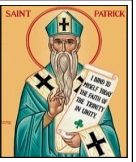


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 30th May 2021 ~ **The Most Holy Trinity** ~ Year B

Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20



Entrance Antiphon: Bless be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.
Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: Since you are the children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

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'



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One of the things we often hear in times of domestic, local or international crisis is that 'everyone pulled together'. We are rightly proud, and a few times amazed, at how people can set aside their differences and strive for the common good. Sometimes this experience of working together has the long-lasting benefit of breaking down boundaries. Other times, sadly, old enmities, prejudices and suspicions return when the crisis is over.

Trinity Sunday celebrates that whether we are in crisis or not, in season and out of season, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit do nothing but **'pull together'** to love and save us. What we glimpse as the best attribute of our family, town or nation defines who our Christian God is, and what they see, how they judge and the way they act toward the world.

A famous icon of the Trinity depicts the three persons at a table where there are four place settings. The final place, in the lower half of the painting, invites the viewer to take the seat and join them. It's profound theology and masterful art, but we can quickly misunderstand it.

We are not just personally invited to join in the very life of God, and pull together with them in their loving and saving of the world. The seat at the table is reserved for all of humanity.

In practical terms it is impossible to profess belief in the Trinity, on the one hand, and then work at things which pull the human family apart, on the other. It is scandalous to hold to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and be known as racist, bigoted and sexist, to not care about refugees or those who die each day of starvation. We cannot keep signing ourselves in the name of a Triune God and then work hard at getting richer and more secure while the rest of humanity grow poorer and lack the necessities for human dignity.

Ghandi once said, 'I love the New Testament and the Christian ideas about God and I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians practise what they the preach.'

Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one. It's about gaining the strength at this Eucharist to pull together to see that all of God's children have the opportunity to hear the good news of how much God loves us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and so can take their privileged place at God's table. Most people will learn about the saving love of God primarily through the way they observe us seeing, judging and acting.

It's not by accident that in our Catholic tradition the usual moment we invoke the Trinity is when we make the sign of the cross. It reminds us that **'we cannot have our cake and eat it too'**. Every time we profess the Trinity we recommit ourselves to die to self so that God's saving love may be realised for everyone, everywhere.

So let's not only profess our belief in the three persons that make up our one God, but live the life that goes with it, **'In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.'**

First Friday of the Month

4th June 2021



ANOINTING & HEALING MASS

@ St Bernard's

10.30am

- + Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- + Rosary
- + Divine Mercy Chaplet
- + Benediction
- + (Reconciliation available throughout the above)

11.30am

Anointing & Healing Mass

[a cuppa and pick-ups will follow served in a Covid safe manner]



1st Friday Night-time HOLY HOUR

@ St Patrick's 7.30-8.30pm

- + Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- + Rosary
- + Divine Mercy Chaplet
- + Intercession Prayer
- + Benediction



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Assistant Priest Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

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Youth Ministry Co-ord. Michelle Chahine

Sacramental Team: kccpsacraments@gmail.com



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

SEATING CAPACITY AT OUR CHURCHES

[applying the current 2m² requirement]

St Patrick's: 202 persons

at St Bernard's: 122 persons

Physical Distancing - people from the same household may sit together in the church. Couples and families can be seated together however, social distancing is to be maintained between family groups.

Additional restrictions are at the discretion of the Parish Priest for the safety of all parishioners.

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 and Thurs.
	9am	Wednesday and Friday
St Patrick's	8am	Wednesday and Friday
	9am	Mon, Tues, Thurs and Sat.

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday	9.30 am at St Patrick's
Every Friday	After 9am Mass at 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.*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS
and PRAYERS

ORDINARY TIME ~ Year B

Monday 31/05 ~ Feast
The Visitation of the Bl. Virgin Mary
Zeph 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday 01/06 ~ Memorial
St Justin, martyr
Tobit 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday 02/06
Tobit 3:1-11,16-17; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday 03/06 ~ Memorial
Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs
Tobit 6:10-11, 7:1,9-14, 8:4-9;
Mk 12:28-34

Friday 04/06
Tobit 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday 05/06 ~ Memorial
St Boniface, bishop, martyr
Tobit 12:1,5-15,20; Mk 12:38-44

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mathew Franklin, Michael Gan Ai Lau, Ilureza Wong, Iggy Castillon, Terry Treacy, Josephine Sugirtham, Patrick Newman, Dorothy O'Sullivan, Elaine Perez

ANNIVERSARIES: Helena Noske, Mary Ann Weir, Judy Huntley, Geoffrey Warren, Andrzej Maciejewski, Andrea Daria, Elde Daria, Gesmundo & Concepcion Daria, Eliza Daria, Filomena & Vicente Banaga, Donna & Peter O'Donohue, Ida O'Halloran, John Joseph (Fr Shaju's father), Peter O'Halloran, Jada & Leon Fellmann, Moya Dawson, Krysia & Dyziv Maciejewsky

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

The 250 Club! THE BIG ONE

Week 15 - 24/05/2021
Winning number: 664
Winner: *Unfinancial*
Amount: \$500.00



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May: The World of Finance ~ Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its danger.

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



Confirmation 2021 will be celebrated within Masses on Sunday 5th September 2021 at

~ 11.30am St Bernard's ~ 2pm St Patrick's ~ 4pm St Patrick's
[These Masses are for candidates only and incorporate ~ 1 candidate + 1 sponsor + 2 parents/caregivers only]

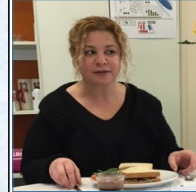
ENROLMENT FORMS are now available for download from the Parish Website
<https://www.bbatholic.org.au/kccp/sacraments/confirmation>
Together with full details of the **Enrolment weekend - June 19/20**,
Workshops and practices and most importantly, the Mandatory Parents Information Evening July 14th at 7.30pm
This is an essential requirement for your child to proceed to the Sacrament of Confirmation.



We remember the gift of Mary, woman of faith
On the very last day of the month, we celebrate the feast day of the Visitation. During this month, we could take Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth, as a way of being for our living, most especially after the recent months of restrictions.

- **Mary saw her cousin's need** – Let's open our eyes to the world around us... let's notice those who are in need, perhaps of friendliness, hope, care, concern, kindness, support, shelter, also those who are being treated unjustly, with injustice, discriminated against.
- **Mary responds** – We take a moment to see what response is needed... so we listen to the person's need...not what we would like to do. We can respond by reaching out, or listening, showing that we have heard someone...Our response might be to give time, give what we can to the other person, reaching outside myself to step into the other person's need.
- **Mary's visit brings joy** – Joy is one of the gifts of the Spirit...we see that the Risen Jesus brings hope, joy and peace to the lives of his disciples...let's find way to bring joy to another.
- **Mary stays only as long as she is needed** – Mary remains while she is needed, and let's Elizabeth's need guide her. This might be a good guide for us as we begin to make visitations and receive other visitors... We give thanks for those who bless us with their presence.

[www.dioceseofkerry.ie/2021/04/praying-the-month-of-may/]



Our own
Woman of Faith
Michelle Chahine

It was with mixed emotions this week, that we farewelled Michelle from the role of Youth Coordinator for our Parish which she has held since 2017. Her invaluable assistance and reliability in the office and across all areas of parish life are also gratefully acknowledged. Michelle is not leaving us as a parishioner, nor is she leaving her role as Eucharistic Minister to the Housebound, instead she is focusing on her faith filled roles as Vocations Officer for the DBB and her many and varied Senior Roles in SVdP at Local, State and National levels.

*Thank you Michelle.
May the Good Lord bless you
and guide you as you answer His call.*

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

DON'T KEEP IT TO YOURSELF!

Catechists are just ordinary people with extraordinary hearts. They offer the gift of their time to teach, to inspire, to grow and learn. We need more Catechists to teach in our public schools. All training and class materials are provided.

SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH US!

BECOME A CATECHIST JOIN NOW...

INTERESTED?

CATECHIST COORDINATOR
MOBILE 0407 650 208
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CATECHIST NEWS...

*You can Make a Difference,
but you won't Know if You don't Try!*

For the children's sake – please don't let our plea fall upon deaf ears.

**Without Catechists to teach them,
some children won't even know that God exists.**

The precious gift of faith in God and the knowledge of God, is given to every child in the public school system, by Catechists in our Parish, **but sadly we do not have enough Catechists.** Many people sit back and wait for others to volunteer or say **"I couldn't do that, it isn't for me"**

But how do you really know what you are capable of if you haven't even tried! All lessons are prepared for you. They are simple and training is provided, but really just follow the script and watch the children's faces come to life hearing the **"greatest story ever told."**

Did you know that Catechists form the largest volunteer team within the Church?!

Needed: A Working with Children Check which is compulsory but **NO BIG DEAL**, in fact it is quite a simple process. Catechists will be at the back of both Churches to answer any questions you may have.

Please: call Cynthia Gilbertson, our Catechist Coordinator on 0407 650 208 or the Parish Office.

Testimonies from our Catechists: From left to right please meet... ,



Mary O'Malley: *I have been a Catechist for approximately five years and have enjoyed the interaction between the children and myself, having been in the corporate world all my life. It is very rewarding to see the children learning each week about the word of God. I would recommend anyone with some spare time on their hands to 'give it a go'*

Marion Pahalawatta: *I have been a catechist for the last six years. It is very rewarding to see seeds of faith germinating in children by their responses in class. I believe they will access these hidden treasures throughout their lives especially when they face challenging situations.*

Savita Rodrigues: *I have been a catechist for six years now and feel privileged to be able to share my Christian faith with children in public schools. The children's eagerness to know more about Jesus is very encouraging. For some, the weekly scripture class is their only source of knowing Jesus. I encourage you to consider being part of this rewarding ministry.*

Meralyn Tarte: *I became a catechist to help out at my children's local primary school, and here I am 14 years later, still a catechist, because it has been so rewarding personally. My faith and knowledge have grown, despite many challenges facing the church in our modern world. More than ever, our children's hearts need to be led to Jesus, to walk with Him as they journey through life.*

A Pastoral Note: Dear all, for a couple of weeks now, I have been reflecting about the distribution of Holy Communion on the tongue. Many of you have raised your concerns with me around the safety and risk of this in current times, and the concerns were for all of us ... the persons themselves, other parishioners, our Senior Servers, Fr Joy and myself.



I have therefore decided for the time being that
**Holy Communion in this parish will only be distributed on the hand
 for the greater safety of all.** Fr Shaju John OSH, Parish Priest



Vox Episcopi - The Voice of the Bishop - 25th May 2021

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ. Every day we are confronted by the presentation of a frayed and damaged world. The mass media as well as social media regularly portray the elements of life that are grungy, angry, and belligerent. Mostly, we are presented with bad news. It has been suggested that human beings are drawn to bad news possibly because sudden disaster is more gripping than slow upturns. At one level, that might be true. However, at a deeper level I am convinced that the human family in fact desires good news not bad. Every day I receive messages of joy and hope from people from various backgrounds and from different places.

The world sometimes looks back to a time of nostalgic perfection, the "golden age" where things are said to have been better. At other times it gazes to the future, dreaming that there is a place where perfection will at last be achieved. For the Christian, neither of these positions completely satisfies because it would be like looking for the Garden of Eden in the past or Heaven in the future. Neither view is bad, but both lack the now.

As Christians, our faith is one that is centred on Christ because we are one in him through baptism. That means that we are called to live in the present moment with Jesus Christ, who is yesterday, today, and forever. It can be a challenge living life where we are. The temptation might befall us to avoid this moment and look to the past or the future to escape this present time.

When people write or talk to me about their joy and hope, it is because they are living and reflecting upon this moment, their "today" moment in Christ. To see Jesus Christ in everything that we think and do and say, is to be people of the Good News, not bad.

In this time of Pentecost, might I invite you to take the time to listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to you in your life now. The Spirit reveals Jesus. As you discover Christ in each moment of every day, you will become His herald of Good News to our world. *Peace be with you. + Anthony*

Crossroads ~ A pathway for older children to receive the Sacraments of Initiation



There may be a number of children in upper primary classes, or early secondary school, who have missed out on the sacramental programs which younger children complete in about Year 3 and 4. If you would like your older child to be Baptised and/or complete their Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Communion, please make contact with the Pastoral Centre and arrangements can be made to meet with you and your child to plan for this.

Our Faith Family

Normally, this corner is kept to welcome & congratulate those being Baptised in our parish.

There are no Baptisms this weekend so we thought you might enjoy some recent feedback instead ...



(thanks Gen F. for sharing)

ST BERNARD'S CHURCH IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Calling for musicians at St Bernard's.

If you would like to join our ministry and give your voice and talent to praise God please consider joining our group.

We are having a **Music Ministry Meeting** on **Tuesday June 1st at 7pm** in the **parish meeting room** (inside the Pastoral Centre). If you can't make the meeting but would like to send us a message so we know who you are and that you're interested, we love to hear from you. Contact Freda Alaalatoa and Moauli Griffiths (SBB Music coordinators) on 0451 664 592.



**THE JOURNEY CONTINUES !
 Fan the Flame ~ Towards Plenary Assembly
 One October 2021**

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' John 20:19-23

We cannot keep ourselves shut up in parishes, in our communities, in our parish or diocesan institutions, when so many people are waiting for the Gospel! It is not enough simply to open the door in welcome ...,

but we must go out through that door to seek and meet the people!

(Pope Francis, World Youth Day Homily at Cathedral of San Sebastian, Rio de Janeiro, July 27, 2013)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/

In February 2021, the Working Document (Instrumentum Laboris) for the Plenary Council, was released. The document draws heavily on the voices heard during the Listening and Dialogue and Listening and Discernment phases of the Plenary Council, but also from other key sources.

It is entitled **Continuing the Journey**. A number of key themes emerge in this document, including:

- renewing a Christ-centred Church that heals wounds and warms hearts;
- strengthening practices of discernment and synodality;
- the call to co-responsibility in mission and governance;
- embedding a response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse;
- renewing and supporting the ordained ministry;
- promoting discipleship in parishes, families and young people;
- forming prayerful and Eucharistic communities that are eager to engage in society for the service of all;
- proclaiming the Gospel in a change of era;
- renewing the Church's solidarity with First Australians and those on the margins of society;
- promoting an integral ecology of life for all persons, societies and our common home, the Earth.

A copy of the document can be found at:

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/IL-document-spreads.pdf>

Please pray for the Plenary Council.

MUSIC News
Children's Choir @ St Patrick's has resumed regular practices after a long break due to COVID19.

The Choir sings at 10am Mass at St Patrick's on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month - if restrictions allow! Practices are held at St Patrick's church every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm. Any child from Year 3 to Year 12 is allowed to join. The Choir is a wonderful way to develop their musical skills and learn about their faith at the same time, while being an active part of the parish community. To join, simply bring your child along to our next practice, or for further information, please call Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 5th/6th June – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)- Year B

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE; Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Acolyte / Snr Server	Justin Berry	Denis Steiner	Mani Subramany	Milen Kurishingal	Malcolm Cross	Robert Pesavento
Reader (1)	Natasha Steele	Alena Hartmann	Paul Worthington	Russell Schreiber	Simone Noel	Youth reader 2
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Zinta Hartmann	Penny Loughland	Vivienne Schreiber	Mary Stokes	Youth reader 1
Usher / s	Jerome Gomez	Paul Dryden	Chris Smith	Jim Fitzgerald	Peter Daly	Les Fogden
Sacristy Care/ Church Cleaning	Natasha Steele, Genevieve Funk, Ted Cook, Gwen Wood (s)		Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Michelle Hwang (f), Leticia Wee, Michelle Blanco			
Maintenance	Teams A & B - additional help always appreciated		June: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow - additional help always appreciated			
Communion to Sick	Mt Wilga Rehab. Hospital	Michael O'Neil	Regis (KRG Gardens)		Christophorus House	

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*.

PRAISEFEST is back in the flesh!

Join us on **Friday 11 June 2021 at St Patrick's Gosford Parish from 6-9pm**. Come along, sit back and chill with us, and enjoy: PRAISEFEST Radio, games, food and hospitality, 'Rambling with the Rev', Praise & Worship, an inspirational message & more.
* This event is open to all youth and young adults. All young people under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parish or school group where supervision and responsibility is taken by their corresponding leaders.



We cordially invite you to a series of inspiring talks about living in the Christian faith.

7 Sundays starting
23 May 2021 to
04 Jul 2021
2pm – 5pm
St Patrick's Catholic Church
Hall
1 Royston Parade, Asquith
NSW

This is **FREE** for everyone seeking happiness and a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

With Kids Activity and afternoon tea.
Come with your family and friends.

All are welcome!

For more details call/message:
Dom De Guia 0423 150 926

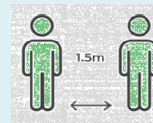
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ALL DIRECTIONS
of the **USHER/s**
& **Warden/s**



Sanitise your hands



Stand apart



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