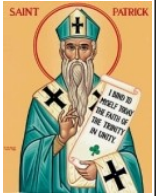


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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

Diocese of Broken Bay ~ 11th October 2020 ~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A
Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14



Entrance Antiphon: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Communion Antiphon: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

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'

Wedding Garments at Baptisms! © Fr Michael Tate

If Eddie McGuire sent you and your family an invitation to a Collingwood luncheon, all expenses paid, of course you might reject it out of hostility or indifference, but if you went, I bet you would find something black and white to wear. Even the baby in your arms would probably wear a black and white beanie.

It would be a show of gratitude, of being willing to dress up for the occasion.

This is only a parable! But you get the point, Eddie would expect you to make an effort. That is what the king in the gospel parable expected. The king who is God had invited all to come into the great banquet hall of his Kingdom. Some were indifferent, or openly hostile and they rejected the invitation.

The servants of the king went out and gathered in 'all whom they found, good and evil alike'. They respond, drawn by the attractive prospect of sharing in the life of the Lord of the Feast, and they are welcomed, whether good or evil. We don't have to first prove ourselves good and worthy of Divine Love who is seeking us out. God simply ardently loves us. And so the invitation and the welcome is extended to all.

By the way, this is why Catholics believe in infant baptism. There is nothing the baby brings apart from its beautiful existence. Proof of capacity to understand all that is happening is not required. It is sufficient that the baby be surrounded by the faith of parents and the local church community.

At the baptisms of infants, it is always a nice moment when the godparents help put a white shawl around the shoulders of the baby or little child. It may have been used for the baptism of a grandmother present at the ceremony, or be completely new. With teenagers or adults, I ask them to be ready at this point in the ritual to change into a white shirt or blouse or at least drape a white scarf around their shoulders.

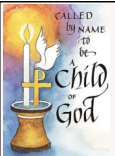
So, at every baptism, we look for a signal of commitment to respond to the spirit of the occasion, by the wearing of a white garment.

This is the point of the king's (God's) question to the wedding guest. He asks the guest: **'My friend, how come you are here without a wedding garment?'** The guest might have replied: **'Because of dire poverty'**, or **'Lack of time'**, but the story goes on, **'But the guest was silent'**. The guest was tongue-tied because he was caught out having decided not to enter into the spirit of the occasion.

The wearing of the white garment by the newly baptised indicates that they are appropriately attired for their sacramental presence in the banquet hall of God's kingdom. At a later stage in life, Holy Communion will be offered: a real foretaste of the Great Banquet of Heaven. Until we reach that ultimate banquet, let us constantly enter into the Spirit of the occasion wearing the garment of our baptismal commitment in the way we live and thus remain forever in the Banquet Hall of the King of the Feast.



Reflection by Artist © Jenny Close
The generosity of God and human self-interest are at odds in the parable of the marriage feast: a free invitation is answered with outrageous and insulting refusals. This is an extension of last week's idea that the kingdom will be taken from those who are not worthy. By contrast, the ability to accept God's open-handed invitation with reciprocal generosity is shown to be a worthy attribute.



Talking about Baptism: Is your child over 8 years old and not yet Baptised? **IT'S NOT TOO LATE!**

You can still bring your child to Baptism ~ the introduction of a person into the Church community.

Through the waters of Baptism your child will enter into the life of God - Father, Son and Spirit.

He or she is dedicated to God and all that is good. **For more information contact the parish office on 9456 2450.**



October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

Please join us as we continue to pray ~ 10 Days of The Rosary at St Patrick's Asquith @ 7pm

Every day up to and including Wednesday 14 October

Starting 7pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; followed by The Rosary; followed by Silent Prayer; followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet; finishing with Benediction at 7.45pm; **Concluding at 8pm.**



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Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp

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Parish Priest Fr Shaju John, OSH

Assistant Priest Fr Joy Thomas, OSH

Parish Secretary Margaret Cooper

Bookkeeper Karen Price

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 4m² requirement]

St Patrick's: 100 persons

at St Bernard's: 60 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 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
Monday 12/10**

Mass *ad libitum*
Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31 -5:1;
Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday 13/10

Mass *ad libitum*
Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday 14/10

Mass *ad libitum*
Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday 15/10 ~ Memorial
St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor**

Mass of the Saint
Preface of weekday or saint
Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11: 47-54

Friday 16/10

Mass *ad libitum*
Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

**Saturday 17/10~ Memorial
St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr**

Mass of the Saint
Preface of the weekday or saint
Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michael Carney,
Maryanne Weri, Kerrin Enright, Lance
Roper, Anna Schiavo, Maureen Brophy,
Kevin Carmody

ANNIVERSARIES: Patrick O'Halloran,
Czesia and Hehiu, Seon & Jadwiga
Piepriyk, Krystyna and Dionizy Piepriyk,
Pam Spooner, Chrissie Butterworth

*Please advise the office
if names can be deleted
from the sick list.*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Anne Brady,
Sr Tincy Thomas, Nemia Camille Asiong,
Stephen C C, Ann Cochrane, Marie O'Hare,
Rodney Porter, Araceli 'Chichi' Datoc,
Craig Sequeira, Shirley Kelynack,
Judy Farrell, Dan Leavy, Margaret Hinton,
John Cosgrove (Snr), Alfredo R De Ramos,
Doug Hawkins, Felicity Fone, Antonio,
Anna Nicholson, Graeme Kachel,
Pat Bowden, Peter Brooks, Brian Treacy,
Erick Enriquez, Charles Abela, Penny Rigor,
Jaz Pitts, Elaine Estrellado, Maureen
Sharpe, Jwona Nowak, Irena Fellmann,
Elaine Longmuir, Michael McGauley,
Estrellado, Cathy Gleeson, Georgia Meyers,
Rosalinga de Ramos, Angela Smith,
Matthew Franklin, Jeanette Bakker,
Ewa Rakozy, Jean Cook, Betty Borg,
Morrie Ramsden, Brian Neary,
Edwina Subramany, Aiko Concepcion,
John Buckley, Ellen Asistente, Kath Lock,
Arlene Joson, Sam Calacoci, John Macy,
Barbara Jones, Cadia Maestri,
Marcelina De Ramos, Matthew Conlon,
Patrick Dorahy, Tom Dawson,
Narelle Cartwright, Mary Fernandes,
Patricia Sanders, Monique Leyden,
Frederick Novak, Alfredo De Ramos Sr,
Barbara & Maciej Maciejewski

A letter to the People of God in the Diocese of Broken Bay ~ [6 October 2020]

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Last Sunday at the tomb of Saint Francis of Assisi, our Holy Father Francis signed the third encyclical of his pontificate. It is called "Fratelli tutti" and in the letter Pope Francis takes up the theme of fraternity and social friendship. "Fratelli tutti" is a literal quotation from Saint Francis of Assisi, who, as the Pope immediately explains: "... addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel." (FT 1) I think that what will be important for us as the community of the Church of Broken Bay, is to reflect prayerfully, not just on the thoughts and words of the encyclical, but also upon our own circumstances in the Diocese and in the society in which we live. In Chapter One, there is an obvious reference to shadows over the closed world which are spreading and leaving people injured by the roadside, cast out, and discarded. These shadows plunge people into confusion, loneliness, and desolation. Dare I say that these shadows existed before the COVID-19 pandemic. Within the Church there is at times division, animosity, and antagonism amongst members who call themselves brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ. I have people from within our community who write to me selectively quoting bits and pieces of Church teaching to support their viewpoint or the ideology that they desire to promote. I am glad that people are reading the teachings of the Church, however, I would be even more grateful if people read them with an open mind and heart, with the desire to engage in fruitful and respectful dialogue, and within the context in which they were written. I suppose that this is an ongoing discipline that each one of us might need to attend to, in a spirit of fraternity and social friendship. If we are able to love one another, how much more effect will our witness to the Gospel be to the world? Pope Francis reminds us that knowing how to dialogue is the way to open the world and build social friendship (cf FT Chapter Six) which manifests an open heart and provides the basis for better politics. Dialogue gives rise to the culture of encounter, which becomes a passionate way of life. People who dialogue are generous, recognising, and respectful of others. Time and time again in the Gospels, Jesus engages people through dialogue. Dialogue is animated by love and requires active listening as well as speaking. The Holy Father offers us an opportunity for growth, as individuals and as a community of faith. He recalls that encounter is not enough. We have to face the reality of the injuries of past mis-encounters, and so we have to establish and walk paths of re-encounter (cf FT Chapter Seven). Wounds need healing. As individuals and as a community we need both to seek and to offer forgiveness (cf Luke 15:11-32). The Pope urges us to be daring and to start from the truth, which is the inseparable companion of justice and mercy. Page 2/2 A final thought is the reminder that for us Christians, the source of human dignity and fraternity is the Good News of Jesus Christ. Our inspiration to be faithful, active, and committed is always the joy of the Gospel. Pope Francis invites us to make our own the world's desire for fraternity, beginning with the recognition that we are all brothers and sisters – Fratelli tutti. Peace be with you, + *Anthony*



SOLEMN VESPERS

On Sunday 4 October,
Sam French,
Aldrin Valdehueva and
Roger Delmonte
made their public
Profession of Faith,
Oath of Fidelity and
Commitment to Celibacy
in the Cathedral,
so that the community of
the Church can participate
and accompany them on
their vocational journey.



*Congratulations to all three men,
who will be ordained to the Order of Deacons this month.*



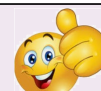
Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October: The Laity's Mission in the Church
We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women,
may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.



Your 'Tap' Helps our Parish 'Go' on. We
deeply appreciate the financial support of the
parishioners and visitors to Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic
Parish. **No Cash? No problem!** One machine at
Asquith is set to \$5 per tap and the other is set to \$10 per tap. Our
single machine at Berowra Heights is set to \$10 per tap.
Thank you for your generosity.
Donations made help to cover ongoing church maintenance costs.

The 250 Club!

**Week 5: 06/10/20 ~ Winning No.: 746 ~
Amt: \$25.00 ~ Thomas & Imm Lui**



**OUR BANK
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RECONNECT



"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ."
1 Corinthians 12:12

Four members of our Parish Council have volunteered to head-up a new parish ministry. An **OUTREACH GROUP** has been established to build upon the existing community feeling within our parish and make it even better! This is in response to a range of concerns which have come to light during these difficult times and so, they will be reaching out to the isolated, lonely, bereaved and disconnected among us.

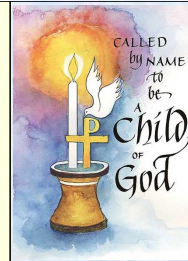
This group will be known as **"RECONNECT"**

It's motto is ... *"We are here for you!"* Its aim is ... **to listen, to talk, to care, to share.**
The team are ... **Moauli Griffiths, Freda Alaalatoa, Sue Lum and Jerome Gomez.**

Just so you know, you may receive a phone call from one of the above just to say 'G'day'. Fr Shaju has provided phone numbers to these "authorised PPC members" under the terms of our privacy collection policy and your privacy will be strictly guarded by "Reconnect" only being shared with others if you have given prior permission.

What we want to know is ... "Is there anything "Reconnect" can do for you?" eg ...

* Assistance with meals * A lift to Mass * A regular natter on the phone etc, and you needn't wait for a phone call from them. To quickly engage with "Reconnect" please call the office (9456 2450) to be put you in touch with a team member.



Welcome to our Faith Family

Baptism congratulations to...

Lachlan Robert Montgomery who is to be baptised this weekend

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*Please keep Lachlan, his parents and Godparents in your prayers.*



[Aldrin Valdehueva: Solemn Vespers & Profession of Faith]

**Aldrin's Ordination to the Order of Deacons** will take place on Wednesday 14 October at Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood at 7.30pm. This will be live-streamed. For details on how to watch please go to:  
<https://www.facebook.com/BrokenBayVocationsMinistry>

## WANTED

### Senior Servers at BOTH Churches

If interested call the Parish Office on **9456 2450**

Even a commitment of just once a month would be appreciated

### Personal Participation of the Eucharist

It is good to see the increasing number of our parishioners for the participation of our daily masses and weekend masses. Vatican calls for a "necessary and urgent" return to in-person Mass. Very recently, Cardinal Robert Sarah, the Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship has sent a letter to world's Episcopal conferences which says, "Broadcast liturgies can never replace personal participation in the Eucharist". He has encouraged them a return to the "normality of Christian life," in particular to the resumption of regular participation at Mass. He continues to say that "As soon as circumstances permit, it is necessary and urgent to return to the normality of Christian life, which has the church building as its home and the celebration of the liturgy, especially the Eucharist as the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed...".



### Mother Teresa & the Rosary

**"Cling to the Rosary as the creeper clings to the tree - for without Our Lady we cannot stand."**  
(Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

Three Years after her death, the late, Pope John Paul II, said of Mother Teresa: "as the years pass, her memory remains more vivid than ever. We remember her with her smile, her deep gaze, her rosary." (John Paul II on 5 September 2000) and at the time of her beatification he remarked: "Is it not significant that her beatification is taking place on the very day on which the Church celebrates World Mission Sunday? With the witness of her life, Mother Teresa reminds everyone that the evangelizing mission of the Church passes through charity, nourished by prayer and listening to God's word. Emblematic of this missionary style is the image that shows the new Blessed clasping a child's hand in one hand while moving her Rosary beads with the other. Contemplation and action, evangelization and human promotion: Mother Teresa proclaimed the Gospel living her life as a total gift to the poor but, at the same time, steeped in prayer. (John Paul II on 19 October 2000).



**Learning Hub: International Day of Older Persons** ~ was celebrated last Thursday 1 October 2020. The NSW Ageing & Disability Commission have produced an online learning module to equip volunteers, staff and community members with the skills to confidently and competently identify and respond to concerns of abuse, neglect and exploitation of an older person or adult with disability, specifically within the family, home and community. To learn more and access the online module go to - <https://www.ageingdisabilitycommission.nsw.gov.au/tools-and-resources/training/module-one>



**October 18 is Catholic Mission Sunday.** This year you are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and support to live a fulfilling life. Freecall: 1800 257 296 [catholicmission.org.au/cambodia](http://catholicmission.org.au/cambodia)



### Position Vacant – Accountant (Maternity Leave Position)

The Diocese of Broken Bay Chancery is recruiting for a full time Accountant (Maternity Leave Position). Please see the Diocesan website for the advertisement:  
<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant>

### Administrative Assistant, Toukley - Lake Munmorah Parish

Toukley - Lake Munmorah Parish wishes to employ a casual Administrative Assistant to provide general admin assistance in the Parish Office. For the full advertisement, please see the Diocesan website:  
<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant>

# ROSTERS & READINGS FOR WEEKEND 17th / 18th October– 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND FOR YOUR ROSTERED DATE PLEASE ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE; Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21

|                                    | St Bernard's Church                                                        |                 | St Patrick's Church                                                               |                    |                  |                  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                    | 5.00pm                                                                     | 9.00am          | 6.00pm                                                                            | 8.00am             | 10.00am          | 6.00pm           |
| Acolyte / Snr Server               | Garth Graham                                                               | Michael O'Neill | Sandra Sparkes                                                                    | Bill Martin        | David Massa      | Darrin Patterson |
| Reader (1)                         | Francesca Parrino                                                          |                 | Les Fogden                                                                        | Vivienne Schreiber | Hayley Rodrigues | Sue Lum          |
| Reader (2)                         | Sophia Smith                                                               |                 | Miguel Do Rego                                                                    | Russell Schreiber  | Cora Cuasay      | Mary Stokes      |
| Usher / s                          | Jan & Joseph Favaloro                                                      | Peta Tonkin     | Chris Smith                                                                       | Jim Fitzgerald     | Peter Daly       | Les Fogden       |
| Sacristy Care/<br>Church Cleaning/ | Glenn Shapter, Annette Shapter,<br>Marlene Moloney (f), Gisela Muschal (s) |                 | Lyn Vila, Leila Fowler, Cynthia Gilbertson, Editha Palmer, Yovana Castro Guerrero |                    |                  |                  |
| Maintenance                        | Teams A & B                                                                |                 | October:                                                                          |                    |                  |                  |

**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*.

## Australian Catholic University Lecture: "Liturgy, Prayer, Pastoral Care and Pandemics"

You may be interested in this free public lecture "Liturgy, Prayer, Pastoral Care and Pandemics" to be given via Zoom on **Monday, 12 October 2020, 10.30am** by Sr. Prof. Julia Upton, RSM.

**Online via Zoom:** Monday October 12; 10-11.30am (AEDT)

The Zoom link will be provided on 9 October 2020 to those who have registered.

**Registration:** Registration is essential for this free public lecture by 7 October ~ [www.acu.edu.au/LectureUpton](http://www.acu.edu.au/LectureUpton)  
**Contact:** For more information contact the ACU Centre for Liturgy [centreforliturgy@acu.edu.au](mailto:centreforliturgy@acu.edu.au) ~ 02 9701 4751



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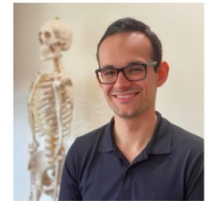
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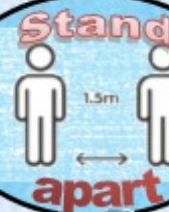
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## Covid Caretaking ~ Caring for our Community & each other

**MOST IMPORTANT**  
and  
**No. 1 Rule**  
follow  
**ALL DIRECTIONS**  
of  
the  
**USHER/s**

Capacity of  
our churches  
**100 in**  
**St Patricks,**  
**60 in**  
**St Bernard's**  
If unwell ~  
**DO NOT**  
come to mass ~  
please  
see your doctor



**Volunteer to**  
**disinfect**  
**pews after**  
**Mass, OR**  
**leave**  
**immediately**  
**and DO NOT**  
**congregate**  
**outside the**  
**church**

**Covid-19 symptoms**  
\*Fever  
(37.5 or higher)  
\*Sore/scratchy  
throat  
\*Shortness of  
breath  
\*Loss of smell  
\*Loss of taste  
\*Cough