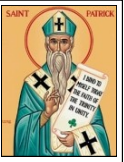


'Seek God, Find God, Embrace God in Jesus'



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Entrance Antiphon: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep and mine know me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

4th Sunday of Easter Year C

Acts 13:14, 43-52;
Rev 7:9, 14-17;
Jn 10:27-30

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

Up to and including **Sat. 2 July 2022**
there will be **ONE Morning Mass**
only on weekdays

St Patrick's	9am
	Mon ~ Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat
St Bernard's	9am
	Wed ~ Fri

RECONCILIATION

Saturday	9.30am	St Patrick's
Friday	After 9am	Mass St Bernard's

Emergency sick calls
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(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.*

Voice Followers

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If you have a look at a map of the world and look for Cyprus and then go across the Mediterranean Sea to the Turkish coast and then travel 100 miles over mountains, one comes to Antioch in Psidia – the setting for today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

If Paul had never gone there, we might never be here!

But Paul did go there, and we are here!

What do I mean?

Paul and Barnabas, being of Jewish stock, spoke about the gospel in the Synagogue at Antioch. They got such a rough reception – such abuse and slander – that they said this to their Jewish audience:

**'It was necessary to speak the Word of God to you first.
Since you are rejecting it... we are turning to the Gentiles!'**

'Gentiles' is simply the word for non-Jews. You and I are Gentiles – part of the non-Jewish world. We are the sort of Christians we are, precisely because of Paul. He became the strongest advocate of the grace that the early Christian community should be inclusive of all nations and tribes and ethnic groups on the face of the earth.

Christianity could have remained a Jewish sect, but because of Paul your identity as a Christian does not depend on being Jewish.

We are '**Catholic**' Christians precisely because of Paul.

Catholic is simply the word for universal. Clearly, the Catholic Church is universal in terms of geographical reach, but is it truly universal?

We have all heard of Médecins sans Frontières – Doctors without Borders.

We should be the same in the Catholic Church. We have the potential. But at the moment we are too Euro-centric. What riches of intellectual traditions, cultural expressions, and organisational structure are we still to receive from the Chinese, the Korean, the Indonesians, the Africans, the Indian Catholics who are part of our '**Church without Borders**'?

And now we have a non-European Pope! Pope Francis comes from South America which has its own way to celebrate and understand and live the Gospel.

And there is further reason for hope. This is the first truly global generation – with internet blogs and chat rooms, with unparalleled opportunities and means to travel.

And Catholic Christianity, embracing the huge range of ethnic diversity, is the perfect vehicle for the expression of the spiritual dimension of their common humanity. A global church for global citizens!

How do we maintain unity and identity amongst such diversity? By listening for the voice of the Good Shepherd, Our Lord Jesus Christ. That is what today's Gospel tells us.

For Australians, this is hard to visualise correctly. We think of a large mob of sheep with no individuality being herded by whips and dogs.

By contrast, the flock in Jesus' time was quite small – 20-30 animals – and the shepherd in Jesus' time, and still today around the hills of Jerusalem, calls each sheep by name and leads from the front – they follow his voice to the pastures which will nourish them.

In all our diversity, that is who we are – Voice-followers.

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Vol. Office Assist: Jan Favaloro / Vol. Sacramental Team: Peta & Phill

Sacramental Team Email: kccpsacraments@gmail.com

'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**

**4th Sunday of Easter
Year C**

Monday 09/05

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday 10/05

Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday 11/05

Acts 12:24-13:5; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday 12/05

Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

Friday 13/05

Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday 14/05 ~ Feast

St Matthias, apostle

Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Jn 15:9-17

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Tom Dawson, Juanita Casey,
Clare Hopkins, John Bonnici,
Andrew Italiano, Peter Brooks,
Fr John Worthington SM,

ANNIVERSARIES:

Marion Berry, Moya Dawson,
Peter O'Halloran;
Alfredo De Ramos

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE

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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Georgina Hughes, Jeanette
Bakker, Mary Burns, 'Roy',
Rey Hilario, Patrick Dorahy,
Rosemary Pendlebury-Grainger,
Roger Okell, Barbara Jones,
Jean Cook, Patrick O'Donoghue,
Brian Treacy, Fr Thomas Philip
OSH, John Cosgrove (Snr),
Josef, Marie Haag, Elaine
Longmuir, Sally Agnew.

OTHER: Aubrey Bijen



**Pope's intention
for May:
Faith-Filled
Young People;**

We pray for all young people,
called to live life to the fullest;
may they see in Mary's life the
way to listen, the depth of
discernment, the courage that
faith generates, and the
dedication to service.

The 250 Club!

Week 12: 02/05/22;

Winning No: 332;

Amt: \$25.00;

Winner: Unfinancial

*It's easy to join the 250 Club.
Call the office for more details*



It's May and you know what that means ... it's time for the ANNUAL MAY MASS COUNT



Every year in May a count of all parishioners is taken at all weekend Masses and a report returned to the Diocese of BB. The count commences this weekend, and we trust this will be undertaken with minimal devotional disturbance. *Thank you for your understanding.*

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None of us is born tone-deaf to the voice of Our Lord, the Good Shepherd.

But it takes a good teacher to help us hear the voice in the clamour of life.

Some of those teachers may be found amongst the official assistant-shepherds in the Church – the Bishops who carry a crozier, which is a shepherd's staff.

But at least in my experience the best assistant-shepherds have been my parents, an Anglican Priest, a Catholic Dominican Friar at Oxford, and the inspirational Dr Martin Luther King Jr.

They have all been assistant-shepherds to the One Good Shepherd – Our Lord Jesus Christ – who says about you and says about me, the Gentiles in the Catholic Church:

'My sheep listen to my voice, and I recognise them, and they follow me; and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish, and no one shall snatch them from my hand.'

That is a voice worth following!



PLEASE NOTE

Our thanks are extended to Fr John Puliparambil for being our spiritual shepherd over the last week or so, it has been lovely to have you with us Fr John.

A warm KCCP welcome to Fr Andrew Murray

Fr Andrew Murray sm is a Marist Father, who trained in philosophy and spent most of his life teaching at the Catholic Institute of Sydney at Manly and Strathfield. He retired from his full-time position in 2016 but continues to pursue his interest in the Pacific Islands.

Fr Andrew also does occasional parish relief, and for this we are very grateful!

Celebrants for this Weekend's Masses	7th / 8th May	Fr Joy Thomas and Fr John Puliparambil
Celebrants for the following Weekend Masses	14th / 15th May 21st / 22nd May 28th / 29th May	Fr Joy Thomas and Fr Andrew Murray

Welcome Home Fr Joy! Our own very good shepherd!

We missed you! and we are so pleased that you have been returned to us safe and sound;
We are happy to hear that the Chapter Meeting of the OSH Congregation was so successful;
and delighted that you had time to catch up with your mum, siblings and friends after 3 years!
As to the news you bring us of Fr Shaju, the only words suitable appear to come from the Bible ...

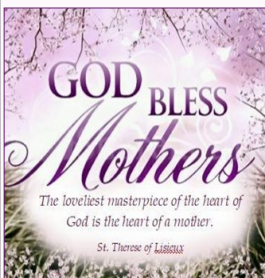
"When you make a vow to God, do not delay fulfilling it; for he has no pleasure in fools.

Fulfill what you vow." [Ecclesiastes 5:4]

It would seem that Fr Shaju is again fulfilling his vow ~ he is indeed a most Obedient Oblate.

Mother's Day Prayer ~ Loving God, You wrap your arms around your people

and show your everlasting love in the same way a mother loves her children.



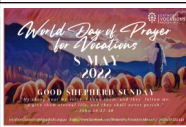
We are grateful for the love you have taught us through the mothers in our lives:

- ♥ Our own mother who brought us into this world,
- ♥ The mothers of friends who have welcomed us into their homes and families,
- ♥ Our grandmothers who took time for us, and the
- ♥ Mothers who have helped us even though we were not their children.

Bless all the mothers of this world today.

May they know the fullness of love they have shared and be blessed every day of their lives. **Amen.**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



- ✦ Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations.
- ✦ Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- ✦ Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- ✦ Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- ✦ Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- ✦ Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.



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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, Fr Shaju.

A somewhat *bittersweet* message to The parishioners of Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish.

Dear parishioners,

I have news to share with you of Fr Shaju. It is wonderful news but also has an element of sadness.



As you know, all priests of OSH returned to India in April to attend the Chapter Meeting of our Congregation. At the meeting, elections were held for various 'Offices' and I have been entrusted to tell you that ...

Fr Shaju John Chamapara
is the newly elected

Vicar General of the Society of the Oblates of the Sacred Heart [OSH]

As arranged, Fr Shaju will return to us here in KCCP after his holiday but only for a short time. This is because the Office of Vicar General requires Fr Shaju to reside permanently in the Mother House of our Congregation in Sacred Heart Mount, Monastery, Kottayam, Kerala, India.

Fr Shaju will consult with Bishop Anthony when he is back here and will be with us long enough to settle his affairs and say fond farewells. He will then return to India towards the end of July to begin this new role in his priestly life.

A suitable send off for Fr Shaju will be arranged and more details will follow via the bulletin as they come to hand.

I am confident that you join me in wishing Fr Shaju well. Please keep him in your daily prayers, giving thanks for what he has done for this parish and strength for what he will do for OSH members as their VG and the parishioners of Sacred Heart Mount Monastery Parish as their Parish Priest.

May God bless you all, Fr Joy Thomas Kunnasserry.

"Therefore, brothers and sisters, be all the more eager to confirm your call and election, for if you do this, you will never stumble." [2 Peter 1:10]

In May we duly honour our Heavenly Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Hail Mary ~ The Hail Mary is a well-loved and beautiful basic Catholic prayer. It's one of the essential prayers to Virgin Mary. It combines two lines from Scripture (Lk 1:28 & Lk 1:42) with a humble request for Mary to pray for us.



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Memorare ~ The Memorare is a beautiful prayer that expresses our confidence in the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is attributed to St. Bernard of Clairvaux, one of our very own patron saints!

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my Mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful; O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



As part of the celebrations for *Laudato Si* week (16-24 May 2022), the Australian

Catholic Bishops Conference have released resources to assist us to enter the spirit of the week and reflect on how we can care for creation. This week is both a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si* as well as a call to action. The Justice, Ecology and Peace Office has created resources to assist you with your reflection. Contact the parish office for a link to the resources. Please note – the dates for *Laudato Si* week in Australia, as flagged in the ACBC social justice statement, are 16 – 24 May 2022. This differs from the Vatican's celebration of the week during 22-29 May 2022.

**St Mark's Anglican Church Berowra, on behalf of,
The Combined Christian Churches of Berowra,
invite you to attend a ...**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS PRESENTATION

Hosted by St Mark's Anglican Church, Berowra

Snr Constable Natasha Doggett and representatives from the Hornsby Kuring-gai Women's Shelter will share their knowledge of domestic abuse and support services.

Thursday May 26th 7:30pm

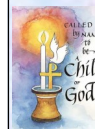
18 Berowra Waters Road, Berowra

Event is for ages 16+

Attendees will learn about

- The Dynamics of Domestic Violence
- Police Attendance
- AVO's
- Court Processes
- Survivor Resources
- Supporting Loved Ones.

St Marks Anglican Church
18 Berowra Waters Road, Berowra
Phone: 02 9456 4498



Welcome to our
Faith Family

Baptism
congratulations to

**Oliver Andrew
Watson**

who is to be baptised this weekend.

Please keep him,
his parents and Godparents
in your prayers.

ADVANCE NOTICE

**Just because things have
been a little hectic with
priests away,
the May 2022
Pastoral Works Appeal
will not take place until the
WEEKEND OF
May 21st/22nd.**

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**Children's
Choir @St
Patrick's is
back!**

**and is singing TODAY at
the 10am Mass.**

Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Regular weekly practices take place from 4 to 5pm every Friday during school terms, in St Patrick's church.

If your child is in Year 3 or above, and they would like to be part of an active, service-oriented, friendly, multi-age group that sings, learns all sorts of musical skills, plays games, makes friends and serves its parish community in music and song, bring them along!

All welcome, no previous musical skills required.

Volunteers needed to help supervise Children's Choir practices, Fridays during school terms, 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church.

Must hold a current WWCC number.

For all enquiries please contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND – 14 May / 15 May 2022 — Fifth Sunday of Easter — Year C
Acts 14:21-27; Rev 21:1-5; Jn 13:31-35

	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	Phil Daidone	Malcolm Cross	Keith Fone
Reader (1)	Alodie Wheeler	Isaac Tonkin	Celia Cox	Michael Halliday	David De-Fina	Fiona Fone
Reader (2)	Sophia Smith	Freya Tonkin	Paul Worthington	Mary Stokes	Elizabeth Fernandes	Les Fogden
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter, Cecilia Waite (f), Anne Bourke (s)		Meralyn Tarte, Lea Mead, Barbara Folkard, Michelle Hwang (f), Leticia Wee, Michelle Blanco,			
Maintenance	Team A & B — <i>additional help always appreciated</i>		Patrick Dias— HELP PLEASE - this group now has only 1 member —volunteer today pls!			

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*.

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

Learning Hub: If you are new to your role or would like to find out more about Safeguarding please email

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au OR copy & paste the following address into your browser to read through the Diocesan Commitment to Safeguarding: https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ArticleDocuments/12548/COMMITMENT_A3.pdf.aspx or

Community News: Children and Young People with Disability Australia (CYDA) are conducting a 'Vibe check' – what are you feeling and experiencing during the Omicron COVID-19 wave? Under 25's are welcome to complete the survey and have their say. To access the survey please copy & paste the following address into your browser:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScrJERtqcN0XyVuLO-ay9RLvF740XxsfeCFyDC0dAH-TyfzTA/viewform>



Ukraine Appeal As we see on a daily basis, the people of Ukraine are still desperate for our support. They need food, water, clothing (especially for women and children) and medical supplies. Many aid organisations have responded. If you can contribute, visit the webpages of any of the opposite organisations.



Family Connect and Support (FCS) is a state wide voluntary service for children, young people and families who need support to maintain a safe and positive family environment. It helps families who may be experiencing vulnerability or who require some level of support before issues escalate. It works on a networking model, connecting families with local services with expertise in areas such as:

Parenting challenges	Financial stress	Substance use	Family breakdown	Housing issues	Mental health
Domestic and family violence ... and more.					

We stay connected with you until you're matched to the right services or support. Please call [1800 066 757](tel:1800066757) or visit www.catholiccareddb.org.au

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