

'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus' KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord. Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!



Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia! Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

7th November 2021 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 1 Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

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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Saturday	5pm		St Bernard's		
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St Bernard	l's 8	am	Mon, Tues, Thurs		
	9	am	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.

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We would normally hear or read the second half of this week's gospel as a stand alone example of generosity and faith – often without the section that immediately precedes it. Whilst the actions of the widow are certainly worthy of comment, when we read it in the context of the condemnation that immediately precedes it, the widow's offering is placed in a different light. Jesus condemns the scribes who parade their wealth and seek trappings of earthly power and glory: being recognised and greeted as they walk the streets; taking the front seats in synagogue; and expecting to be seated in the place of honour at banquets. Whilst parading their wealth and feasting at banquets, they are also swallowing up the property of widows – taking advantage of those in need. We often hear widows and orphans named in the



scriptures as those in need. Widows and orphans (and strangers in the land) are marked out for special attention in the Torah. They are named as deserving of special care – the lost and broken of society. So despite holding a special place in Jewish Law and tradition, the widows are being taken advantage of by the scribes, who are taking over their property for their own gain. One of the duties of the scribes was to administer the proper payment of Temple taxes. The treasury referred to in the passage is the Temple treasury. Rather than a great act of generosity, we can now see the widow's payment of Temple tax as a burdensome, heart-wrenching obligation to pay the very last coins she had to a corrupt, uncaring system. We usually read praise into Jesus' comments about the widow's offering, but it can also be read as moral outrage at the system that demands this woman pay all that she possesses to the Temple.

Living the Gospel – Hypocrisy

Throughout the gospels, what Jesus appears to abhor more than anything else is hypocrisy. His harshest condemnation of the scribes and the Pharisees is that they are hypocrites. In this passage, whilst Jesus hates the scribes' parading around and claiming honour that is not their due, what really sees him condemn them is their mistreatment of widows 'while making a show of lengthy prayers'. We cannot praise God in prayer while at the same time mistreating our neighbour. That is hypocrisy! Our actions are an extension of our prayer. We cannot celebrate the Eucharist on Sundays and fail to live it the rest of the week!

Historical Context – The Widow

In ancient Jewish culture, until a woman was married she was literally the property of her father. Upon marrying, the woman left her family and became part of her husband's family and became specifically the property of her husband. If the woman's husband were to die, leaving her a widow, she no longer had anywhere to belong. Because a woman's identity was based on which man she belonged to, she effectively ceased to belong anywhere. It is for this reason that the Torah names widows as deserving of special care and protection from the whole community.

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 Phone: (02) 9456 2450 / Email: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp 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



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.

'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 08/11 Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6 Tuesday 09/11 ~ Feast The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Jn 2:13-22 Wednesday 10/11 ~ Memorial

St Leo the Great, pope, doctor Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19 Thursday 11/11 ~ Memorial St Martin of Tours, bishop Wis 7:22- 8:1; Lk 17:20-25

Friday 12/11~ Memorial St Josaphat, bishop, martyr Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37 Saturday 13/11

Wis 18: 14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

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

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:

Mary Park Sr Joel SVM, Mary John, Alex John, Bindu Alex, Joseph Alex, Antonia Alvarado. Dana Saleh. Chris Enright, Tom Dawson, Sally Agnew, Jola & Stach Uchman, 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, Anne Brady, Barbara Jones, Peter Brooks, Marie O'Hare, Brian Treacy, Stephen C C, John Cosgrove (Snr), Antonia Alvarado, Peter Nguyen, Nemia Camille Asiong, Rodney Porter.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November: ~ People

Who Suffer from Depression ~ We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

The 250 Club!

Week 16 - 01/11/2021 Winning #: 204 Winner: Paul Maher Amount: \$ 25.00



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

PASTORAL The 2nd Appeal will be take THIS WEEKEND Saturday 6 / Sunday 7 November WORKS Broken Bav



To donate, there are collection envelopes in the pews of the church.

It will only take a few moments to complete. You can also make a donation by scanning the OR code or online at www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks

Your support is appreciated by those we help. Donations are tax deductible and contribute to our Parish target. Thank you and God bless your generosity.

St Edmund's College for the disabled, one of five long-term beneficiaries of donations, is the featured charity for the November appeal. St Edmund's, a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition, supports 120 students with a range of disabilities such as intellectual, sensory impairment or autism. Donations to Pastoral Works Broken Bay help provide vital fee assistance to families in our Catholic community so that their children can access the services offered by St Edmund's.

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

The 6pm Vigil Mass and 10am Mass this weekend will see us celebrate our Annual Mass of Remembrance **Annual Masses of Remembrance.**

Whilst all the faithful departed are remembered at all Masses during November, at these two Masses we especially remember family and friends of parishioners from our parish who passed away in the last year. May perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in Peace. Amen.



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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.

As in previous years a **Book of Remembrance** has been placed in each Church for the month of November. November Envelopes are now available in each church.

Please print names clearly and place your offering inside the envelope then place on plate at Mass. The names of your deceased family members and friends will then placed into the books on a weekly basis, where they will be remembered in a special way during November.

At places of Worship you can NO LONGER sign-in MANUALLY

The easiest way to sign-in is to download the NSW Service App to your Smartphone and scan the codes at our churches to enable contact tracing should it be required.

If 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/ and apply for a COVID-19 check-in card. \Rightarrow This card has a unique QR code that contains your registered contact details. You can print it off at home, have one posted to you or you can do both!
- Present the card to the Usher at church who will 'scan' in to record your details electronically in \Rightarrow accordance with the law.
 - If you do not have access to a computer to apply for a card please contact the parish office on 9456 2450 for assistance.

This is where we're at ... in our churches we ...

- Welcome all vaccinated and unvaccinated alike;
- ALL attendees are required to use either: QR Code or your Covid Check-in Card to sign in; 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;

Mass and Reconciliation schedules have resumed as before lockdown;

Baptisms have resume - special opportunities have been made available - call for details.

If you have any questions regarding the above please <u>EMAIL</u> the parish office parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au

NEW Bank Account Number: To obtain the details of our new bank account (for regular or ad **OUR BANK** hoc donations), please contact the parish office on 9456 2450 or via email to: DETAILS parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au ~ Thank you for your ongoing financial support of the parish.

STUFF OF NOTE !

† If visiting our Parish Office ~ There are still a number of requirements surrounding Covid restrictions which need to be adhered to if you wish to visit the office.

- X To enter the building you must:
- **A.** Be double vaccinated (for the moment); **B.** Wear a mask and; **C.** Electronically sign in.

We need more Catechists ~ *Be part of a worthy Ministry* ~ Especially, now, are you wondering:
'How can I make a difference?' 'What can I do to help?' Trust in your call from God and answer the call by contacting Cynthia Gilbertson, Coordinator on 0407 650 208, or the Parish Office, to discuss a variety of options, whether you are working or not working.

- Start the training now to be ready to go into the classroom next year.
- **Teach or assist in the classroom** (assistants help keep children focused, hand out books, walk among the students. Assistants are so beneficial to the teacher.
- **†** Junior servers are now welcome to come back ~ until early next year, if you have a child who is a trained Junior Server, they are welcome to serve at any Mass they attend.

 - Next year (hopefully in Term 1) we will call for new Junior Servers to be trained and a new roster will be drawn up.
 - Welcome back kids !

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- **†** Position vacant ~ keyboard player/organist ~ required to help out at 8am Mass at St Patrick's.
 - ✗ Training and coaching provided.
 - X Attractive remuneration package: Your reward will be great in heaven!
 - ✗ Please contact Pat Smith 9482 7935 or parish office.
- 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.
 - X The App is available on desktop or mobile at <u>www.bbcatholic.org.au/parishgiving</u>
 - X Or search for "Parish Giving Broken Bay" and download the App in your mobile store.

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 Defibs. 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.
- **Last chance to join our list of volunteers** to be trained and potentially save the life of a fellow parishioner, we will be booking the training date shortly.
- ◊ If interested please call the parish office on 9456 2450 or email parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au



- † Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes ~ Once again this year we are participating in the ministry of Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Boxes and brochures are at the church for pick-up. Please return them to Louise Dryden at 7 Dunoon Street, Berowra Heights or the church no later than Sunday 21 November as we are taking them to the warehouse the following Saturday. In the week preceding 27 November, boxes can still be delivered to my house. Thank you all for your wonderful support, *Louise*.
- COLUMBAN ART Calendars & SVdP CHRISTMAS CARDS ~ St Vincent de Paul Society Asquith Conference have available for purchase at the back of the Church the 2022 Columban Art Calendars and St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Cards. The prices are \$10.00 per Calendar and \$7.00 per pack of 10 Christmas Cards. Your purchase will go towards assisting those in need in our Parish and the Columban Missions. Please place money in the box provided. Many thanks for your support. Contact: Les Fogden 9476 4058 or 0414 947 640.
- COLUMBAN ART Calendars ~ are also available from St Bernard's Church for \$10 each. A range of CHRISTMAS CARDS are also for sale - \$2.50 for a pack of 8 - but please note, these cards are not the SVdP cards offered at St Patrick's Church.
- Carols under the Star 2021 is again going virtual 17 December 2021 ~ Due to the uncertain nature of Covid restrictions we will not be doing an open air event but rather something very similar to last years virtual carols. Don't forget to save the date for virtual Carols Under the Star 2021. While it is disappointing that we won't be doing the event on the oval, we have so many ideas that will help create a beautiful sense of community and hopefully a really fun enjoyable online event!



Welcome to our Faith Family Baptism congratulations

to

Chelsea Spurrett, Imogen Spurrett, Magdalena Worrall, Suzanna Worrall, Henry Maher,

Elodie Maher

and

Felix Graziani

who were baptised last weekend &

Baptism congratulations

Roslyn Taylor and

Rees Tablizo

who are to be baptised this weekend.

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



FRIDAY 19 NOVEMBER 5pm & 7pm 2 sessions each church

Please direct questions to the Sacramental Team via email: kccpsacraments@gmail.com

Alive in the Spirit ~ A series of workshops on inspiring, parish-enlivening topics will be offered via zoom, free for anyone who is interested, on Tuesday evenings in November. Next workshop Tuesday 16th November, 8pm Zoom link: <u>https://</u> <u>redlands.zoom.us/</u> <u>j/92356509307?</u> pwd=SXFLWGdNWGt4M1V kNWVYNnlxdVM1Zz09 Meeting ID: 949 2171 0989 Passcode: 096695

You're invited! ~ Scriptureinspired meditation and prayer group following the Prego model is being held via zoom every 2nd Sunday evening. Come and join us on Sunday 7th November, 8pm. Zoom link: <u>https://</u> redlands.zoom.us/ j/92356509307? pwd=SXFLWGdNWGt4M1V kNWVYNnlxdVM1Zz09 Meeting ID: 923 5650 9307 Passcode: 893929



ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND - 13th/14th November 2021 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year Dan 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32



	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church				
	5.00pm	9.00am	6.00pm	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm	
Acolyte / Snr	Paul Dryden	Barbara McMullen	Mani Subramany	John Messina	Malcolm Cross	Darrin Patterson	
Reader (1)	Natasha Steele	Jeanette Neary	Sue Watts	Michael Halliday	Sub requested	Volunteer needed	
Reader (2)	Alodie Wheeler	Peta Tonkin	Edwina Subramany	Jim Fitzgerald	Mary Stokes	Volunteer needed	
Usher / s	Jan & Joseph Favaloro Jerome Gomez	Freda Alaalatoa Peter Collins	Chris Smith Volunteer needed	Phil Daidone Tess & Francis L	Peter Daly Susie Gates	Sub requested and Volunteers needed	
Sacristy Care/	risty Care/ Marcia Wood, Helen Johnson, Gwen Wood, Elaine Maatouk, Marissa Maatouk, Cecilia Waite (f)		Pat Smith, Ellen Downey (f), Marion Pahalawatta, Francis Lizardo, Tess Lizardo				
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		November: Malcolm Cross, David Chui - additional help always appreciated				

From the Diocese of Broken Bay



Vox Episcopi - The Voice of the Bishop - My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, The English word *disciple* has its origin in the Latin word *disciplus* meaning learner; from the verb *discere*, to learn. These days is it commonly used to mean "a follower", and in the Christian context more precisely, a follower of Jesus Christ. Unfortunately, the further one moves away for the original meaning, the more watered down that meaning becomes. ... + Anthony [To read the rest of the Bishop's letter go to: https://mcusercontent.com/466af249e088db70ab864d088/files/0bbed907-c723-0488-24e1-



WORLD YOUTH DAY this year will be held on Sunday 21st November! Previously celebrated each year on Palm Sunday, the Holy Father has changed the annual celebration to the last Sunday of the liturgical year, being the feast of Christ the King. Watch this space and Catholic Youth Broken Bay for more information relating to World Youth Day this year and in the future!



Details of this project can be found at www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc which includes details of Briefing Circle registrations.



Pastoral Mission Update (Inc. Synod of Bishops 2023)

Evangelisation Broken Bay will be releasing an initial document highlighting the six goals for our Pastoral Mission. These six goals will serve as the basis for how the Evangelisation Broken Bay team will endeavour to support the community in living out Bishop Anthony's vision and mission for the Church. On 19 March 2022, we will be releasing the complete document which will further highlight our objectives and strategies for these six goals.

^{Church} In the meantime, we are keen to engage with the community on how we can better support you in living our this vision and mission in your particular context so that the complete document can take into consideration and include the ideas of the

community. We will, therefore, be creating a process of receiving feedback from the community, encouraging all to engage with the initial document that we are due to release within the next two weeks. This document will contain one question related to each goal that is also linked to the Synod of Bishops 2023 process. This process will be aligned with the Pastoral Discernment Central Coast project in a way where both processes will run congruently and complement one another. Those in the Central Coast who contribute to the PDCC process will – through their contribution – be giving feedback relating to the Pastoral Mission and Synod process as the questions covered in each process will correspond. We, therefore, particularly invite those in the community from the two other regions of our Diocese to engage with this Pastoral Mission process. In this way, all in the community will have the chance to engage with the Pastoral Mission as well as the Synod of Bishops 2023. Further information on this will be forthcoming.

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