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*Jeremiah 17:5-8 Our hope
1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20 We will rise
Luke 6:17,20-26 True happiness*

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Servers

11 Feb Wayne Kelly
18 Feb Diane Stewart

Readers

11 Feb 1st Reading Ian Maguire
Ps/Intercessions Claire Maguire
2nd Reading Jane Nolan
18 Feb 1st Reading Steve Gauci
Ps/Intercessions David Buckley
2nd Reading Julie Hodgkinson

Ministers of the Eucharist

11 Feb Norma Longmuir and Michelle Davis
18 Feb Norma Longmuir and Diana Landsberg

Children's Liturgy

11 Feb Carroll Family
18 Feb Bettina LeGras

Counters

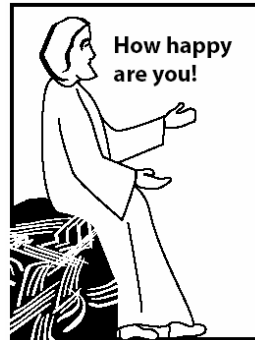
11 Feb Julie and Lance
18 Feb Robyn and Adrian

Morning Tea

11 Feb Robyn Burns
18 Feb Margaret Ridoutt

Church Care

16 Feb Noeline and Kevin Phelps
23 Feb Judy Harris and Monica Van Horen



Sixth Sunday
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The Beatitudes give the attitudes Jesus requires of us. Humanly speaking, poverty, hunger, weeping, and persecution are completely contrary to our natural inclinations. Nor do we regret being rich, satisfied, happy or respected. Paul says we are to be pitied 'if our hope in Christ has been for this life only.' Our vision must reach beyond this life to embrace the Risen Christ and our sharing with him.

Next Week: Called to full life

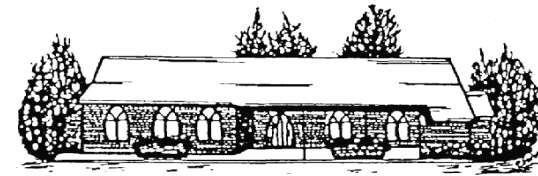
1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13, 22-23; Psalm 102 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38



The Lord guards the way of the just He who wants to be heard when he petitions should hear another who petitions him. He who does not close his own ear to a suppliant opens God's ear to himself. If anyone wants God to perceive that he is hungry, he should himself take notice of the hungry. If he hopes for mercy, he should show mercy himself. If he desires fatherly kindness, he should display it first. He who wishes someone to make an offering to him should make an offering himself. He is an unworthy petitioner who demands for himself what he refuses to another.

St Peter Chrysologus (c.400-c.450)

SACRED HEART PARISH



Sacred Heart Church ~ Blackheath
Saint Paul's Church ~ Mount Victoria
Saint Joseph's Church ~ Megalong Valley

Our Mission Statement

As a community bonded together through faith, we are called to share our experience of God with those we meet each day, in particular, those in our local community.

All enquiries regarding Baptisms, Marriage and sick calls to the Parish House.

~ Pastoral Director ~ Sister Lyn Eastmure O.P. ~

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Parish Office 4787 8540 email: shbheath2@bigpond.com

Website: <http://www.keepersoftheflame.net/SacredHeartParish/index.html>

Blackheath - Mass	Sunday	9.30 am
Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service	Wednesday	9.00 am
Praying the Gospel	Wednesday	9.30 am
Praying the Rosary	Thursday	2.00 pm
Prayer of the Church	Friday	9.00 am
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Wednesday (Mt Vic)	7.00 am
	Friday	4.30 pm
Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music	4th Saturday of month	2.00 pm
Mount Victoria - Mass	1st Friday of month	7.00 pm
Megalong Valley - Liturgy of the Word	1st Friday of month	9.00 am

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to either Sr Lyn, David Buckley (Chair), Monica Bright (Deputy Chair) or Chris le Gras (Secretary).

Bulletin Items: please contact Kate Forbes by Thursday - phone 4787 8520 or email D_P_I@telpacific.com.au

LENTEN GROUPS

You are cordially invited to participate in the Parish Lenten Program. The Lenten program is a small group which invites participants to reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading for the six Sundays of Lent. It is an opportunity to share your faith journey, discuss and share insights or ask questions, while growing in your relationship with Jesus. This year's program is called:

"Every day with Jesus".

Three groups will be meeting in the Parish:

WEDNESDAY MORNING GROUP: (Preceded by Communion service at 9am in Church.) This group will meet at approximately 9.30am in the Parish Meeting Room commencing on Ash Wednesday 21st February. Further enquiries: Betty Zeman or Gabrielle Byrne.

FRIDAY EVENING GROUP: Meets 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room commencing Friday 23rd February. Enquiries: Mary Ellen Duggan or Michelle Davis.

SATURDAY MORNING GROUP: This group will meet at the home of Elaine and Ray Phillips (Mt Victoria) at 10am and will commence on Saturday 24th February. Enquiries: Elaine and Ray or Michelle Davis.

As many parishioners as possible are encouraged to attend. If you would like to form a small group on another day/or time please talk to Michelle Davis or phone the Parish Office on 4787 8540 and leave your details.

World Youth Day will be launched in the Parish on Sunday 25th February during our Sunday Liturgy. (Mass will have a youth flavour).

February Cosmology Gathering

Our next gathering will be at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Rd, Wentworth Falls from 10am till noon on Friday, 16 February. We will discuss Ch. 11 "Patriarchy: a New Interpretation of History" from "The Dream of the Earth" by Fr Thomas Berry. Our meditation will centre on "The Abundance of Summer" and will include the making of a summer mandala. Our meeting also includes prayer for the sick and morning tea. Enquiries Sr. Jacinta (4757 2290).

Lenten Program for 2007

The Lenten program will once again be offered at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls beginning Tuesday 20 February 10am till noon and will continue each Tuesday till Holy Week. The book used will be "Every Day with Jesus - Lent to Pentecost Year C" \$9 a copy. Times of quiet, sharing, discussion and morning tea will also be included in our time together. Enquiries: Sisters Therese and Jacinta (4757 2290).

Happy Anniversary Peter and Kate Grbanac for 17th February.

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

As a community we are called to support, and be hope givers for, marginalised communities. We can do this by prayer and contributing what amount is suitable for where we stand in our life's journey.

Any money we raise will support the families in Bangladesh, Timor, South Africa, Peru, Vietnam and our own Indigenous communities.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Next Sunday after Mass, join us if you are free by purchasing a pancake with your cuppa. All funds will go to Project Compassion. We can guarantee the expertise of our chefs and the wonderful hospitality of Sacred Heart. Our sincere thanks for your generosity of spirit.
THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



Happy Birthday

Mary Kingston - Today
Kenya Burke - 5 Today
Jonathon Gilchrist for 14th February
Catherine Beaver for 16th February
Clare Carroll for 17th February

ASH WEDNESDAY

is Wednesday 21st February. There will be two opportunities to receive ASHES to start our Lenten preparation during:
the Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service at 9am
or
Mass at 7.30pm
Wednesday evening 21st February.

Vocation View: Try not to pray for an easy life; rather, pray to be a strong person. Strong in trust, hope, care, love. Follow the Master.

2007 INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER 1.00pm FRIDAY MARCH 2ND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

All parishioners are most welcome and urged to attend this annual liturgy. (NOT exclusively for women – men more than welcome!) Two volunteers needed for readings – please let Christa know (4787 5105).

Lent and Easter Ceremonies

There will be a **meeting on Monday 12 February** at 7pm in the Church for those interested in enhancing the Lenten and Easter ceremonies, e.g. flowers, banners, lighting. For more information please see Julie Hodgkinson or Michelle Davis.

Our parish will soon be commencing the **Reconciliation Program for children 7 years and over.** If you have a child or grandchild interested in making their Sacraments this year please contact the Parish office on 4787 8540 and leave your name and contact number or speak with Michelle Davis. **Please enrol your child by Friday 23 Feb.**

All our **Scripture Teachers** from Blackheath, Megalong and Mt Victoria Schools will meet on Wednesday, **14th February**, at 1.30pm in the Meeting Room.