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Acts 15:1-2,22-29 Free in Christ
Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23 Heavenly city
John 14:23-29 Spirit will come

Responsorial Psalm: Please see the bulletin insert sheet for the words of the psalm.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them
and we will come to them.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Servers

13 May Pat Leeder
20 May Wayne Kelly

Readers

13 May 1st Reading Le Gras Family
Ps/Intercessions Le Gras Family
2nd Reading Le Gras Family
20 May 1st Reading Brian Bright
Ps/Intercessions Marjanna Gilchrist
2nd Reading Monica Bright

Ministers of the Eucharist

13 May Diane Stewart and Anne Broomfield
20 May Anthony Gilchrist and Jan Roberts

Children's Liturgy

13 May Moira McNair
20 May Carol Drummond

Counters

13 May Christa and David
20 May Robyn and Kevin

Morning Tea

13 May Robyn Burns
20 May Jan Roberts

Church Care

18 May Julie Hodgkinson
25 May Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons

428 days to go
until
World Youth
Day
14 July to
20 July
Sydney 2008

Diocese of Parramatta Youthfest: 'A night of music, sharing and prayer' will be held at the Morley Centre, Westmead on Saturday 19th May, 5pm-9pm. \$5 for dinner pack. E-mail: youth@parra.catholic.edu.au

The World Youth Day **Cross and Icon** will arrive in Australia on 1 July. Visit www.wyd2008.org/index.php/en/journey_of_the_wyd_cross_icon/journey_in_australia



**6th Sunday of
Easter - Year C**

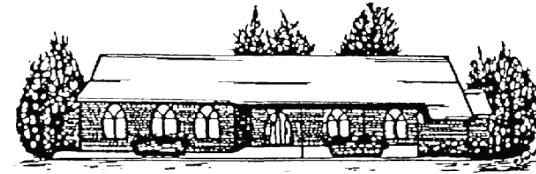
Jesus teaches us today something of the mystery of the Trinity in human terms that we can understand and of which we have experience.

He tells us of the relationship between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Marvellously, Jesus promises that they will come and be at home in us. What is the condition? That we keep his word. What is his word? That we love one another. His gift? Peace!

NEXT WEEK:

Joy of the Ascension
Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 46
Ephesians 1:17-23;
Luke 24:46-53

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. ~

Parish House 4787 8811 Fax: 4787 6143
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	9.30 am
Praying the Gospel	Wednesday	10.00 am
Praying the Rosary	Thursday	2.00 pm
Prayer of the Church	Friday	9.00 am
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Tuesday (4787 7098)	7.00 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

A meeting will be held for all our Scripture Teachers
(Blackheath, Mt Victoria and Megalong Valley) on Wednesday 23 May at 1.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

LOST

One pair of transitional prescription glasses (possibly left on the window sill near the morning tea area.)
If found, please contact Joyce Malkin on 4787 7 343.

Catalyst Forum
"World Youth Day"
with Bishop Anthony Fisher op.
May 31st, 6pm-8pm, The Crypt of St Patrick's Church Hill, The Rocks.
All welcome - entry by donation.
Enquiries, call 9816 4262.

Celebrate Love Seminar

A two day seminar for married couples exploring intimacy and spirituality. Celebrate your differences and be the best you can be ... together!
Next seminar - Chatswood or Terrigal, June 9/10. Cost \$150 per couple includes all materials, refreshments and meals. Ph 9662 7272 or visit <http://www.celebratelove.com.au/>

POSITIONS VACANT

Human Resources Officer (full time) for the Diocese of Parramatta. For information pack ph Loretta Ring 8838 3400, Irving@parra.catholic.org.au
Applications close: 18 May.
Youth Minister (part time) for St Monica's Parish, Richmond.
Information pack available until 31 May from Parish Office ph 4578 1410, admin@stmonica.com.au (please see Bulletin insert for more details.)

Calling all past WYD pilgrims: In coming issues, Catholic Outlook will feature the stories of pilgrims from previous World Youth Days (1986-2005). If you would like to share your experience with readers, contact Jane Favotto, 8838 3409, editor@parra.catholic.org.au

May Cosmology Morning

The theme of the meditation will be "The Melodies of May" for our gathering on Friday 18 May at 10 am till noon at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls. The discussion will centre on Ch.16 of The Dream of the Earth, "The Cosmology of Peace". Prayer for the sick and other needs as well as morning tea will be included in the morning's gathering. New guests are always welcome.
Enquiries: Sr. Jacinta 4757 2290

Choice Between Impossibles: Ancient Answers to Current Questions Good Samaritan Sesquicentenary Lecture

Joan Chittister, Benedictine Sister and best selling author and international lecturer on contemporary spirituality, justice and peace will explore the resources that the Benedictine tradition offers Christians in our fractured times.

7.30 pm Thursday 19 July
Mt St Benedict College,
447A Pennant Hills Rd,
Pennant Hills.
Tickets \$20 (free parking on site)
Bookings: Bernadette Beinke 8752 5300
bbeinke@goodsams.org.au

'The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said.'

Jesus spoke these reassuring words to the disciples on the day before he died. He could have focused on the suffering he was about to face and asked them for sympathy and support. Instead, he explained how the Father would send the Paraclete to counsel and comfort them. He speaks these words to us, too, and all he asks of us is 'to love me and keep my word'.

Jesus is pulling all his teachings of the past three years into this message, just as he'd said how the ten commandments could be contained in just two - love God and love one another. And if we do this, we shall come and make our home in you. It's not always easy to love, especially when we've been hurt, but if we can just remember to call on the Holy Spirit we will be reminded of this promise. (The word paraclete is from the Greek paracletus - 'called in aid'.)

Let us call on the Holy Spirit today in those moments when we are tempted to speak unkindly or when we feel sorry for ourselves. Let us also call on the Spirit to go to those who most need aid and support.

Inside this month's Catholic Outlook

- * Questions Bishops are asked: Can women be acolytes?
- * Is there a Catholic position on industrial relations?
- * School enrolments teachers touch the lives of children in remarkable ways.
- * 'Place of Promise' a haven for Sudanese refugees.
- * Motherhood brings challenges and delights.
- * Icons - glimpses of eternity.

10th Annual Mt Druitt Walk and Concert for Reconciliation - Saturday 26 May

Concert and BBQ 12 noon
Sorry Day Ceremony 1.20pm / Walk commences at 2pm at Mt Druitt Town Square (between Westfield Shopping Centre and the Library)
Information - Office of Roger Price, Member for Chifley on 9625 4344

BLUE MOUNTAINS REFUGEE SUPPORT GROUP Hypothetical - Advance Australia - Fair?

Sunday, 24th June at 2.00pm
Wentworth Falls School of Arts
Conducted by Fr Frank Brennan
with an eminent panel.
Please see details on the notice board or speak with Bern McPhee for more information.



Happy
Anniversary
Catherine and
Terry Beaver
for 14th May

Happy Birthday
John Forbes
for 17th May
Marg Ridout
for 17th May
Dominic Le Gras
for 18th May
Mary Duggan
for 19th May
David Colton
for 19th May

The Diocesan Works Fund Appeal will be held next Sunday, 20 May.