



Isaiah 50:5-9
James 2:14-18
Mark 8:27-35

The Lord my help
 Faith needs works
 Who am I for you?

Responsorial Psalm:

***I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
 in the land of the living.***

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise the Word of Truth and Life.

Servers

17 Sep Ray Wood
 24 Sep Pat Leeder

Readers

17 Sep	1st Reading	Catherine Beaver
	Ps/Intercessions	Wayne Evans
	2nd Reading	Terry Beaver
24 Sep	1st Reading	Kevin Burns
	Ps/Intercessions	Robyn Burns
	2nd Reading	Anne Broomfield

Ministers of the Eucharist

17 Sep Heather Carroll and Diana Landsberg
 24 Sep Julie Hodgkinson and Wayne Evans

Children's Liturgy

17 Sep Julie Hodgkinson
 24 Sep Carroll Family

Counters

17 Sep Judith and Frank
 24 Sep Julie and Lance

Morning Tea

17 Sep Carroll Family
 24 Sep Mignon Dwyer

Church Care

22 Sep Julie Hodgkinson
 29 Sep Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons



**Twenty Fourth
 Sunday Year B**

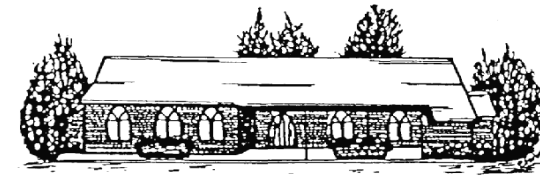
Jesus asks his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' and 'Who do you say I am?' Jesus is seeking a deeper insight into who he is from his chosen intimates. Peter answers bravely, 'You are the Christ,' but he utterly fails to understand a suffering and rejected Messiah, whom they must follow. Do we understand that we too must share the cross and recognize its redeeming value?

Next Week Way of peace
Wisdom 2:12,17-20;
Psalms 53; James 3:16-4:3;
Mark 9:30-37

For your Diary! **Men's Breakfast** - Saturday, 7 October. Guest Speaker - Mick Davis

New CD: Concert Favourites - Fathers Arthur Cook, John O'Neill, Terry Hogan and Stephen Monaghan with Helen Renaud have recorded a new CD of favourites including: *Born Free, Wonderful World, Rose of Tralee, A Policemans Lot, O What a Beautiful Morning, The Pearl Fishers and How Great Thou Art.* All proceeds will go to the diocesan Clergy Support Foundation. Price: \$25 + \$3.50 P&H (each). Orders: Fax (02) 9627 5363, or email stjohns10@bigpond.com.au

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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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
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@telapacific.com.au

Dear Friends,

This week the Church celebrated the feasts of the Exultation of the Cross and Our Lady of Sorrows, and I happened to read this reflection from "Living Well", Joan Chittister. Gretel Ehrlich wrote: *"History is a story that changes and has accidents and recovers with scars."* We all bear the scars of the past, true. Scars simply prove we were there. Not all scars are ugly. Scars speak, too, of survival and learning and wisdom, and hope. In fact, life without scars may be no life at all. **Blessings, Lyn.**

Next Sunday is Social Justice Sunday. To mark this occasion, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference has produced the 2006 Social Justice Sunday Statement, *The Heart of Our Country: Dignity and justice for our Indigenous sisters and brothers.* The Statement draws on Pope John Paul II's address to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia, twenty years ago in Alice Springs.

The Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Sunday Statement can be downloaded from the websites of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (www.acbc.catholic.org.au) and the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au).

The Fundraising Committee will be holding a **Cake and Craft Stall** after mass on the October long weekend, Sunday 1st October. Donations of cakes, biscuits, jams, pickles and items suitable for the craft stall will be very welcome.

Parish Family Bush Bash

Tickets will be sold after mass today and next Sunday.
\$20 Adult
\$40 Family
(2 adults & 2 children)
Under 5 - free
Nibbles, 3 meats, salads, desserts, tea and coffee.

SHARE THE HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE

Special guest: **Fr John Rea** who has a powerful healing ministry.
10 -14 October at St Gregory's College, Campbelltown. Charismatic, ecumenical conference for the whole family with international speakers. Includes special, fun programmes for youth, children and pre-schoolers. Daily Mass will be available.
Everyone is welcome.
Ph: Leanne at Servants of Jesus on 9624 3322.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

A reminder that this group will be holding its first meeting, after Mass, on Sunday, 24 Sept, 'Social Justice Sunday'. All welcome.

Social Justice Sunday 24th September. There will be a discussion on *Making Indigenous Poverty History*, led by Phil Glendenning from the Edmund Rice Centre at Mary MacKillop Place, Mount Street, North Sydney between 10am-4pm about. Followed by a sausage sizzle. (Gold coin donation)

~Reminder~

The Social Committee is meeting at **Anne-Marie's** home, 85 Godson Avenue, Blackheath at 2pm on Tuesday, 19th September. All welcome! **(4787 6325)**

Meditative Prayer Service using Scripture and Taizé music - Saturday, 23rd September at 2pm (for one hour) in the church.

Happy Anniversary

Jan & Barry Roberts for 22 September
Susan & Anthony Kerr for 23 September

ST CANICE'S ANNUAL GOLF DAY

St Canice's Primary School is holding its 8th Annual Golf Day on Sunday 24th September.

The major sponsor is, once again, Raine and Horne, Katoomba, and with the support of many other local businesses, its promises to be a great day. The competition, a 4 person Ambrose, will commence at 10.30am for 11.00am shotgun start. The cost of \$30 covers entry to the competition, BBQ lunch and soft drinks. There are lots of prizes to be won, a raffle, lucky door prizes and an auction where you might just pick up a great bargain for yourself or to use as a Christmas present! So, why not get a team together or, alternatively, ring the Golf Club for a spot on the sheet. Bookings can be made at Katoomba Golf Club on 4782-2205, or for sponsorship details or further assistance call Tricia Morris on 4757-2198.

All ex-students and teachers of Mt St Benedict's College at Pennant Hills are invited to attend the 40th anniversary celebrations of the school's opening. There is a cocktail party at 7.30pm on Saturday, 21 October and a Mass and afternoon tea on Sunday, 22 October 2006 commencing at 1.30pm. For details visit the college website on www.msben.nsw.edu.au or telephone the school's development officer on 9980 0415.

Happy Birthday

John Crowley for 20th September
Peter Le Gras for 20th September
Judith Mackrell for 21st September
Lindsay Inman for 22nd September
Roslyn James for 23rd September
Barry Leeder for 23rd September
Helen Chadwick for 23rd September



*Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Anne Proke - 19th September***

Jesus, Human and Divine

Presenter: Sr Virginia Bourke RSJ
Date: 20th September
Time: 7pm - 9pm Cost: Donation
Booking: 9831 4911
Venue: Institute for Mission
1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.

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Monday evenings, 7pm-9pm
Oct 2 - Nov 13. Sacred Heart Parish Hall - \$20.00 per class.
Contact Lindena 0410 310 205