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Exodus 34:4-6.8-9 Forgive us  
2Corinthians 13:11-13 Live in peace  
John 3:16-18 God's love

**Responsorial Psalm:** Glory and praise for ever.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia! (x4)  
Father we praise you as Lord,  
All of the earth gives you worship,  
For your majesty, praise the Spirit, praise the Son.

*Let us preach without preaching, not by words but by example, by the catching force, the sympathetic influence of what we do. John H. (Cardinal) Newman*

**Servers**

18 May Diane Stewart  
25 May Ray Wood

**Readers**

18 May 1st Reading Mary Duggan  
Ps/Intercessions David Ridoutt  
2nd Reading Frances Huckstepp  
25 May 1st Reading Catherine Beaver  
Ps/Intercessions Yvonne Thomas  
2nd Reading Terry Beaver

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

18 May Pat Wicks and Wayne Evans  
25 May Heather Carroll and Diana Landsberg

**Children's Liturgy**

18 May Frances Huckstepp  
25 May Children remain in the Church.

**Counters**

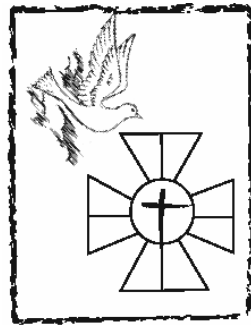
18 May Monica  
25 May Judith and Frank

**Morning Tea**

18 May Robyn Burns  
25 May Jan Roberts

**Church Care**

23 May Noeline and Kevin Phelps  
30 May Judy Harris and Monica Van Horen



**The Most Holy Trinity**

Father, Son and Spirit:  
what a wonderful mystery this is!  
In these Persons we find the deep love God has for each one of us: creation, death and resurrection, the breath of life-giving spirit.  
God's love is manifested in so many ways, all of which woo us into a loving response.  
The Trinity invites us into a personal friendship in this life, and then for all eternity.

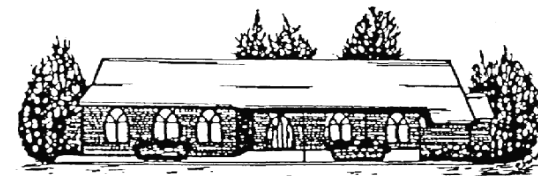
**NEXT WEEK:** Living bread  
*Deuteronomy 8:2-3.14-16;*  
*Psalm 147*  
*1Corinthians 10:16-17;*  
*John 6:51-58*



**Eternal Trinity...** I have seen that I am your image; this is a gift that I receive from you in your power, eternal Father, and in your wisdom, which is attributed to your only begotten Son. The Holy Spirit who proceeds from you, Father, and from your Son has prepared me, giving me a will to love you. Eternal Trinity, you are the Creator, I the creature. I have come to know, in the new creation you made of me in the blood of your Son, that you are in love with the beauty of your creature.

**St Catherine of Siena (c.1347-1380)**

# 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>

<b>Blackheath - Mass</b>	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
Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music	4th Saturday of month	2.00 pm
<b>Mount Victoria - Mass</b>	1st Friday of month	7.00 pm

**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, Monica Bright or Chris Le Gras.

**Bulletin Items:** please contact Kate by 7.00pm Thursday - phone 4787 8520 or email [sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com](mailto:sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com)

**Dear Friends,**

We can spend time trying to understand what the "Trinity" is all about, but will never reach a satisfactory conclusion. Or we can go straight to the heart of the mystery, which is about loving relationship. And we have been invited into God's loving relationship in Baptism and are sent to form loving relationship with others - in our families, our work, and in all aspects of our lives. As Church we are specially blessed - and each time we form new or deepen familiar relationships, heal or repair fragile relationships, we celebrate this feast of Trinity! **Blessings, Lyn.**

**Meditative Prayer Service** using Scripture and Taizé music, next **Saturday, 24 May at 2pm** for an hour in the Church. All welcome.

**A Vocation View:** Listen to the call to live in community. Call on the Trinity to help you discern. (2 Corinthians 13:11-13)

Please pray for those who are ill: **Marjory Cowell, Roger Johnstone, Travis Kingston, Cec O'Brien, Irene Peacock, David Ridoutt and Marion Walker.**

**MONSTER GARAGE SALE**  
**Saturday 24th and**  
**Sunday 25th May**

Helpers are needed for our Garage Sale on the day/s and also the week leading up to the sale.

We need people to help with sorting out our goodies and setting up the hall ready for an early start on the Saturday.

If you can help with either of these activities, please put your name and phone number on the list on the bulletin board.

Thanks, and don't forget, keep your treasures coming in. Following Mass, at 11am, there will be an auction of Gift Vouchers from local shops - be prepared!

*The Parish Hall will be open before and after mass for Garage Sale items to be dropped off.*




**WORLD YOUTH DAY**  
**58 days to go!**



We, your church flower arrangers, desperately need another person to share this privileged commitment. Please ring Jan Roberts on 4787 5252 or David Buckley on 4787 5105.


*Sacred Heart*  
*Parish Dinner*  
*to be held on*  
*Saturday, 31st May*  
*at*

*The Manor House,*  
*Mt Victoria*  
*from 6.30pm.*  
Three Course Dinner  
\$35 p.p.  
Beautiful surroundings.  
Open Fire.  
Tickets are available after Mass today.  
**Hope to see you there!**

**Happy Birthday**  
**Dominic Le Gras**  
for Today  
**Marg Duggan**  
29 years   
and 252 months  
on 19th May  
**Anthony Gilchrist**  
for 23rd May  
**Alison Cater**  
for 24th May

**Sacraments of Initiation:** There will be a meeting after Mass today for the parents and children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Let us continue to pray that gifts of the Holy Spirit will come upon these families, and upon our parish during this special time. If you didn't get a prayer card last week, do pick one up and pray for the children by name:  
**Jacinta Laird, John-Paul Lillis, Freya McNair, Edwina Ruse and Brigid White.**  
The Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist will be administered by Bishop Kevin Manning on 10th August.

**DWF APPEAL:** Your donations to the Diocesan Works Fund Pastoral Appeal today will help to support the ministries of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta. **Our quota is \$1,607 so please give generously.** A few of the ministries that benefit from the DWF are: Institute for Mission, Office of Co-ordinator of Social Justice, Youth & Young Adult Apostolate, Catholic Social Services, Children and Family Services to name a few. Envelopes will be on the seats in the Church over a two-week period.

 **Caritas AUSTRALIA** **Burma Cyclone Appeal**  
Once again our Parish has met the 'test' set in Matthew's Gospel. The response to last Sunday's appeal for the victims of the Cyclone in Burma shows most clearly that we do care for "the most vulnerable and disadvantaged of our fellow human beings".  
**A total of \$2,100 has been donated – Thank You!!**  
If you were not here last Sunday or were 'caught short' on the day and would like to donate, envelopes are available in the Church foyer.

**Caritas Australia:** "Unlike many other organisations, we already have access to Burma," Mr de Groot said according to a Caritas statement. "We have already distributed food, water and shelter to three of the affected districts... distributed medical supplies to 16,000 people. The number helped will rise soon. We are able to channel funds directly into communities through Catholic networks, by-passing blockages imposed by the military." from Cath News

The Commissioning of our Catechists from Blackheath, Mt Victoria and Megalong Valley will take place during Mass on Sunday, 1st June.

**Parramatta Institute for Mission Library**  
We have a number of people who use the library for many different reasons.  
**Students** doing the Certificate in Pastoral Formation use the library on a regular basis.  
**Teachers** and students from different schools in the Diocese find the library very helpful when it comes to religious studies and assignments.  
**Parishioners** from the local parishes call in to borrow books that will assist them in their ministries or for private use.  
**You can join the library for only \$5.00 per year.**  
We are open from 9 - 5pm Monday – Friday and you will find us at  
**1-5 Marion St, Blacktown.**  
If you need more information, please phone Maryann on 02 9831 4911.  
Why don't you check out our website: [www.instituteformission.com.au](http://www.instituteformission.com.au)