy Thomas, OSH Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper Bookkeeper: Karen Price / Vol. Office Assist: Jan Favaloro KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill (kccpsacraments@gmail.com)





### Pope's intention for

**November:** For the Pope: We pray for The Holy Father, as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ordinary Time ~ Year A

Monday 27/11 Dan 1:1-6, 8-20, Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday 28/11

Dan 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11 Wed. 29/11

Dan 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19;

Thursday 30/11 ~ Feast St Andrew, apostle Rom 10: 9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Friday 01/12 Dan 7:2-14; Lk 21: 29-33 Saturday 02/12

Dan 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

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

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Thomas Wynn, Sr Ellen Cahill RSM, Anne Dryden, Keith Loughland.

ANNIVERSARY: Patrick Porter. All those recorded in our **Book of Remembrance** 

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Margaret Patterson, Pat Bowden, Teresa Ashton, Sosefo Ali, Bill Holmes, Cita Del Rio, Adele Ramos, Simon Riddett, Judith Ryan, Won Lee, Chris Enright, Maris Park, Philomena & Rex D'Souza, Mary Mathew, Fiona Loughland, Garth Graham, Yvonne Graham, Isabel Henson, Judy Farrell, Chichi Datoc, Ann Leslie, Mary Burns, Georgina Hughes, Patrick Dorahy, Rey Hilario, Roger Okell, Barbara Jones, Brian Treacy, Josef, Marie Haag, John Cosgrove (Snr), Patrick O'Donoghue, Elaine Longmuir, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger.

# The 250 Club!

Wk 18 ~ 20/11/2023; Winning #: 629 Amount: \$25.00 Winner: Unsubscribed



We've heard from Fr Biju ...

(well, in pictures anyway) and it seems he is having a wonderful time celebrating his Jubilee of Ordination year.

The foundation date of the Oblates of the Sacred Heart Congregation is November 21 and each year many Priests come together at Sacred Heart Mount Monastery to celebrate as a community.

(Left) - Fr Biju had pride of place (alongside another of his 'batchmates' Fr Cyriac) in full Syro

-Malabar vestments and shadowed by many other priests - (if you look really hard, you might recognise one or two!)

(Left) - Fr Biju with a few of his 'batchmates' from St Thomas Major Seminary, Vadavathoor, Kottayam, in which he did his Theological studies.

(Right) - Fr Biju giving the Homily at Sacred Heart Mount - Nov. 21.

### Music Scholarships: APPLICATIONS CLOSE THIS WEEK Thursday 30 November to be precise!



Our parish is offering two scholarships in Keyboard to young people 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. Some previous experience and training is required. Please contact the office for application forms. Interviews for prospective Scholarship candidates will be held in December. Email: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au by 30 Nov. 2023.

### November Appeal Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB).



We have so far collected about \$8,000 of our \$17,127 quota for the November appeal.

Envelopes remain in pews and can be put on either collection plate. Or, you can donate online by visiting the Diocese website;

Or via the QR Code featured on the envelope and image opposite.

Donations over \$2 are tax deductable.

Please donate whatever you can comfortably afford to help us reach our quota, thank you. (Any shortfall from the appeal, must be made up using parish funds which would otherwise be put towards parish needs such as maintenance and insurance. Last financial year \$9,304.35 was the shortfall the parish had to cover).



### Advance Notice ~ Advent Group

Simone Noel has offered to host an Advent Group in her home on

Thursday evenings, November 30 and December 7, 14 and 21, from 7.30pm. Come to all four or just the one!

Please let Simone know you are coming by calling/texting her on: 0423 238 010.

A new programme for 2023 is being finalised by the Diocese and will be based upon the

'O Antiphons'

Would you like to host an Advent Group also? Please contact the office to provide details.



## **NEXT FRIDAY** ~ December 1, 5pm for 5.30pm Bernie's Ladies invite YOU to "bring a plate to share"

for dinner at the home of Moauli.

Please RSVP to Gen by Monday November

### 27 on 0418 866 250 /

david@barnettsroad.com & indicate what dish you will bring.

All Ladies from St Patrick's are very welcome,

please come along.

'The goal of Bernie's Ladies is to build community at our church'.

'How does the 250 Club work?" There are two Series per year. For a \$20 outlay per series (paid in advance) you get a block of 4 consecutive numbers. Series 1: Approx. Feb - June & Series 2: Approx. Aug - Dec. Each series is over a 20 week period and your outlay is just \$1 per week.

1 block of 4 numbers gives you 64 chances per series to win \$25.00 and 16 chances per series 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, we can sort you out ! Call today to subscribe to Join the Club (9456 2450).



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.

# December 2023 Parish Timetable

The ultra busy month of December will soon be upon us and so we thought we might give you an idea of just what is in the diary for Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish ...

Event

Church



Welcome to our Faith Faith Family Baptism congratulations to Tom Maclean Arlen Del-Castillo Addison McNamee

Aaalson McNamee Parker McNamee Makaylah Keeble

who are to be baptised this weekend.

Please keep them, their parents and Godparents in your prayers.



Carols under the Star 2023 Thursday 7 December. Pre-show activities 5.30pm, Carol show beings 7pm.

This annual Combined Churches of Berowra, is a wonderful and well supported annual open air event, which takes place on Warrina St Oval, Berowra Hts. Don't forget to save the date for Carols Under the Star 2023. You won't be disappointed. Volunteers are needed on the night. Can you help? Please contact the office: 9456 2450.

### COLUMBAN CALENDARS:



The 2024 calendar is now available at **BOTH** St Bernard's & St Patrick's for only **\$10.00**, and they make a cheap but quality gift

for family and friends alike!

CHRISTMAS CARDS are also available from both churches. St Patrick's has SVdP cards in packs of 10 for \$9.00. Please put money in box provided. St Bernard's has 8 for \$2.50 but NB: are not the SVdP cards offered at St Patrick's.



### Children's Choir @ St Patrick's Please note well:

The Children's Choir Christmas Party has been re-scheduled for **Friday Dec. 1st. 5 to 5.45pm outside the church.** This will also be our last practice for 2023. Parents and siblings are welcome to join the party. Please RSVP for numbers. Bring some Christmas food to share if you can! For further information contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935

| Dec 1  | 11.30am / 7.30pm | SBB / SPA                   | Anointing & Healing Mass / Night Vigil  |
|--------|------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Dec 2  | All Masses       | SBB / SPA                   | SVdP Christmas Appeal   |
| Dec 3  | All Masses       | SBB / SPA                   | SVdP Christmas Appeal   |
| Dec 7  | 5.30pm           | SPA                         | Year 6 Graduation Mass  |
| Dec 7  | 5.30pm<br>7pm    | Warrina St Oval,<br>Berowra | Carols under THE Star - Pre-show activities<br>Carols under THE Star - Carols Show (see opposite) |
| Dec 10 | After 9am Mass   | SBB                         | Morning Tea to celebrate Fr Biju's 25th Jubilee of Priesthood                                     |
| Dec 11 | 6pm              | SBB                         | Year 6 Graduation Mass  |
| Dec 13 | 9.30am           | SPA                         | Whole School end of year Mass   |
| Dec 13 | 3pm              | Hornsby                     | Christmas Mass, Regis Aged Care   |
| Dec 15 | 9.15am           | SBB                         | Whole School end of year Mass   |
| Dec 15 | 7.30pm           | SPA                         | Taizé Evening   |
| Dec 17 | After 10am Mass  | SPA                         | Morning Tea to celebrate Fr Biju's 25th Jubilee of Priesthood                                     |
| Dec 19 | 7.30pm           | SBB                         | 2nd Rite of Reconciliation opportunity  |
| Dec 20 | 7.30pm           | SPA                         | Whole Parish Christmas Carol Evening  |
| Dec 23 | 9am              | SBB                         | Christmas Church Cleaning—all hands and buckets on deck!  |
| Dec 23 | After 9am Mass   | SPA                         | Christmas Church Cleaning—all hands and buckets on deck!  |
| Dec 24 | 5pm              | SBB                         | Christmas Vigil (Children's Mass - outdoor - Carols & BBQ)  |
| Dec 24 | 6pm              | SPA                         | Christmas Vigil (Children's Mass)   |
| Dec 24 | 9pm              | SPA                         | Christmas Vigil Youth Mass  |
| Dec 25 | 12am             | SPA                         | Christmas Day Midnight Mass   |
| Dec 25 | 8am              | SPA                         | Christmas Family Mass   |
| Dec 25 | 9am              | SBB                         | Christmas Family Mass   |
| Dec 25 | 10am             | SPA                         | Christmas Family Mass   |
| Dec 28 | 9am              | SPA                         | Actual 25th Jubilee Anniversary of Fr Biju's Ordination to Priesthood.                            |

#### POSITION VACANT

Time

Date

The **Safeguarding Office (Chancery & Parishes)**, at Pennant Hills is seeking someone who can deliver learning and development initiatives, coupled with passion and drive in child

protection, justice, compliance and community engagement for a permanent full-time role as **Safeguarding Training Coordinator**. While the role is noted as full-time, there is flexibility with the working schedule for the right candidate. Pivotal to the role is the requirement to assist with preparations for internal and external audits, providing advice on processes and offering recommendations for improvements, educating, and supporting clergy and Chancery employees to develop understanding of and compliance with NCSS requirements. Sound like you, or someone you know? We invite you to apply by submitting your CV and brief cover letter addressing the skillsets via email to recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au. Applications close **Friday, 8 December 2023**.

There is flexibility on the commencement date - why not interview now and lock in a new role to commence in January 2024! For more information or to obtain a copy of the position description or for further details, please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

### Vinnies Christmas Appeal ~ December 2nd & 3rd

# Next weekend Vinnies Conferences for Asquith & Berowra Parish are holding their Christmas Appeal.

The St Vincent de Paul Society has been active in this Parish for 60 years and the parishioners have always been generous in the support of the Society. The need for your support is just as important now as it was in the past.

There are envelopes at the back of the Church if you need to take one this week, however there will be envelopes in the Church pews for the Appeal next week.

Thanks for your support, and please, if you can, support our littlest parishioners by buying a cake this weekend.



THIS SUNDAY November 26 after 10am Mass there will be a Cake Stall

run by the Children's Choir. Monies raised go to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal.

Come and buy fabulous luscious treats for all the family. Don't miss out! Could you help by baking or cooking something? Cake, Slice, Quiche, jam maybe?

Please write ingredients on the box (to accommodate allergies) and wrap your offering. But please ... NO NUTS!

| Rosters & Readings for Weekend 2nd & 3rd December 2023: First Sunday of Advent – Year B: Is 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37 |  |                                    |  |                                      |                                  |                                      |  |  |
|--|--|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
|  | 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                   | Mani Subramany,  | Francis Lizardo                      | Malcolm Cross                    | Volunteer needed                     |  |  |
| Altar Servers<br>Altar Servers   | Martha Askew<br>Piper Thompson                               | Miranda Tablizo<br>Sophia Cottrell | Volunteer needed<br>Volunteer needed   | Volunteer needed<br>Volunteer needed | Rishona Gonsalves<br>Amy Francis | Volunteer needed<br>Volunteer needed |  |  |
| Reader (1)   | Francesca Parrino  | Alena Hartmann                     | Miguel Do Rego   | Vivienne Schreiber                   | Elizabeth Fernandes              | Michael Halliday                     |  |  |
| Reader (2)   | Justin Berry   | Volunteer needed                   | Hayley Rodrigues   | Russell Schreiber                    | Mary Stokes                      | Les Fogden                           |  |  |
| Sacristy/Cleaning/<br>Flowers  | Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook,<br>Anne Bourke (s) |                                    | Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Michelle Hwang (f), Leticia Wee, Michelle Blanco |                                      |                                  |                                      |  |  |
| Maintenance  | Teams A & B (help always needed & appreciated)               |                                    | November: Luke Massa, David Mooney, John & Sue O'Malley (help always needed )              |                                      |                                  |                                      |  |  |

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.



Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Ecumenical Choir

Presents

Handel's Messiah

with organ, trumpets, tympani and soloists!

Venue: Hornsby Catholic Cathedral 23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara

Ticket prices

Adult \$30 Concession \$20 Student \$10 Free for children under 10

Doors open 7.30pm

\$30

Adult

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Young Adult Event: We'd love you to join us for a Christmas Holy Hour and Dinner Celebration!

#### Date: Thursday December 14 Time: Holy Hour: 6pm - Dinner: 7pm Location: Holy Name Parish, Wahroonga This evening will be an opportunity to join in a beautiful Holy Hour, afterwhich we'll celebrate the end of a wonderful year with good food and great friendships.

Please RSVP December 7 to 0418 522 449 or vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au

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