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Acts 10:34,37-43 We are witnesses
Colossians 3:1-4 Life in Christ
John 20:1-9 He has risen!

Responsorial Psalm: (sung)
This day was made by the Lord (183)
Gospel Acclamation: (sung)
(please see songsheet)

Servers

16 Apr Ray Wood
23 Apr Michelle Davis

Readers

16 Apr 1st Reading Carol Drummond
Ps/Intercessions Christa Buckley
2nd Reading David Buckley
23 Apr 1st Reading Mary Duggan
Ps/Intercessions Julie Hodgkinson
2nd Reading Frances Huckstepp

Ministers of the Eucharist

16 Apr Heather Carroll and Norma Longmuir
23 Apr Bill Grieves and Marion Crowley

Children's Liturgy

16 Apr Children remain in Church
23 Apr Children remain in Church

Counters

16 Apr Barbara and Charles Hodgkinson
23 Apr Monica Van Horen

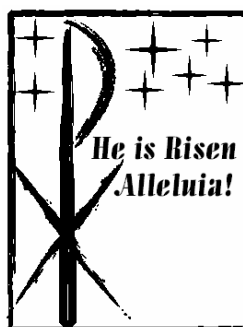
Morning Tea

16 Apr Marion Crowley
23 Apr Marie Johnston

Church Cleaning

21 Apr Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam
28 Apr Robyn and Kevin Burns

April Cosmology Morning: As 22 April is International Earth Day that will be the theme of our quiet meditation period during our gathering on Friday 21 April from 10am till noon. Chapter 3 - Human Presence - of Father Thomas Berry's book, The Dream of the Earth will be the theme of our discussion. Song, prayers for healing and morning tea are included in our time together at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls. Enquiries Sister Jacinta 4757 2290

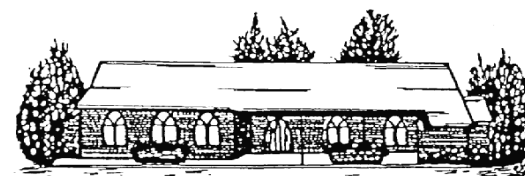


Easter Sunday
Year B
16 April 2006

Mary Magdalene and after her, Peter and John come to the tomb seeking the dead Jesus, but death has given way to life.
'This is the day the Lord has made. His right hand raised me up. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.'
The prophecies of old have been fulfilled: Jesus has risen from the dead. He promises that life to us also. Rejoice! Alleluia!

NEXT WEEK
Peace be with you
Acts 4: 32-35;
Psalms 117
1 John 5: 1-6; John 20:19-31

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
Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music 4th Saturday of month 2.00 pm

Mount Victoria

Christian Meditation (one hour) Every Wednesday 7.00 am
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

Alleluia!

Dear Friends,

“Let us sing Alleluia here below while we are still anxious, so that we may sing it one day there above when we are free from care ...

Let us sing Alleluia, not in the enjoyment of heavenly rest, but to sweeten our toil. Sing as travellers sing along the road: but keep on walking ... Sing up - and keep on walking.” (Timothy Radcliffe O.P.)

Easter Blessings, Lyn.

A huge **Thank You** to all who worked hard and long, up front and behind the scene, to make the Garage Sale such a success.... and thanks to all who donated ‘treasures’ for sale!

We congratulate and welcome
~ **Dulcie Davis** ~
who was Confirmed and received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church. Thank you for the faith you have placed in us and be assured of our continual prayers and support.

HAPPY EASTER!

GARAGE SALE: Thank you to everyone, especially the workers.

Garage Sale	1870.35
Ray's Books	250.60
Raffle	128.00
Sausage Sizzle	30.15
TOTAL	\$2279.10

The raffle was won by **Therese Gatt.**

Happy Anniversary
Mary and Travis
Kingston
for 22nd April.
Congratulations
on 45 years
of wedded bliss.

Happy Birthday
Alma Birrell for Today
Belinda Tokoli for 18th April
Noelzen Cliff for 19th April



Let us pray for all those in need of our prayers,
especially **Yvonne Thomas, Michael Cooper,**
Pat Leeder and Cathy McGloin.



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The power of this holy day

We ought all to rejoice on this holy day. No one should separate himself from the general rejoicing because he has sins on his conscience; no one should refuse to take part in the public worship because of the burden of his misdeeds. However, great a sinner he may be, on this day he should not despair of pardon, for the privileges granted by this day are great. If a thief was thought worthy of paradise, why should not a Christian be thought worthy of forgiveness? *St Maximus of Turin (died c.415)*



Easter Sunday

Celebrate that many people's lives will be improved thanks to your generosity.
Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion.
Have a wonderful Easter.



Please return your Project Compassion envelopes and boxes next week.

Cake and Craft Stall after Mass today.

It only takes a little to make a big change. What your dollars could do -

- \$2 could enable one person in Papua New Guinea to be tested for the HIV virus.
- \$5 could provide equipment for one Indigenous woman to make baskets to sell for income.
- \$20 could provide seeds for one year for a family vegetable garden in Bolivia.
- \$65 could enable the installation of a tap for a community of 500 people in Tanzania.
- \$100 could provide trauma counsellors in the Solomons with the resources to travel to communities in need of support.
- \$525 could provide a water pump in Tanzania.

A VOCATION VIEW: Christ has become our Paschal Sacrifice. Your ultimate purpose, to live and to breathe, is the eternal Jesus. Go forth to announce to the world - Christ, our hope, has risen, Alleluia!

An Easter gift

One of my Year 11 girls asked the question I'd been waiting for: *'Mr K are we going to collect Easter eggs again this year for the elderly?'* *'Well, I suppose so. Maybe there's something else we can do,' I suggested. 'No, let's collect the eggs again,' she replied.*

So we started collecting, wrapping and tagging 250 eggs. I'm sure a few got accidentally broken when my St Vinnie's members felt the need for chocolate. Once again, the huge job was made easy by so many helpers.

Just before school finished, a crew of my members took the eggs around to the elderly in our local Meals-on-Wheels service. 'Another job done,' I thought. Holidays were next on my list. When the Easter vacation was over I received a letter that made me take special notice. An ex-pupil of the school had gone around to the house of an elderly lady only to find her sitting at her table staring at this prettily wrapped Easter egg. She had been sitting there for quite some time and the woman could not help noticing the tears in the old lady's eyes.

'What's wrong?' the woman asked. 'This young girl came to my door and gave me this Easter present. It's the nicest thing that has happened to me in quite some time. I don't want to open it.' When I thought about the letter it made me realise that this simple act that was routine to me (and an interesting activity to my members) meant so much more than I realised in the life of another person. *(from Carmelprint)*