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1 Kings 17:10-16 Outcome of trust
Hebrews 9:24-28 Christ our advocate
Mark 12:38-44 She gave all

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul; O praise his holy name.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the Word of Truth and Life.

Servers

12 Nov Michelle Davis
19 Nov Diane Stewart

Readers

12 Nov 1st Reading Carol Drummond
Ps/Intercessions Christa Buckley
2nd Reading David Buckley
19 Nov 1st Reading Mary Duggan
Ps/Intercessions David Ridoutt
2nd Reading Frances Huckstepp

Ministers of the Eucharist

12 Nov Pat Waters and Norma Longmuir
19 Nov Ray Wood and Pat Leeder

Children's Liturgy

12 Nov Julie Hodgkinson
19 Nov The Carroll Family

Counters

12 Nov Barbara and Charles
19 Nov Monica

Morning Tea

12 Nov Jan Roberts
19 Nov Bettina LeGras

Church Care

17 Nov Pat Waters and Phil Wicks
24 Nov The Gatt Family



Thirty Second Sunday Year B

Today's readings feature two widows. One shared her last morsel with the prophet Elijah and in return was assured of God's unflinching care. The widow in the gospel gave to the Lord her last two small coins that represented her whole self. Do we have the courage and confidence to give our whole self to God? Do we really believe in his faithful love?

NEXT WEEK: **Everlasting words** Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 15; Hebrews 10:11-14,18; Mark 13:24-32

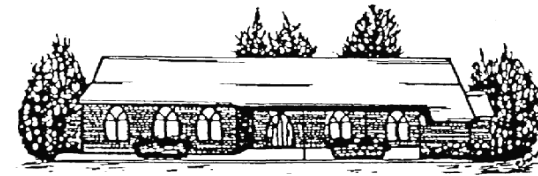


Holding nothing back

Those who have received liberty (i.e. Christians) set aside all their possessions for the Lord's purposes, bestowing joyfully and freely not the less valuable portions of their property, since they have the hope of better things hereafter; as that poor widow who cast all her living into the treasury of God. *St Irenaeus (c.140-202)*

Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them, for the goods we possess are not ours but theirs. *St John Chrysostom (c.349-407)*

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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Blackheath

Mass	Sunday	9.30 am
Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service	Wednesday	9.00 am
Praying the Gospel	Wednesday	9.30 am
Prayer of the Church	Friday	9.00 am
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Wednesday	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

Dear Friends,

Today we baptize a little one during our Eucharist and the question arises, 'Why at Mass?' . The introduction of the New Rite of Baptism (1977) speaks very clearly of "the responsibility of the parents and **of the whole community** of raising the child in the context of Christian faith and love" ... and..." asks the whole Christian community (that's us!) to live out more fully, both in celebration and in daily life, their own baptismal commitment to a life of faith and love in service to others." So we welcome with great joy, **Jeremy David Gibson**, the newest member of our Christian Community.

Blessings, Lyn.

R.C.I.A. The role of the Parish Community in the formation of the candidates in the R.C.I.A. process is paramount. Paragraph 4 of the Rite states: "**Both catechumens and the rest of the faithful have a ministry to each other.**"

This is a mutual ministry that highlights the importance of RELATIONSHIP in the CONVERSION JOURNEY. R.C.I.A. is not merely about education, it is about FORMATION within the gathered community of the faithful. The gathered community is a testimony of how Catholics are called to live and serve and the Catechumens' journey challenges us to reflect on our faith journeys.

New rosters for Liturgical Ministers and Leaders of Children's Liturgy are available. Please collect your copy from the Church Foyer this morning.

Thank you.

Prayer Service of Remembrance:

Thursday evening - 16 Nov from 7.30 to 8.15 pm. This will be a time of music, prayer, readings and quiet reflection time... to pray and remember our loved ones, especially those who have died within the past 12 months.

© Next Saturday, Fr John Frauenfelder will celebrate an **Evening Sunday Mass at 6pm in the Megalong Valley** at Saint Joseph's. All welcome.

November Cosmology Gathering

"The Sacred Spaciousness of Summer" will be the theme of our quiet time at the next gathering at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls on Friday, 17 November from 10am till noon. Chapter 9 "Christian Spirituality and the American Experience" will be the subject of discussion from Fr. Thomas Berry's book, *The Dream of the Earth*. The morning includes morning tea and prayers for the sick. Enquiries: Sr Jacinta - 4757 2290.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, 2nd December
Our last gathering for the year promises to be a fun morning! Guest Speaker **Ron (as in The Two Ronnies) Davis.**

Diocesan Works Fund - next Sunday, 18th November. This is the second of the three annual collections, the final one being in May. Please take a copy of the Outlook to see what are the groups and charitable works that this collection supports. **Our quota is \$1299.** Envelopes will be available.

Columban Calendar: The 2007 Columban Calendar is now available for \$6.00 - see Laurie. Buy one of these great calendars and you will be helping our missionaries at the same time. This calendar also makes an excellent gift for family or friends.

~Happy Birthday~

Jordan Kiehne for 13th November
Liz Colton for 15th November
Les Thomas for 15th November
Wayne Evans for 18th November
Craig Huckstepp for 18th November

THANK YOU - The scripture teachers would like to thank the parishioners and visitors for their generous donations towards the purchase of scripture books and teacher resources. **Terry Beaver**

On Sunday, December 12 we would like to celebrate a Family Mass, (with Kindy and Children's liturgies in the hall), special family blessings followed by a picnic in the park. We planned to send out invitations especially to young families, so we would be interested in hearing from you of any Catholic families you know of in our parish including Mt Victoria, Medlow Bath, Megalong and Kanimbla Valleys. Also, if you are interested in planning the liturgies or helping with the children's groups in the hall, please contact Sr Lyn or Christine Burke.



WORKING BEE

Saturday November 18

The jobs to be done are as follows:

- * Mowing the lawns around the Church, Hall and House.
- * Walls in Wentworth St.
- * Continue with clean up of the Sturt St frontage block.
- * Clean Church Windows.
- * Continue general garden cleanup. (pruning etc).

Advent Reflection Mornings:

Commencing on Tuesday, 28 November there will be the opportunity to prepare more fully for Christmas by reflecting on the enriching scripture readings during the joyful season of Advent. The four sessions (each Tuesday from 10am till noon) will include a reflection on the week's Scriptures by Sr Therese Quinn sgs, an Advent meditation and quiet time as well as Advent song and morning tea. This will be held at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls. Enquiries: Sr Jacinta - 4757 2290

World Youth Day 2008

Song Competition - WYD08 anthem. Major prize 2 adult return economy tickets to Rome. Winner will be presented to Pope Benedict XVI.

Entries close 30 November, 2006. Details: www.wyd2008.org

Youth Leaders - Applications are being accepted for the Youth Leaders Formation Course for 18 to 30 year-olds who want to serve in local and national WYD08 preparations and be active in the future life of the Church. Applications close on 31 January 2007. See Australian Parishes and Schools section: www.wyd2008.org