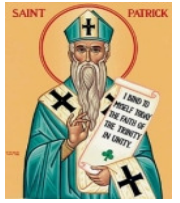


KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Churches of St Bernard Berowra and St Patrick Asquith

ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

4 May 2008



GOD MOUNTS HIS THRONE TO SHOUTS OF JOY: A BLARE OF TRUMPETS TO THE LORD

Readings Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 Jn 20:19-23

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: Liturgy of the Word

4 May 8.50am Pastoral Centre

11 May 9.50am St Patrick's Hall

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

NEXT WEEK: CHARITABLE WORKS FUND - PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY. ENVELOPES HAVE BEEN PUT OUT THIS WEEK IF YOU WISH TO TAKE THEM HOME AND RETURN THEM NEXT WEEK.



MASS COUNT: There will be a head count at all weekend Masses during the four weeks of May. This is now an annual occurrence in the Diocese of Broken Bay.

FATHER PAT TURNS 80!! Father Patrick McMaugh turns 80 years old on May 15, and the Parish will be having a party for him in the Parish Hall, on this **Saturday May 10** after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass, which Father Pat will celebrate. All parishioners are invited to the Mass and party and a list will be left at the back of both churches, for you to put down your name if you wish to attend. This is for catering purposes only. Supper is provided. Tea, coffee and fruit juice will be served and you are requested to bring your own alcohol. There is no need to bring a plate.



Cynthia Gilbertson, co-ordinator of the Social Group at St Patrick's, is liaising with the group to organise the party, so if you have any queries please contact her on 9476 6215. Father Pat has requested 'no presents' but if you would like to donate towards a Parish presentation then please put your donation in an envelope marked "Father Pat's 80th" and put it on the collection plate at the weekend. Come along on May 10 and help him celebrate this milestone.



Readings

Monday	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
May 5	
Tuesday	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19
Thursday	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
May 1	
Friday	Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	Acts 28:16-20,30-32; Jn 21:20-25

What's Happening

MEETINGS THIS WEEK: Tuesday 6 May

Liturgy Committee	7pm	Pastoral Centre
Pastoral Council	8pm	Pastoral Centre

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mervyn Pyke (husband of Diane, father of Nadine and Aaron)

ANNIVERSARIES: Leo Brayshaw, Geoffrey Smith, John Muschal

OTHER: Billie and Les Seach, Scott Mustey

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Alice Balk, John Macy, Brian Black, Donna Vogel, Pat McGoulrick, Domenico (Mick) Napoli, Isabella Fitzgerald, Mrs Billie Sumner, Sheila Simpson, Rheba Mackett, Elizabeth Cleland, Mani Subramany, Malcolm Cross



New GIRM to take effect on Pentecost Sunday: The General Instruction of the Roman Missal which was approved by the ACBC in May 2007 will take effect in parishes on May 11 2008, Pentecost Sunday. The Bishops voted to implement the new GIRM on Pentecost Sunday and will prepare people for the new measures with materials prepared by the Bishops' Commission for Liturgy. In essence, under the new GIRM, Catholics in Australia will be asked to make two changes to the way Mass is celebrated.



The first change relates to posture. At present when the priest invites the people to pray at the Preparation of the Gifts the congregation remains seated until it has responded, "May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands to the praise and glory of His name, for our good, and the good of all His Church". The congregation, up to now, has then stood for the Prayer over the Gifts. From Pentecost Sunday next year the congregation will be asked to STAND when the priest invites the congregation to pray, "Pray brethren that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father".

The second change relates to a Gesture. The Australian edition of the GIRM says: "When approaching to receive Holy Communion, the faithful bow in reverence of the Mystery that they are to receive" (GIRM 160). The communicant might bow just before receiving Holy Communion or perhaps while the person in front of them is receiving Holy Communion. Such a bow can be done simply, without disrupting the flow of the Communion Procession which is a most important ritual act in the celebration of the Mass.

PLEASE NOTE: LEAFLETS ON THESE NEW MEASURES ARE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH



THANK YOU

Lois and I thank all the parishioners of Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish for the prayers, encouragement and support over the last four years as we moved along the path to Ordination as a Deacon. It has been, in some ways, a long road both in studying for the Theology degree and training for the Diaconate but it has been accomplished because of the number of people who have walked with us, keeping us company. Every week people would enquire about how I was going and noting that they were praying for us.

Thank you to all those who attended our ordination. We were particularly blessed by your attendance. Thanks to the Parish Support group who particularly walked with us and met with us at frequent times to find out more about what we were doing and to offer encouragement. Thank you to the parishioners of St Patrick's who have encouraged me over many, many years in all the roles I have ministered to them in. Thank you to the parishioners of St Bernard's who accepted and encouraged me after we became one parish.

An especial thank you to the particular group of parishioners (they know who they are) who encouraged me to consider applying to be a Deacon and who have walked with both of us since.

Thank you to Fr. Robert, Fr. Stephen & Fr. Carmello who encouraged and directed me over the years.

As you know I have been appointed to Waitara Cathedral parish, but Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic parish will never be far from my thoughts and prayers and hopefully I will back from time to time to celebrate with you.

Please keep us in your prayers. **THANK YOU Kevin & Lois Hal**



CATECHIST CORNER:

Welcome back to all catechists and students!

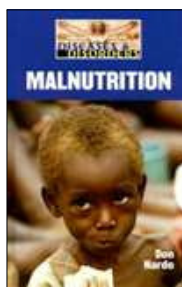
I hope everyone has a wonderful second term. Please watch this space for details of our next meeting near the end of the term.

As yet we have not filled any of our vacancies. Please consider giving of your time. Mt Colah Public needs teachers for Years 1, 2, and 4

Berowra Public needs a permanent teacher for year 1/2 from June

We always need more helpers in classes so please contact the Pastoral Centre or myself on 94567596.

God bless, Alicja Pieprzyk.



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMENT: Food crises and food security around the world. News reports on every continent headline concerns related to food security in the light of rising food prices. The causes of escalating food prices and food shortages, which are adversely affecting food security in our world today, are numerous and complex but they include: climate change, the rising cost of fuel, the growth in production of bio-fuels (such as corn), the dependency in the rich world of meat in our diets and loss of agricultural land. Caritas Australia has warned the spiralling cost of food will exacerbate global malnutrition already affecting over 820 million people in developing countries. This topic is discussed in detail in the current *OzSpirit* report accessed through ozspirit@caritas.org.au



Can you think of a better way to start Mother's Day than by coming together as a family to Mass to celebrate the beautiful feast of Pentecost? The Children's Choir will be singing at 10am Mass at St Patrick's, as usual on 2nd and 4th Sundays during school terms. We practise on Fridays at 4pm to 5pm in St Patrick's church. New singers are always welcome, from Year 3 and up. Come along to our next practice or ring the Pastoral Centre.

SENIOR CHOIR: There will be no rehearsal for Senior Choir in May, but all members are invited to come along to sing at 6.30pm Mass at St Patrick's on 10th May for Father Pat's birthday celebration. Practice before Mass at 6pm.



YOUTH MASS on Pentecost Sunday at St Patrick's 6.00pm. If you have children in high school, are a young adult, or are interested in attending World Youth Day please make an effort to attend. The theme of WYD08 is "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you" (Acts 1:8) so this is a great feast to celebrate in the lead up to this special event. There will be a music practice at 4.30pm.

YOUTH MEETING 7.00pm Sunday at St. Patrick's (following the Youth Mass) - bring a friend, new faces welcome. If you are thinking of attending WYD08 it would be great for you to come and make connections. Bring \$5 for pizza. Finishes at 8.30pm. For more information contact Adrian 9476-5006. Otherwise, see you there!



ABOUT WORLD YOUTH DAY '08

World Youth Day is an extraordinary gift to the Church in Australia.

It is a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience this great gathering of young people from around the world on our own shores, in our own homes and in our parish communities.

Homestay: Your family can be part of World Youth Day Sydney 2008 by hosting pilgrims from 14-21 July 2008. Register now. Registration forms are at the back of the church with return details at the bottom of the form, or you can register by logging on to www.wyd2008.org/homestay or phoning (02) 9390 5994.

If you would prefer to apply to be a volunteer or HomeStay host over the phone, please phone our call centre on 1300 993 793.

We welcome expressions of interest from those willing and able to assist as volunteers. There will be various opportunities for people from all over the world who wish to volunteer their services to assist with WYD08 - we understand how important volunteers are for a successful World Youth Day!

FROM OUR SCHOOLS

ENROLMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN IN 2009

Both of our Parish Primary schools have commenced the official period of enrolments for 2009. Application forms are available at both school offices. During May interviews are held. Please contact St Patrick's school on 9477 3800 or St Bernard's school on 9456 2104 if you would like more information or an enrolment package to be sent to you.



FACE TO FACE RETREAT FOR YEARS 7, 8 & 9

23-25 May 2008 at Challenge Ranch.



The Parish still has three sponsored places for any Year 7, 8 or 9 students who wish to attend this Retreat (see noticeboard). Starts 8pm Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th May. Please ring Margaret at the Pastoral Centre if you are interested. NB: Any other Year 7, 8 or 9 student can attend, but only the sponsored spaces can be paid for by the Parish.

Spirit, Nature and Me - An Eco-Spirituality for Our Time

- This seminar takes place at The Grail, 22 McHatton St, North Sydney, Sat 10 May, 10.30am - 3.30pm - all welcome.



Enquiries Ph 02 9955

SCHOOL FOR SENIORS: The Hornsby Baptist Church School for Seniors continues at 10am each Thursday during May. Further details on the noticeboard at St Patrick's.



The SAN Meal

Team is run by the volunteers of the hospital in conjunction with the Dietitians Department with the aim of assisting patients during meal times. Currently the SAN Meal Team looks after the lunchtime meal Monday-Friday, approx 60 minutes a day. A large number of the patients the Meal Team sees need help opening drinks, removing lids, cutting up meals and buttering their breads etc. A smaller number of our patients require actual feeding. And **ALL** of our patients could do with a smiling face to cheer them up!! If you are interested in brightening up a patient's day and have a spare 60 minutes a day or require more information please contact Sarah Liston from SAN Nutrition on (02) 9487 9574.



**Family Expo 3-5pm Tuesday, 13 May 2008
Hornsby Youth & Family Centre, 17 Muriel St**

The Hornsby Waitara Community Hub in partnership with Hornsby Council are running a free Family Expo during Families Week. The aim of the expo is to provide a platform for families to link up with services in the area and for families to have some fun. The expo is aimed at families with children from 0-late teens.






SERRA CLUB & CATHOLIC VOCATIONS MINISTRY AUSTRALIA : Sister Veronica McCluskie sgs, Executive Officer of CVMA will be the guest speaker for Serra at Sacred Heart Church 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on Wednesday 14th May 2008. Her topic is "A need to create a vocations culture in the Church today". Mass at 7.00 pm followed by a light meal and the talk by Sister Veronica. Please telephone Kevin Fellow 9144 7156 or Terry Scanlan 9488 7295 or 0438 887 295 for catering purposes.

250 CLUB
 Week 20 drawn on Monday 28
 Ticket No 785
 Mrs A Smith
 Pacific Highway
 Hornsby



Congratulations. Your cheque will be posted.

ROSTERS FOR 10/11 MAY 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	Michael O'Neill	Chris de Graaf	Mani Subramany	Trevor McAdam	Malcolm Cross	Matthew Cross
Server	Elizabeth Maher Daniel O'Neill Luke O'Neill	Callum Birrell Joel de Graaf Joshua McCarthy	Michaela De Souza Francesca Subramany	Stephanie Harant Adam Harant	Daniel Cronin	Rory Halliday Oliver Halliday
Reader	Julia Healey Paul Maher	Justin Berry Peter Collins	Yvonne Thomas Maureen Coves	Edwina Subramany	May Gomez	Diana Ball
Extraordinary Ministers	Brian Tutill Kathryn Webster Kay Brogan Cecilia Waite	Margaret Griffin Joan Tunny Barbara McMullen Georgina Hughes				
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Children's Liturgy	June 8 @ 8.50am Pastoral Centre		May 11 @ 9.50am St Patrick's Hall Jane Hunter		Margaret O'Donnell	
Altar Society	Katherine Webster Dora Saba, Marcia Woods, Anne Bourke, Gwen Wood, Helen Johnson, Cecilia Waite (f)		Group 4 (Saturday) Jo Barton, Else Burke, Maria Yardley, Janine O'Keefe, Janice Cooper, Cathy Stevens, Chris Hayman, Kim Fitzgerald			
Maintenance:	31 May - Team A		May Group: Hedy Stahel, Steve McGrath, Mark Gallacher			
Morning Tea	Next one: 18 May St Bernard's School		Next one: 18 May Paddy's Playgroup			
Counters	Col Felsman, Philip Turner, Jim Maguire		Margaret Acret, Chris Newnham, Jan Bennett, Henry Sylvester			
Rosary	 Monday 5 May Bill McDonagh 4 Kimbarra Close Berowra Monday 12 May Chi Chi Dato 17 Koorong Street Berowra <i>Anyone wanting to be on the Roster, phone co-ordinator Bill McDonagh on 9456 3883.</i>		Tuesday 6 May Group 1: Anne & Kevin Carmody 39 Telopia Street Mount Colah Group 2: Jane & Alistair Hunter 19 Margaret Avenue Hornsby Heights Group 3: Diana Ball 21 Murralong Road Mount Colah <i>Anyone wanting to be on the Roster, phone co-ordinator Cheri Mangrai on 9476-3610.</i>			

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

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