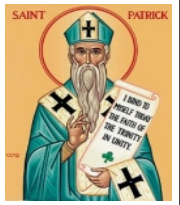


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Churches of St Bernard Berowra and St Patrick Asquith

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

10 February 2008



BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED

Readings Next Sunday:

Gen 12:1-4

2 Tim 1:8-10

Mt 17:1-9

LITURGY TIMETABLE - Sunday

Vigil 4pm	Peace Chapel Brooklyn 21 Karoola Street
Vigil 5.30pm	St Bernard's
Vigil 6.30pm	St Patrick's
8am	St Patrick's
9am	St Bernard's
10am	St Patrick's
6pm	St Patrick's

Weekday Masses St Bernard's

8am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
9am Wednesday, Friday

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RECONCILIATION

Before Vigil Mass at St Bernard's
After 9am Morning Mass at St Patrick's

BAPTISM See Brochure in Church Foyer

WEDDINGS Contact the Pastoral Centre

FOR CHILDREN Children's Liturgy of the Word TODAY at 8.50am in Pastoral Centre
17 February at 9.50am in St Patrick's Hall

NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome! Please fill in the Parish Census Form at the back of the Church

Thank you to Father James for saying the 10am Mass at St Patrick's this weekend, as Father Robert is Master of Ceremonies at the Inauguration of the Cathedral at Waitara and Father Carmello, who is chaplain to the National Service Veterans, is at their Annual Service in Martin Place.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to you Father James, at the death of your sister Mary. May she rest in peace.



PROJECT COMPASSION 1st Sunday of Lent

Psyche Mae is from Manila in the Philippines. She lives with her family on the edge of an urban garbage dump.

Before her family received support, life was a constant struggle to buy enough food and pay school fees.

They were unable to save money and when desperate borrowed from moneylenders at exorbitant interest rates. Caritas Australia helped establish savings groups to support income generating activities such as bag and card making. Members have also established a small community shop. Caritas supports classes in non formal adult education, art, English, computing and volleyball. The youth have established leadership groups which meet regularly. *Your donation to Project Compassion will allow communities like Psyche Mae's to become self reliant and to look forward to a more productive and peaceful future.*

Ku-ring-gai Chase WYD Registration Launch

Next weekend on the Second Sunday of Lent (17th February 2008) there will be the official launch of the Parish WYD Registration. Look out for registration cards at the back of the Church. Each card will have a tear off slip with information about how to register at www.wydbrokenbay.org.au. The other half will need to be filled in and placed in a box, which will go back to the Diocese, which records your interest and how best to cater for you! World Youth Day is in Sydney from Tuesday 15th July to Sunday 20th July 2008, with the Papal Mass on that weekend! This year will be a very exciting year for all of us, so I encourage you to get involved in this unique opportunity! For further information contact Matt Cross (WYD Contact) on 0402.155.372 or matt_t_cross@hotmail.com.



Monday 11 February	Our Lady of Lourdes WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Cyril, & Methodius, bishop Esther 14:1,3-5,12-14; Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

TRAINING FOR NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION will take place at St Patrick's Church on

Thursday 21 February commencing at 7pm. Those who have put their names down for training and anyone who wishes to be a minister please attend this session.



We pray for those who have died in the hope of the Resurrection:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mary Elizabeth Madigan (sister of Father James Ware SM)

ANNIVERSARIES: Nell Barnes, Alberto Rios

OTHER: Jim Browne

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Oscar Buhagiar, John Macy, Judy Huntley, Brian Black, Donna Vogel, Pat McGoldrick, Domenico (Mick) Napoli, Clare Hopkins



REQUIRED URGENTLY: One new Catechist to teach a combined Year 1/2 Class at Hillcrest Public School, Berowra. This class is on Wednesdays. Please phone the Pastoral Centre if you are able to assist.

THANK YOU to Alicja Pieprzyk who has volunteered to be our new Catechist Co-ordinator. We know that you will enjoy this rewarding and important role Alicja.

To retiring co-ordinator Rosetta Stipo and her very able supporter Coral Thaddeus we say congratulations and grateful thanks for your dedication, love and competency in leading this Ministry in our Parish.



NOTES FROM KU-RING-GAI CHASE PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING ON 29 JANUARY 2008

. Lenten Programme commenced during week-opening 4th February. We have six groups of 5-7 members – others are still welcome.

. Parish to learn Mass for the Papal Visit for World Youth Day '08'

. 7th March – WYD Prayer at St. Patrick's at 7.30 p.m
. 14th March – St. Patrick's Day to be celebrated on this day in 2008.

. 29th March – 50th Anniversary of St. Patrick's Primary School. Bishop David Walker will celebrate the Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's at 5.00 p.m. in the School Grounds. (NB No Vigil Mass at Brooklyn or Berowra.

. Anointing Masses will be part of our Liturgy in 2008 and details will be included in the Parish Bulletin as to dates and venues. There will be two Masses at the Kuring-gai Gardens Nursing Home during the year.

. Children's Liturgy of the Word, Class Masses were discussed .



PARISH COUNCIL: In 2008 as another year begins we are looking for new members to join the Parish Council. If you would like to be part of the advisory and decision making process of our parish, now is the time to step forward and become part of the team. If you are interested in joining us, or have any enquiries please contact Margaret at the Pastoral Centre or one of your council members.



WANTED Keyboard player(s) With the departure of one of our valued keyboard players, it will not be possible to keep up the level of live music at weekend Masses, without your help! Full training will be given, music and suggested programs are provided - you won't be dropped in the deep end! This is a ministry that is very rewarding for the player, and invaluable for the parish. **Cantors** are also required. If you would like to have a go, talk to any musician after Mass, or ring Patricia Smith 9482 7935.

Children's Choir: Welcome back to our parish Children's Choir, who are singing at 10am Mass this weekend, for the first time since the summer break. Any child in the parish is welcome to join the Choir, from Year 3 and upwards. We sing at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays during school terms, and we practise every Friday during term from 4pm to 5pm, in St Patrick's church. Your child doesn't need to be a fantastic singer, just willing and enthusiastic. Come along and meet some great new friends and sing! Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

Senior Choir will be practising at St Bernard's church after 9am Mass on Wednesday, for an hour. This choir is specifically for people available during the day, for special events and to support parish funerals in both churches. There is no age limit, upper or lower. Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

There will be a special workshop for **parish musicians** at 7.30pm on Tuesday night, at St Patrick's church, to learn the new Mass setting for World Youth Day, which we will be singing at every opportunity between now and July. Other interested persons are welcome to join us.

Catechist Corner:

Welcome to Catechist co-ordinator for 2008, Alicja Pieprzyk. Alicja (pronounced Alizzia) will also be teaching Year 5/6 at Mt Ku-Ring-Gai Public School on Wednesdays. On Thursday 21/2/08 from 10.30am there will be a "welcome" morning tea at Rosetta's home so everyone can catch up and meet our newest member. Please keep this date free.

There is still a vacancy for Year 2 at Asquith Public School on Wednesday mornings - please consider taking this class. Perhaps you know someone who has expressed interest in joining our group - encourage them to give us a call.

Most of the books have been distributed - please let us know when numbers are definite and if you need more or can return extra copies. Check the sacristy at both churches for items for collection. If you do not receive your resources please call Rosetta. Teaching begins this week but check with your school representative to make sure.

Robert Peers (Principal of St Patrick's) is happy for catechists to approach the office during school hours for access to the resource room. It is planned that the co-ordinator will also have a key, there will be one at the Parish Office and we hope to keep one in the sacristy at St Pat's for use on the week-end. These are to be "borrowed" and returned immediately so they are available for use by all the catechists. Any items taken or borrowed are to be signed for. As we share storage space with the school, please ensure you only take items from the SRE resource shelves. Individual keys will not be distributed at this time.

Finally, a big thank you to everyone involved in this ministry and for the support and enthusiasm generously given over the last two years. I know Alicja will enjoy the experience as much as we have.

Rosetta and Coral (Please continue to contact Coral or Rosetta until Alicja's details are distributed)



ST BERNARD'S MINISTRY ROSTERS: Liturgy Rosters are at the back of the Church for those involved in Sunday Masses.



New **counters** rosters are also at the back of the Church. Grateful thanks to those who have volunteered to be on the roster and to those who have taken on extra days. We are still looking for an extra few so that we can have three people counting each week.



POSITION VACANT

Christian Studies Teacher Asquith Girls' High School. Teaching years 7-10 girls, 7 day fortnight. Please send your CVs to HADCEA c/o 24 A Rosamond St Hornsby, 2077, or suzgorham@optusnet.com.au. Enquiries: 9476 3337 during business hours. Applications close Monday 18th February.

FROM OUR SCHOOLS:

ST PATRICK'S

St Patrick's School Prayer

God our Father, with **Faith** we pray,
 Bless and guide us through this day
 Jesus Lord with **Hope** we pray,
 Help us in our work and play
 Holy Spirit with **Love** we pray,
 Let us be kind to each other
 Today *Amen*



Opening School Mass: On Tuesday, 5 February, we had the St Patrick's Opening School Mass. Congratulations to our 2008 leaders who were commissioned at this Mass. We prayed that their leadership experience in our school community *'afford them the opportunity for personal growth, belief in themselves and an understanding that faith in God underpins actions and words'*.

ST BERNARD'S

Congratulations to all our St Bernard's School Yr 6 Leaders for 2008. School Captains and Yr 6 Prefects are as follows:



School Captains:

Monica Chinchilla and Bede Johnston

McAuley House Captains:

Nina Rigor and Sean Heffernan

Mercy House Captains:

Rachel Russell and Lucas Barlow

Bernard House Captains:

Natalie Tobin and Nicholas McNay

Prefects:

Church Prefects:

Lizzie Maher, Joel de Graaf, Aaron Ponnampalam, Shannon O'Connor

IT Prefects:

Hayden Valeri, Nicole Howarth, Alana McMahon

Environment Prefects:

Ben Staggs, Blake Spencer Sam Funk

Social Justice Prefects:

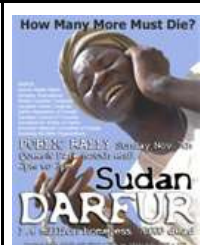
Lilli Roberts, Rebecca Jaja, Hana Sanders-Leahy

Hall Prefects:

Nicole Cesti, Samuel Porter, Josh Hine

Bell & Office Bag Prefects:

Hamish Borland, Andrew Taylor



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMENT More than ten years after the genocide in Rwanda, the same tragedy is unfolding in Sudan's western region of Darfur and the international community has done nothing to stop it. After the Rwandan genocide, world leaders said they would never again delay and argue while innocent people were slaughtered. Caritas is helping with funds and support; continue to pray for the people in this region.

This fortnight's OzSpirit theme is "Just Want Justice – a call to Action" which is, of course, the theme for this year's Project Compassion awareness and fundraising campaign. But what does the concept of 'justice' really entail - go to www.caritas.org.au, www1.umn.edu or www.unhchr.ch for some ideas. **Kenya's Rift Valley burns, death toll soars** is another topic discussed in this publication.

Since Church Resources was launched in 1997 its goal has been to build strong communication channels for the Church community, including their flagship publication www.cathnews.com. The Church in Australia, What Catholics Believe, Living the Faith, Youth and Young Adult and current issues are just a few of the topics covered.

Columban missionary says genetic engineering gives life to multinationals. Refer to the Noticeboard which has a brief report on this topic and details of how you can obtain more information.

Paddy's Playgroup: We'd like to invite you to join Paddy's Playgroup!

- Do you have children aged from 0 to 5?
 - Are you free on Tuesday mornings from 9–11 am?
 - Do you like having a chat over morning tea?
 - Does your child like craft, painting, playdough, sandpits, songs, stories, going on excursions and playing with friends?
- then Paddy's Playgroup is for You!!!**



We meet in the Parish Meeting Room (in the school grounds) on Tuesday's (except the third Tuesday of each month when we have an excursion or meet at the park). You are most welcome to come along or call one of the Committee members to get more information. It's a great way for you to meet other parents in the area which children the same age as yours. Who knows—you may make some lifelong friends?!

Marita—9482-3534 / Pia—9987-2394 / Megan—0410 445 469




AN INVITATION TO THE PEOPLE OF THE DIOCESE: Bishop David Walker is establishing four new Lay Ministries in an effort to provide appropriate pastoral care for the people of Broken Bay Diocese and enable them to take the mystery of Jesus to others. The new ministries include roles and functions which have been performed by lay faithful in the Diocese for some time. They are the Ministry for the Word, Ministry for Liturgy, Ministry for Music and Ministry for Hospitality. A brief description of each new Lay Ministry and an application form can be obtained from the Pastoral Centre and there are limited copies at the back of the Church. The Ministries are open to both men and women and involve participation in an initial formation program, a commissioning, leadership in the local Parish community and a commitment to ongoing formation for a period of three years. The Ministries Program for 2008 commences at the end of February, with information sessions being held in each of the three deaneries of the Diocese. Please contact Margaret at the Pastoral Centre for further details.

250 CLUB. Week No. 8 drawn on Monday 4 February. Ticket number: 459 Winner: Mrs M Cadger
Landra Ave Mt Colah. Congratulations. Your cheque is in the mail.



ROSTERS FOR 16 and 17 FEBRUARY 2008

Ministry	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.30pm	9am	6.30pm	8.00 am	10.00 am	6.00 pm
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Vince Hughes	Mani Subramany	Trevor McAdam	Malcolm Cross	Matthew Cross
Server	James Dryden Rachel Russell Elizabeth Maher	Callum Birrell Sara Jaja Rebecca Jaja	Ambrose Wong Daniel Cronin	Nicholas Stevens	Isabelle Arzoumalian Alisha Eveleens Thomas Messina	Katie Hunter
Reader	Ruth Doran Paul Maher	Paddy Gunning Barbara McMullen	Peter Hourigan Laurie Smith	Teresa Ashton Jim Fitzgerald	June Bell Susie Gates	Diana Ball
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Kay Brogan Kathryn Webster Brian Tutill Yvonne Graham	Joan Tunny Margaret Griffin Georgina Hughes Rose Formby				
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	To Mt Wilga Allan Griffin Margaret Griffin		To Housebound: Teresa Ashton, Jessie Long, Margaret Acret, Cynthia Gilbertson			
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Next One: February 10 8.50am in the Pastoral Centre		Next One: February 17 9.50am in the Hall			
Altar Society	Katherine Webster Roger Okell, Glen & Annette Shapter, Cornel Arnold, Carol Barlow, Mary Tuttil (F)		Group 4 (Saturday): Cathy Stevens, Jo Barton, Else Burke, Maria Yardley, Janine O'Keefe, Janice Cooper, Kim Fitzgerald, Chris Hayman			
Maintenance:	1 March 2008—Team A		February: Brian Walsh, Brian Gleeson, Brian Giddings			
Morning Tea	Next one: February 24 Gisela & Sheila		New roster will be posted during the week			
Counters	Peter Hanson, David Funk,		Kevin & Ann Carmody, David Burke, Patrick O'Donoghue, Paula & Jim Hand			
Rosary	 Monday 11 February Anne Burke, 66 Berowra Waters Road Monday 18 February Eunice Allison, 6 Arcadia Cres Anyone wanting to be on the Roster, phone co-ordinator Bill McDonagh on 9456 3883.		Tuesday 12 February Group 1 Mary Stokes 40 Royston Parade, Asquith Group 2 Fay & Bill Smitheram 17 Brett Avenue Group 3 Joyce Dimmock 14 Chase Road Mt Colah Anyone wanting to be on the Roster, phone co-ordinator Cheri Mangrai on 9476-3610.			

St Patrick's: If you can't make your duty and have not been able to find a replacement please call St Patrick's Church Sacristy on 9476-6904

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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