

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 26th March 2023 ~ 5th Sunday of Lent ~ Year A Ezek 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

Entrance Antiphon: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Alleluia Verse: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon: Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Seek God.

Find God.

Cmbrace 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

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.

Dear Parishioners,

When we upset a friend, we say sorry so that we can continue being friends. When we sin, it may not only hurt others, but ourselves and God. It really destroys our peacefulness.

But through the Sacrament of Reconciliation—a Sacrament of healing—the Church truly helps her children to regain our good friendship with others and with God and thereby regain our peace of mind.

Jesus expresses beautifully what happens in the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Parable of the Prodigal Son: We go astray; we are lost and we can no longer cope. But our loving and merciful Father waits for us to realise what we have done is wrong; He forgives us when we come back; He takes us in again; He forgives our sins.

The Parable says, while the younger brother was alone, he came to his senses and realised how he had turned away from his father—how he had signed



Confession truly helps us to know ourselves better. Through coming to know ourselves better, we realise how fallen and fragile we are. This realisation helps remind us of (and to rely upon) God to help rid us of our failures and shortcomings.

After the Prodigal Son came to his senses, he got up and travelled the long journey home to say sorry to his father. After his father ran to him and embraced him, the son looked his father in the eye and told him how sorry he truly was.

We need to say sorry to others. We need to look them in the eye and mean it when we say we are sorry. The Sacrament of Reconciliation gives us the opportunity to look at Jesus in the eye and to look at others in their eyes and to say sorry.

I am so happy to say that our school kids have had the opportunity to confess during these days of getting ready for the great celebration of Easter.

Tuesday 28 March 2023, has been set aside at St Patrick's Church, Asquith at 7.30pm for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (2nd Rite). Please come and experience his mercy and compassion in this way too.

I extend a hearty welcome to you all!

Fr Biju Jose ~ Parish Administrator



Easter Reconciliation 2nd Rite ~ This coming Tuesday 28 March 2023, 7.30pm St Patrick's Asquith only



Taizé Prayer Night ~ Friday 31 March 7.30pm St Patrick's Asquith.

"Everyone is welcome to join in this special opportunity to encounter God more deeply through spirit filled songs, prayer and silence, plus it's a great way to prepare for Holy Week."



Easter is a New Beginning! After the long lockdown of Covid, Fr Joy and myself wish to reconnect more personally with you, so, we have decided to offer a Catholic tradition (from many countries) to bless homes between now (Lent) through all Eastertide (up to Pentecost). This is a beautiful tradition and we would like very much to visit with you as well as our housebound

parishioners to whom we will also administer additional Sacraments if requested. Various days, dates and times have been put aside in the parish calendar, so to make an appointment, please contact the parish office. *Fr Biju*.

EASTER CHURCH CLEANING THIS SATURDAY 25 MARCH



Many hands will make light of the work to be done, so please come armed and ready to clean and beautify our Churches for Easter.

9am St Bernard's and after 9am Mass St Patrick's Please bring your own cleaning stuff, thank you.



PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

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

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KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Diocese of Broken Bay Australia

Assistant Priest: Fr Joy Thomas, OSH
Parish Secretary: Margaret Cooper / Bookkeeper: Karen Price
Vol. Office Assist: Jan Favaloro / Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill

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Parish Administrator: Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

'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 March: For victims of abuse: We pray for those who have suffered harm

from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

5th Week of Lent ~ Year A

Monday 27/03

Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11

> **Tuesday 28/03** Num 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday 29/03 Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday 30/03 Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday 31/03 Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday 01/04 Ezek 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Simon Peter Cripps, Beni Viola, Imelda Santillan, Ligy Joy, Joseph George, Agnes Yoon, Jean Dorahy

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Pereira, Catherina Elisaberth Reemst, Denis Mulligan, Gregory Cooper, Kathleen Jones, Bernard (Pat) O'Malley, Karen Fitzgerald SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Those suffering from Covid-19 - that it is brought under control and eliminated as a health risk.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Maria Park, Anna Cho, Garth Graham, Yvonne Graham, Isabel Henson, Judy Farrell, Chichi Datoc, Ann Leslie, Georgina Hughes, Mary Burns, Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy, Roger Okell, Jean Cook, Barbara Jones, Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger, Brian Treacy, John Cosgrove (Snr), Patrick O'Donoghue, Fr Thomas Philip OSH, Josef, Marie Haag, Elaine Longmuir.

Altar Society and flower volunteers please note:
During Lent it is forbidden for the Altar to be decorated with flowers. GIRM #305 (thank you)

Important Notice: Permanent change to our weekday Mass Schedule.

NB: Your opinion needs to be provided via email by Friday 31 March 2023 - 12 midday.

Dear parishioners, I write to you all to let you know, that I have written to Bishop Anthony requesting a permanent change to the weekday Mass times and locations in the parish. As you are aware, for almost 10 months, the parish has been operating with just the single Mass per morning, always at 9am but with opportunities to attend Holy Mass available at both churches. It is my fervent wish to return to offering as many morning Masses as possible, **however**, this has its challenges when there is only the one priest in the parish, i.e. Mondays and Tuesdays, and in the case of illness of a priest. To that end I now share with you my proposal to the Bishop.

Time	St Bernard's Berowra Heights	Time	St Patrick's Asquith
8am	Thursday	8am	Wednesday & Friday
9.15am	Wednesday & Friday (As students of SBB School do not assemble to begin the school day until 8.55am, this time change allows time for the children to come along to our morning Masses on Wed & Fri.)	9am	Monday // Tuesday // Thursday & Saturday

I welcome your thoughts on this change, so if you wish to proffer an opinion, please email me by 31 March 2023 at: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au It is anticipated the change will take place from Easter Monday (10th April [earliest] or Monday 17th April [latest]). In the meantime a single morning Mass at 9am will continue in the parish under the current schedule. When considering this change, I would ask that you remember, whilst our parish has two churches we are ONE PARISH and a morning Mass will continue to be offered every morning in THE PARISH.

Fr Biju Jose ~ Parish Administrator

The Chrism
Mass will
be

celebrated at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 4 April at OLOR Cathedral, Waitara. Parishioners are again most welcome to attend without restrictions.

PARISH LENTEN
PROGRAMME 2023 ~ Jesus:
Our Light and our Life,

Becoming One in Christ, concludes this coming Thursday evening (30 March). Please gather at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start, in the Fr McMaugh Hall, St Patrick's, Asquith. Reconciliation Times
Every Saturday
9.30am at Asquith and
Every Friday after 9am
Mass at Berowra
Additional opportunities
Monday, Tuesday,

Wednesday, Thursday, after Mass on request. Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Bernard's Berowra Heights:

8.30am Friday mornings followed by 9am Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross during Lent at St Patrick's Asquith: 7.30pm every Friday evening (except March 31st—see front page)

Mass Times for Holy Week

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MASS	DATE	ПМЕ	LOCATION	THINGS TO NOTE	
Palm Sunday of the	Saturday 1 April 2023	5pm	St Bernard's		
Passion of the Lord		6pm	St Patrick's	Holy	
	Sunday 2 April 2023	9am	St Bernard's	Week	
		8am; 10am; 6pm	St Patrick's	HIIIFE	
Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper &	Thursday 6 April 2023	7.30pm	St Bemard's	(No morning Mass) Procession to Altar of Repose & private Adoration till 10pm	
Washing of the feet)		7.30pm	St Patrick's	Please return your Project Compassion Envelopes/Boxes	
Cood Eriday Stations of the Cross	Fri. 7 April 2023	10am	St Bernard's		
Good Friday - Stations of the Cross		10am	St Patrick's	Day of fast and abstinence	
Cood Friday Descion of the Lord	Fri. 7 April 2023	3pm	St Bernard's		
Good Friday - Passion of the Lord		3pm	St Patrick's		
Easter Vigil	Saturday 8 April 2023	6pm	St Bernard's	BRING A PLATE OF On Holy Saturday)	
Edotor MBII		7pm	St Patrick's	FOOD TO A small celebration will follow each of these Masses	
Easter Sunday	Sunday 9 April 2022	9am	St Bernard's	(No evening Mass in the parish	
Easter Sulludy		8am; 10am	St Patrick's	on Easter Sunday)	



Week 5 – 20/03/23; THE BIG ONE ~ Amount: \$500.00 ~ Winning Number: 668; Winner: Bill Hester ~ YAY!!

A fitting reward for mowing the lawns at SPA for years & years & years





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 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 Biju.



Catechist News ~ Congratulations and thank you Barbara McMullen for not only answering the call for Catechists but completing the necessary requirements and joining our Team at Mt Kuring-Gai Public School.

However, we **URGENTLY** need a Catechist for:

Hornsby North, Ida Street - Kindy - 12 students - Thursday 09:10am - 09:40am Mt Colah Public, Telopea Street - Year 1 - 16 students - Wednesday 11:30am - 12:00 noon What is a required?

Complete Child Protection requirements: Working with Children Check; complete A1 and A2 Forms; complete the compulsory topic "Safe Guarding Children" as directed by The Department of Education and you can enter the classroom and see for yourself what we do in the classroom.

Open to anyone 18 years and over, male or female, who can find the time to share their faith with our little ones. Interested? Contact Parish Office on 9456 2450.

To view a Lent and Easter booklet that was prepared by Kristy from CCD please copy and paste into your browser https://issuu.com/bbcatholic/docs/lent_and_easter_booklet_2_

We hope it will warm your hearts and answer quite a lot of questions.

Last Friday on the actual (Solemnity) Feast Day of St Patrick, the children of St Patrick's Primary School attended a 'Whole School Mass' in honour of their Patron Saint which included the Blessing of the Mercy Action Group who promote social justice initiatives at our Parish School, something of which St Patrick himself would be proud! Fr Joy returned to the Parish Office with a broad smile across his face

and couldn't help but praise the way the children were so beautifully behaved and responded to all the prayers with meaning and reverence. Well done children and well done to all the teachers who prepared you so well.



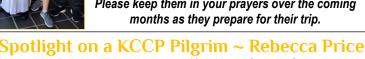






In last weekend's bulletin we wrote "It would be great if we as a Parish could show our support by backing their fundraising initiatives" and in true KCCP style, that is exactly what you did! Our pilgrims have asked that their thanks be extended to all who came to chat with them over a cuppa, those who shared a piece of cake and especially those who gave generous donations which totalled an amazing \$484.00!! Should you wish to, donations towards their trip can be made via the parish website (www.bpoint.com.au/ payments/krgcparish) or contact the parish bookkeeper for bank transfer details via

Please keep them in your prayers over the coming



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My name is Rebecca Price, I'm in year 10 at Mercy Catholic College. I've been a part of this parish my whole life and am an active member of both the Children's and Select Choir for our parish. I am really excited for the upcoming World Youth Day trip. I can't wait to meet lots of like-minded Christian youth and delve deeper into my faith. It will be a trip I remember for the rest of my life.





Daylight Savings Ends April 2nd. Turn your clocks back 1 hour at 3am on 2 April '23.



Lent and Easter Music Practice dates for St Bernard's Moauli has returned and is slowly

adjusting from

"Island Time" back into the swing of things.

Any new folk who would be interested in being part of the music during Easter (or anytime at all) at St Bernard's are asked to contact the office and your details will be passed along to Moauli. Existing musicians will be contacted by Moauli directly.

Anyone interested in making beautiful liturgical music for Lent and Easter?

You are invited to Music Practice at St Patrick's each

Monday evening in March, **7.30—9pm** in the church. All welcome - bring a friend, your voice and your instrument. Call Pat Smith 9482 7935.

Children's Choir @ St Patrick's



will sing at 10am Mass on Easter Sunday and hope you can join your voice with them.

Last practice for Term 1: Friday 31 March, 4-5pm as usual. Choir will resume after the school holiday on Friday 28 April 2023.

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.

Children's Choir practises: Every Friday from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. Interested? Please call Pat Smith 9482 7935.



World Youth Day (WYD) Mother's Day Raffle ~ Donations of Gifts appreciated, please.

We will be holding a Mother's Day raffle and selling tickets after Masses at both ends of the parish ~ but not just yet! To have a raffle you need a prize, so we would appreciate any donations towards our prize/s by way of any new small gifts you would like to donate (local business voucher, candles, mugs, fancy stationery, hand cream etc) or maybe you have a gift you want to 'on-gift' (shhhh, it will be our little secret).

Please place any donations in the clearly marked boxes at the back of our churches, however, if you feel more comfortable doing so, your donation/s towards our Pilgrims' Mother's Day Raffle, may also be delivered to the Parish Office, where they will be well taken care of by the parish bookkeeper (Karen) who just happens to be Pilgrim Rebecca's mum. Thanks for supporting us, Rebecca, Rachel, Sophia and Michael.

The raffle itself will be drawn on Sunday May 14th after the 10am Mass at St Patrick's, Asquith.

Rosters & Readings for Weekend – 1st / 2nd April 2023 - Palm Sunday - Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14—27:66								
	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	Bill Martin	Volunteer needed	Darrin Patterson		
Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Verity Hartmann Bronte Tonkin	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Rebecca Clarke Thomas Clarke	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed		
Reader (1)	Jerome Gomez	Zinta Hartmann	Hayley Rodrigues	Vivienne Schreiber	David De-Fina	Gabriel Henao		
Reader (2)	Anne Maree Hutchins	Alena Hartmann	Sue Watts	Russell Schreiber	Susie Gates	Mary Stokes		
Narrator	Mary Dorahy	Peta Tonkin	Sue Watts	Michael Halliday	David De-Fina	Gabriel Henao		
Other	Francesca Parrino	Isaac Tonkin	Hayley Rodrigues	Russell Schreiber	Sue Newnham	Mary Stokes		
Crowd	Jerome Gomez	Freya Tonkin	Edwina Subramany	Vivienne Schreiber	Susie Gates	Les Fogden		
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook (f); Chichi Datoc (s)		Scott Smith, Anastasia Smith, Francis Lizardo, Tess Lizardo * During Lent - No Flowers - just greenery pls.					
Maintenance	Teams A & B (help always needed & appreciated)		March: Malcolm Cross & David Chui (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.

Marian Pilgrimage

Have you been to any Marian Pilgrimages before?

A pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines is a journey into the heart of Mary, our Blessed Mother.

Our faith becomes more tangible in our daily life as we travel to the places where the Virgin Mary has appeared to guide her children, increase our faith, and bring us closer to her Son, Jesus.

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Travel date: 17 August - 9 September 2023! Please see details at: https://www.facebook.com/HornsbvCathedralParish

For more information or to book, contact: Susan Clark

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