



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: 3rd Sunday of Lent

In reflecting upon today's Gospel you might ask yourself, "What would I allow Jesus to *drive out of and turn over* in the temple of my life?" During these 40 days of Lent we are challenged to ask Jesus to enter into our lives more deeply and cleanse us of things like pride, envy, anger, selfishness, and greed. And in this cleansing we pray that we may be filled with humility, charity, faith, hope, patience, surrender and gratitude. There are 28 days until Easter. How do you plan to be a good steward in these days?

250 CLUB WEEK 5

Drawn Monday 9 March
Ticket Number: 996
B Walsh Andrew Close
Mt Colah
Congratulations! Your cheque will be posted.



Mount St Benedict Centre - March 449D Pennant Hills Rd Entrance off Hull Rd.

Ecological Conversion. Denis Edwards is a priest & theologian who has lectured & written extensively on theology and science & is appreciated world wide for his insights. Saturday 21 March, 9.30-3.30; BYO lunch; M Tea provided. Cost: \$30.00; Registration: Tel: 9484 6208 mtstbenedict@bigpond.com

Discovering the Artist Within. Come & enjoy the delights of water colour painting. Bring brushes & paints if you have them; supplies are also on sale at the sessions. When: Five Wednesdays: 11, 18, 25 March; 1, 8 April Cost: \$10.00 per session; Tea & coffee available. Facilitator: Judith Souter sgs Registration: 0408 435 782

ROSTERS FOR 21/22 MARCH

Ministry	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church (Sacristy Phone 9476 6904)			
	5.30pm	9am	6.30pm	8.00 am	10.00 am	6.00 pm
Acolyte/Snr Server	Paul Dryden	Denis Steiner	Malcolm Cross	Bill Martin	John Messina	Matthew Cross
Server	James Dryden Angela Clarke Jason Clarke	Elaine Formby Elly Gallagher Chirs James	Matthew Chamberlain Daniel Chamberlain	Max Pryor Brandon Lukich-Young	Patrick O'Brien Charlotte O'Brien	Olivia Ratcliffe
Reader	John Ryan Sophia Smith	Peter Collins Julia Healey	Yvonne Thomas Penny Loughland	Cheri Mangrai Stella McNamara	Children Reading (Class Mass)	Sue Newnham Chris Newnham
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Cecilia Waite Kathryn Webster Brian Tutill Philippa Ryan	Georgina Hughes Joan Tunny Margaret Collins Rose Formby				
Extraordinary Ministers	Chichi Dato Vince & Georgina Hughes		Andrew Browne, Tina O'Sullivan, Pat Longworth, Jan Kachel, Rhoda Murdoch			
Children's Liturgy	March 22 8.50am Pastoral Centre		Next One: May 3 Margaret O'Donnell, Simone Cullen			
Altar Society	Debbie Muirhead Jenny Jaques, Anne Gosson, Austin Sequeira, Jane Lazaroff, Catherine Hughes (f)		Group 1 (Saturday) Colleen Goudie, Marie Bright, Imm Lui, Mary McDonald, Pat Crosdale, Jeanette Hester			
Maintenance	Next One: March 21 - Team A		March: Bill Holmes, Bill Hester, John Hajduk			
Morning Tea	March 22 - Cecilia & Katherine		March 22 - Class Mass Parents			
Counters	Col Felsman, Philip Turner		Bill Smitheram, Henning Schneider, Elizabeth Fernandes, Coral Thaddeus, Angela Munt			
Rosary	Monday 16 March Ruth Doran 7 Gooraway Place Monday 23 March Carlos Barros 11 Yarrabin Crescent Please phone co-ordinator Bill McDonagh on 9456 3883 if you wish to be on the Rosary Roster.		Tuesday 17 March Group 1: Anne & Kevin Carmody 39 Telopia Street Mt Colah Group 2: Jane & Alistair Hunter 19 Margaret Avenue Hornsby Heights Group 3: Vacant Please phone co-ordinator Cheri Mangrai on 9476 3610 if you wish to be on the Rosary Roster.			



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Churches of St Bernard Berowra and St Patrick Asquith



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

15 March 2009

LORD, YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF EVERLASTING LIFE

Readings Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21



Pauline Year commemorating the 2000th Anniversary of the Birth of St Paul

LITURGY TIMETABLE

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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 MASS TIMES

St Patrick's 8am Wednesday & Friday
9am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
St Bernard's
8am Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
9am Wednesday & Friday

RECONCILIATION

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Saturday of month at St Patrick's
after Holy Communion at 9am Mass

BAPTISM See Brochure in Church Foyer

WEDDINGS Contact the Pastoral Centre

FOR CHILDREN: Liturgy of the Word
15 March 9.50am Fr Patrick McMaugh Hall
22 March 8.50am Pastoral Centre

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



READINGS THIS WEEK

Monday 16	2 Kg 5:1-15; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Patrick, bishop Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20
Wednesday	Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop, doctor Deut 4:1, 54-9; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Joseph, Husband of Mary 2 Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24
Friday	Hosea 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Hosea 5:15 - 6:6; Lk 18:9-14

17 MARCH - HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY

May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face,

The rains fall soft upon your fields.

And until we meet again

May God hold you in the palm of his hand.



A number of additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed to assist in serving your community at weekend Masses at both St Patrick's and St Bernard's churches. Full training will be provided. Volunteers should contact the Pastoral Centre on 9456 2450. Details of training times will be advised.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN OUR PARISH

Friday 20 March at 7.30pm St Patrick's Church

Friday 27 March at 7.30pm St Bernard's Church



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Saturday of month at St Patrick's Church during 9am Mass (after Holy Communion) until 10am

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME FIRST RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 24 March	St Patrick's Church 5pm - 6pm Sacrament of Penance Celebration 1 st Rite
Wednesday 25 March	St Bernard's Church 5pm - 6pm Sacrament of Penance Celebration 1st Rite

Volunteers are required at both churches

- to be the Narrator for the Passion reading at Palm Sunday Masses.
- Readers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are required for the Triduum Ceremonies. Sheets are at the back of the Church.



Stations of the Cross on Good Friday

- One or more parishioners are required to organise/lead the Stations of the Cross at St Patrick's and St Bernard's on Good Friday morning.

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Noel Kelly (funeral Tuesday 17 at 2.30pm at St John the Baptist Catholic Church, Woy Woy)
ANNIVERSARIES: Harold Carney, Bernardo Bravo Sr., Lucy Sudiro
OTHER: Sarah & Patrick Carney, Mary Ruby Cham Wong, Ivy Low, Joseph Owen Cham, Rose Wong
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Christopher Spalding, John Macy, Brian Black, Donna Vogel, Pat McGoulrick, Billie Sumner, Joan Cunningham, Sam Biberian, Karen Aiken, Spiro Borg, Corry Wilson, Neil Mickelson, Father John Wakeling, Andrew Reid, Alice Balk, Helen Falzon, Kathy Goodwin, Michael McCarthy, Judy Barker, Louie Simpson, Laurie Smith, Jane Kohlwes, Kel Hutcheson, Gina Wicks, Ettore Cipollone



KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH

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PASTORAL CENTRE: 1-19 Woodcourt Road, Berowra Heights

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Homepage www.kccp.org.au

Clergy: (Rev) Robert Borg, Parish Priest (Rev) Carmelo Sciberras

Deacon David Huntley



PROJECT COMPASSION
Third Sunday of Lent
 To bring about the kingdom of God, we must be transformed within ourselves and our community. This week's story takes us to Papua New Guinea where Junior is learning organic farming skills, as well as leadership, community responsibility, cooking, health and hygiene. Two years ago he was in danger of becoming one of Port Moresby's infamous 'raskols', but since participating in the Caritas Australia project run by the Archdiocese of Port Moresby's Social Action Centre, Junior has taken a path of hope. Your donation to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion helps 'street boys' in Papua New Guinea to learn practical new skills for a positive future in their communities.

Access to the Parish Property at Asquith
 As a result of the fire at the school recently, a decision has been made to lock all gates on the Parish property. This will be an inconvenience for some, but it will save any more vandalism being done. Over the next couple of weeks, new locks will be installed. Any parishioners who require access to the Parish property will need to contact the Pastoral Centre to obtain a key. At present quotes are being sought to have a master key system for the school and the church.

Holy Week Music Practice for St Patrick's will take place on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7pm. This week, on March 17, we will focus on music for Holy Thursday; on March 24, we will look at music for Good Friday, and on March 31, there will be a combined practice for the Easter Vigil with musicians from St Bernard's. 7pm at St Patrick's church.



Children's Choir is not just about singing! Because the choir has such an important role in parish celebrations, the children also learn about liturgy and the readings for each week. They also take an active role in choosing the music we sing. They really are a very talented group! The parish Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass every 2nd and 4th Sunday during school terms, and practises every Friday at 4pm to 5pm at St Patrick's church. Children from Year 3 and up most welcome. Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935



RCIA You may have noticed in recent weeks our candidates leaving Mass halfway through. They don't get an early mark. They are going out to receive extra catechesis as they study the Gospel and ponder on God's Word. They still meet on Thursday night s to learn about different aspects of the Catholic Church and next week they will be talking about Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit. If you are interested in meeting them and taking part in the discussion turn up at 8 p.m. Thursday at 40 Royston Parade, Asquith.



RCIC Rite of Christian Initiation of Children. Eleven children are being instructed in our Catholic faith so they may receive the various Sacraments at Easter. Some will be receiving the grace of Baptism, some Confirmation and all will be making their First Communion. They are having lessons every Sunday to prepare for this great occasion and are studying the various Sacraments and other aspects of our faith. Please remember them in your prayers.

PROJECT COMPASSION ENVELOPES There are still quite a lot of envelopes at the back of the churches and we encourage you to donate to Project Compassion by this method. If you already have envelopes please tick the section indicated (bottom left hand corner) only if you require a receipt. All non-credit card donations which request tax receipts will be issued at the end of the Financial Year.



Credit Card Donations will be processed by Caritas and they will issue receipts. Thus, the amounts donated by credit card will not appear on your statements until after Easter.



It is very heartening to see younger women coming forward and volunteering to be on some of our Rosters. We would be very welcoming to younger men as well! Please consider putting your name down for a roster at the churches. An hour or two of your time on a monthly or bi-monthly basis is not a lot to commit and we really need to keep our Roster groups replenished and invigorated. Phone Margaret at the Pastoral Centre.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ASQUITH meets each Tuesday at 7.30pm - Parish Meeting Room

Are you looking for more **peace** in your busy life? Do you want to **deepen your faith** or **explore your spirituality**? SPG is a prayer group that meets weekly for: **Prayer, Scripture reflection and Shared stillness** in a welcoming, supportive environment. The Group is called SPG for Sonya's Prayer Group, as it was co-founded by parishioner and school parent Sonya Brown. Sonya died last year after a long battle with cancer.

SPG meets at St Patrick's school grounds in the meeting room on Monday mornings during school term 9.00-9.45am. We also facilitate Lenten and Advent programs. **ALL WELCOME** Enquiries to: Sarah 94570492 or sarahfm@optusnet.com.au Lynda 94576679 Simone 99872757



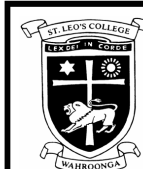
OUR PARISH SCHOOLS - OPEN DAYS:
 Each year our Parish Primary Schools open their doors to the wider community, especially for those looking for Primary schooling for their children and grandchildren. Come along and see our schools in action, visit the classrooms, meet our community and experience first hand our quality Catholic learning environment. The following dates are for each school's Open Day this year:



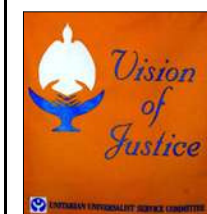
St Patrick's Primary School
 This year's Open Day is **Friday 27 March** from 9.30-11.30am. Enquiries and bookings for Open Day on 94773800. Our web address is www.stpat.nsw.edu.au Robert Peers Principal



St Bernard's Primary School
 This year's Open Day is **Wednesday 6 May** from 9.30-11am. Enquiries and bookings for Open Day on 9456 2104; view our school on the web www.stbberowra.dbb.catholic.edu.au Luanna Fletcher Principal



ST LEO'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE
Wahroonga If you have a child in Primary School or you are thinking of options for your child's Secondary Education in other years you are cordially invited to our Open Day on Friday 20th March from 9.30am to 11.45am. Enrolling now for Year 7 - 2010 & 2011. Experience quality learning and quality teaching taking place in a dynamic well resourced 21st Century Learning Environment. For further information please contact the College Registrar 9487 3555 or info@slcc.dbb.catholic.edu.au



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMENT
Homeless Forum 2009 Refer to the noticeboard for details of this forum being hosted by the Hornsby Homelessness Task Force at Waitara this coming Tuesday 17 March. The Forum will feature two keynote speakers and performing live will be the Sydney Street Choir.

Caritas slams abortion aid decision. Caritas Australia CEO Jack de Groot has endorsed concerns expressed by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd over changes by Foreign Minister Stephen Smith, a Catholic, to the Australian aid program that will allow funding of abortions. A detailed report is available on the CathNews website for Wednesday, 11 March and you are given the opportunity to have your say on this important issue. (CathNews is a service of Church Resources and if you have trouble connecting, phone 1300 248 724)

Saturday 21 March is International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and begins a week of Solidarity with the Peoples struggling against Racism and Racial Discrimination. In Australia this is celebrated as **National Harmony Day**.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER The service held at St Patrick's Asquith on 6 March was attended by approx. 70 people from churches in our local area. Many thanks to those who attended and to those who participated in the liturgy - Sue Newnham as Leader, May Gomez as guest speaker, Mary Stokes, Jerome Gomez, Angela Smith, Vince Hughes, Maureen Coves, Edwina Subramany and Pat Longworth as readers, Patricia Smith and the Senior Choir, Jess and Mark Formby for their willing help in many areas and the ladies of the CWL for their usual inimitable assistance and charm. There were representatives from Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish, St John's Anglican Church Asquith, St Peter's Anglican Church Hornsby, Waitara Uniting Church, Mt Colah Uniting Church, St John's Anglican Church Gordon, Hornsby & Asquith Uniting Church, Our Lady of the Rosary Waitara and Waitara Gospel Chapel (Christian Brethren). A collection was taken up for the World Day of Prayer Bible Society and \$371 was donated. Thanks to all for your generosity. Refreshments and hospitality were enjoyed in the Father Patrick McMaugh Hall after the service.

WOMEN AND THE AUSTRALIAN CHURCH (WATAC) NSW CONFERENCE
 Friday evening and Saturday 1 & 2 May 2009 at Canterbury Park, King Street Canterbury. Further information phone /Fax 029520 9409 or email: helen@watac.net



FROM OUR SCHOOLS:
St Bernard's
 Monday 23 March through to Friday 27 March is Catholic Schools Week; this week is an opportunity for us to showcase Catholic education here at St Bernard's. We have several exciting experiences planned, from celebrations of our Catholicity, parent information sessions, open classrooms, a cricket match, Music in the Hall and more.



St Patrick's Australia is a lucky country because of its uniqueness. We have beautiful wildlife like the rainbow lorikeet, kangaroos, kookaburras and koalas. We also have some beautiful sandy beaches with their superb shells and beautiful soft sand. *Charlie*
 I love Australia because of the beautiful, refreshing beaches. I love getting out and playing soccer and having a delicious BBQ waiting for me. *Maddy*

To me the beautiful Australia is a fantastic place to live in because it has wonderful caring communities and we live in one of them. Australia also has lots of beautiful flora and fauna to enjoy. *David*



Australia is a lucky country because we are free. I love the sandy beaches and the hot weather. Australia is full of unique wildlife like cockatoos, kangaroos and koalas. *Jake*