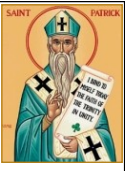


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH



Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 23rd April 2023 ~ 3rd Sunday of Easter ~ Year A

Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pet 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Entrance: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us,
make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

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

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
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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.*



ANZAC Day 25 April

every year.

Please join us on

**Tuesday for 9am
Mass at St Patrick's,
Asquith.**

As we gather each year to commemorate that first **ANZAC Day** in 1915 and all it has come to mean for our nation; as we pray for eternal life for those who have died in service of this country and in the hope of a better future; as we intercede, likewise, for the injured and the grieving and those presently in harm's way; so also we pray never to be tested as they were tested and never to romanticise what tested them.

We pray that if and when the hour comes that 'our soul is troubled' (Jn 12:27), as theirs was, that we shall prove worthy of them and of the country for which they fought.

When our time comes, may we be glorified as Christ was, and as were all His own: not by worldly triumphs but by the victory which is holding fast to what is true and good and beautiful, standing by your mates, your family, your country and your character.

Extract from edited text of homily of Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP at the ANZAC Day Vigil Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, 24/4/17.



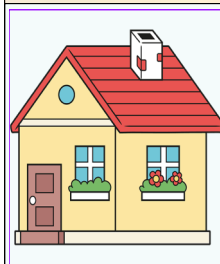
Ode of Remembrance

*They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them.*

Lest we forget.

**Join Bishop Anthony next Tuesday 25 April for our Anzac Day Mass of commemoration
at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Waitara at 10.30am**

when we pray that the service and sacrifice offered by so many has not been in vain
and that their spirit may live on in us, and in generations to come.



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 through 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. To make a time for us to visit you, please contact the parish office. *Fr Biju.*

PASTORAL CENTRE (Parish Office)

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Diocese of Broken Bay Australia

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*'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 April:

For a culture of peace and non violence:

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons of States and citizens.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS and PRAYERS

Eastertide Year A

Monday 24/04

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday 25/04

Anzac Day

Wis 3:1-9; 1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 12:23-28

Wednesday 26/04

1 Pet 5:5-14; Mk 16:15-20

Thursday 27/04

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Friday 28/04 ~ Memorial

St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday 29/04 ~ Memorial

St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Carol Pereira, Joe Alphonso, Esmie Braganza, Beni Viola, Simon Peter Cripps, Imelda Santillan.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Tom Dawson, Moya Dawson, Peter O'Halloran, Andrew Italiano, Peter Brooks, Dorothy O'Sullivan

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Those suffering from Covid-19 - that it is brought under control and eliminated as a health risk.

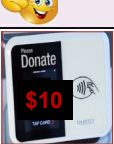
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

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

The 250 Club! Week 9 – 17/04/23;

Amt: \$25; Winning Number: 209;

Winner: **Colleen Goudie!**



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.

Companionable Breaking of Bread © Fr Michael Tate

There is a bakery-café not far from here called 'Pane Cucina' – 'Bread Kitchen' in Italian.

Think of the word 'companion' and you can see the 'pan' sandwiched in there: a 'companion' is a 'with bread' person – a bread-sharer – someone with whom you would be happy to 'break bread together'.



Two men are on the road to Emmaus, and find themselves joined by a traveller. He is anonymous but it is his deepest nature to be a companion, and they will come to know him precisely when they break bread together.

Their story is the story of each one of us at the Mass. In fact, each Mass is structured on, is a recapitulation of, the Road to Emmaus travelogue.

1. The two men should have stayed in Jerusalem in solidarity with the other dispirited disciples, but they set off on a frolic of their own.

At the beginning of Mass we confess that we have gone off course, sometimes very deliberately, more commonly just negligently. Our Lord walks alongside us, even when we find ourselves travelling in the wrong direction. At this stage Our Lord is a listener. He wants to hear about where we are. There should be no pretence, no contrived piety. He has all the time in the world to hear us out.

2. Then the traveller helped the men on the road to Emmaus understand what had happened to Jesus of Nazareth. **How?** By showing how God's plan for human beings revealed in the Hebrew Scriptures related to the shocking trauma of the crucifixion of the 'prophet mighty in word and deed'. It was not the end of hope, but the prelude to glory.

Reflecting on this, the disciples said: 'Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us...?'

At this stage of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Word, we hear the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures expounded. They reveal more fully the true identity of Jesus of Nazareth.

Every so often, perhaps not commonly, you will experience the burning sensation in your heart as something that is said hits home, resonates with you, penetrates your soul.

Our Lord heard your story. You have heard his. You want more of Him to enter your story.

3. And so we come to the high point of companionship. The two disciples invite their anonymous fellow-traveller to share a meal. He agrees, but becomes *their* host! Around the table *they* become *his* guests!

He takes bread, blesses it, and gives it to them to eat.

And, in that moment of bread-sharing, of the deepest com-pan-ionship, the two men had their eyes opened and recognised their travelling companion as the Risen Lord.

It is in the breaking of the bread with his followers that the Risen Lord Jesus is most profoundly and truly present. This is the Real Presence. Our Risen Lord is the Bread of Life. Eat the bread consecrated at Mass, and we receive into our very being the Divine Companion for our journey through life.

And so, at every Mass we follow the pattern of today's gospel:

Telling the Lord where we are at on the journey of life,

Listening to scriptures to understand God's plan for humanity, preparing us:

to gather at the Table of the Divine Companion,

to gather at the Table where Host and Food are one,

to gather at the Table where our eyes are opened and we recognise Our Risen Lord Jesus Christ in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia!



World Youth Day (WYD) Mother's Day Raffle
[Drawn Sunday May 14th after the 10am Mass at St Patrick's, Asquith]

Tickets NOW ON SALE !!

Be sure you get your tickets and be in the running to win an amazing gift.

We will be out and about over the next 3 w/ends selling tickets for 3 hugely impressive and beautiful gift baskets.

Tickets prices: 1 for \$5 ~ 3 for \$10 ~ 8 for \$20

If we're not outside your preferred Mass this weekend don't worry, we should be there the following weekend.

We really appreciate your support in our WYD preparations and ask that you keep us in your prayers in the lead up and during our pilgrimage to WYD 2023 in Lisbon!

Thanks again for supporting us, Rebecca, Rachel, Sophia and Michael.



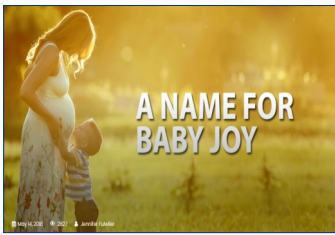
Spotlight on a KCCP Pilgrim ~ Michael Dalton

Hi - My name's Michael Dalton. I'm in Year 11 at St Leo's Catholic College in Wahroonga.

I've been a member of the parish Children's Choir for nearly 8 years now and with this parish for my whole life. For the last few years I've also been playing piano at various masses and singing with the Select Choir. I'm really looking forward to World Youth Day later this year as a chance to broaden and extend my faith, meeting new people, and sharing my music!

Have you ever had a 'God moment'? by 'That Woman in the Office' ~ Twito

Mine are more like 'Holy Spirit moments' as he is the one I call on when I get stuck 'doing the bulletin'. This week a planned piece for the bulletin didn't pan out and I was looking for something to replace it. Having rummaged through my desk I came upon a magazine I had kept called 'Shalom Tidings Australia' which is a bi-monthly Catholic Magazine and this particular issue is from May / June 2018!! On page 17 is a piece entitled 'A Name for Baby Joy' by Jennifer Fulwiler, so I figured with Mother's Day approaching it might be worth a read for the bulletin in a couple of weeks time, but when I read it I had that 'Holy Spirit moment' I eluded to earlier. It wasn't so much the mother/baby part that had me thanking the Holy Spirit but the coincidence of my finding this story perfect for this weekend's bulletin. Here is the story:



A Name for Baby Joy © Jennifer Fulwiler

Why did my older children insist that the new baby's name must be "Joy?" It was the strangest thing: one day when I was still pregnant, my four-year-old son got it into his head that "Joy" was the baby's name and he has not backed down since. When guests refer to her by her real name, he or my two-year-old will adamantly correct them that she is to be called "Joy." They have been so insistent that our family has just given up and officially given her that nickname. Meanwhile, her real name is Catherine.

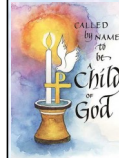
It is odd because Catherine was never a name I felt drawn to - it was not even on the list for consideration with my other daughters. Yet as soon as I found out that this baby was a girl, I knew that that was her name. We never seriously discussed any other options. I did not feel like I was choosing a name for her as much as it seemed like I was just articulating the name she already had.

I wondered if perhaps there was a reason for this, so I prayed to know if there was any particular saint named Catherine whom she was supposed to be named after. Soon after I said that prayer, a package with a painting of Saint Catherine of Siena arrived in the mail. My uncle had been travelling Italy. He just so happened to be in Siena on the day she was born so he got the picture of the famous saint for the baby. He did not know what day she was going to be born—it was just a "coincidence" that he was in Siena that day. I figured that was probably an indicator that she was meant to be named after Catherine of Siena, but wished I had a little more certainty. Then, while researching something unrelated, I came across the biography of Catherine of Siena. My jaw dropped when I read: her family gave her the pet name of Euphrosyne, which is Greek for Joy. I guess that answers the question.

So why did I ask Father's permission to include this article in this weekend's bulletin? Coincidences of course! 'Researching for something unrelated' I came across this article all about St Catherine of Siena. 'My jaw dropped' when I realised that next Saturday 29 April is ... **the Feast Day St Catherine of Siena!!!** It would appear that the Holy Spirit knew what I needed more than I did myself! and I thought it might be nice to share this 'special Holy Spirit moment' with you! :) Twito

Position to be filled ~ Diocesan Pastoral Discernment Project Facilitator ~ looking for the ideal candidate

As part of the 35th anniversary of the Diocese of Broken Bay, in August 2021, Bishop Anthony Randazzo invited the Diocesan region of the Central Coast to participate in a project of pastoral discernment. The Central Coast region was identified as the first of the three geographic regions to undertake this project which was undertaken in 2022. As part of this discernment, now completed for the Central coast and envisaged for the Northern Beaches and North Shore of the Diocese, of paramount importance is to recognise the each of the local region's particular pastoral circumstances, opportunities, and challenges. The process of pastoral discernment envisages a sustained and prayerful study of the various factors which give our three geographic regions (Central Coast, Northern Beaches and North Shore) its unique character. The aim of this initiative is to renew the life of the Church in each of these regions of the Diocese, ensuring a sustainable and thriving ecclesial community. You may be aware that in December 2022 the Central Coast pastoral discernment was completed with the Final Report and Executive Summary publicly available. Having considered the findings of the Central Coast project, Bishop Anthony has appointed a Task Group to consider the Central Coast Report and to make recommendations to him with respect to the implementation of the findings of the Report. The work of the Task Group will be undertaken throughout 2023. Concurrently to discerning the recommendations of the Central Coast Pastoral Discernment Project, the Diocese is now also turning its focus to implementing the discernment project and process for the Northern Beaches region. In respect of both the work of the Central Coast Implementation Task Group and launching the discernment project for the Northern Beaches region, we are recruiting for a **Diocesan Pastoral Discernment Project Facilitator**. The appointment of the **Diocesan Pastoral Discernment Project Facilitator** will: act as an **Executive Officer**, assisting the newly appointed **Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Implementation Task Group** in the formulation and implementation of the recommendations from the Central Coast Discernment Project; and coordinate and facilitate strategic planning in preparation for the **Northern Beaches Pastoral Discernment Project**. This is a **full-time position** for a **maximum term of two years**. The role requires a candidate with tertiary qualifications in theology, ministry, social science or a related discipline, supported by at least five years in pastoral planning and/or project management in a Church context and experience in planning of evangelisation practices in diocesan and parish contexts. You will have an understanding that this is integral to ministry in a Catholic setting and experience working in close collaboration with parishes and agencies of the Catholic Church, notably clergy and community consultation and the facilitation of large and small groups. Your proven record in project-based research and business case methodology will speak to your high-level organisational skills and the ability to collate and distil large volumes of complex information. With consideration of the unique characteristics of the Northern Beaches region it is important that the successful candidate has a strong familiarity, identification or presence from within the northern beaches area. For more information please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au for an **Information Pack** including for details on how to apply. **Applications close Thursday, 18 May 2023**



Welcome to our Faith Family

Baptism congratulations to

Ella Mary Muscat

Sebastian Frederick Derek

Lewis

Paul Edward Lewis

Monique Patricia

Lindsay

Tristan Dehn

Lindsay

Aviette Doreen

Lindsay

Sophie May

Newson

who are to be baptised this weekend.

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

- WELCOME - BACK TO SCHOOL

Welcome back to our students and Teachers for Term 2. We hope you are all ready for the challenges and the fun stuff which await you over the next 10 weeks and we look forward to seeing you all at Mass. Have a happy term!



Children's Choir @ St Patrick's

Back to school means back to choir practise - yay!

Next Choir practice: 4-5pm in St Patrick's Church, Fri. 28 April.
Next Choir Mass: As April has 5 Sundays this year it will be on **Sunday 14 May at 10am.**

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.

If interested in joining: Please call Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.

Rosters & Readings for Weekend – 29th / 30th April 2023 - 4th Sunday of Easter—Year A - Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10

	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	Volunteer needed	Sue Lum	John Messina	Malcolm Cross	Darrin Patterson
Altar Servers	Archie Tod Harry Tod	Verity Hartman Bronte Tonkin	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed	Lucy Henao Vila Joshua Telford	Volunteer needed Volunteer needed
Reader (1)	Genevieve Funk	Isaac Tonkin	Penny Loughland	Jim Fitzgerald	Simone Noel	Sue Lum
Reader (2)	Anne Maree Hutchins	Denise Harant	Miguel Do Rego	Michael Halliday	Mary Stokes	Volunteer needed
Sacristy/Cleaning/ Flowers	Paul Waite, Sarah Jane Sibelja, Cecilia (f), Gwen Wood (s)		Pat Smith, Ellen Downey (f), Marion Pahalawatta			
Maintenance	Teams A & B (help always needed & appreciated)		April: Les Fogden, Graham Palmer, Richard Fellow (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*.

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Open Days at Catholic Schools Broken Bay

We invite our parents and carers to visit our Open Days at one of our many vibrant and enriching learning environments within Catholic Schools Broken Bay. We have 44 schools with K-12 pathways spanning the Central Coast, Sydney's Northern Beaches and the North Shore *educating 17,000 students across our schools*. To find Open Days near you and register visit <https://bit.ly/3xjYf77> For more about our schools visit <https://bit.ly/3ISZJvT>



The **March edition of the Broken Bay News (BBN)** is **available now** at the back of both our churches.



This edition features articles on:
 ✦ 'Countdown to Broken Bay Magnify Pilgrimage and WYD23'
 ✦ 'Religious Education—A Special Mission of the Church'
 ✦ 'Tributes to Pope Benedict XVI and Cardinal George Pell'
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