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Isaiah 53:10-11 **He offers his life**
Hebrews 4:14-16 **Don't let go of faith**
Mark 10:35-45 **Life given for all**

Response to the Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be upon us,
as we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (repeat)

Servers

18 Oct Bill Grieves
24 Oct Diane Stewart Mt Vic Vigil Mass
25 Oct Michelle Davis

Readers

18 Oct 1st Reading Monica Bright
Ps/Intercessions Anthony Gilchrist
2nd Reading Brian Bright
25 Oct 1st Reading Elizabeth Giddey
Ps/Intercessions Frances Huckstepp
2nd Reading Anthony Gilchrist

Ministers of the Eucharist

18 Oct Heather Carroll and Carla Endean
25 Oct Heather Carroll and Julie Hodgkinson

Children's Liturgy

18 Oct Julie Hodgkinson
25 Oct Frances Huckstepp

Counters

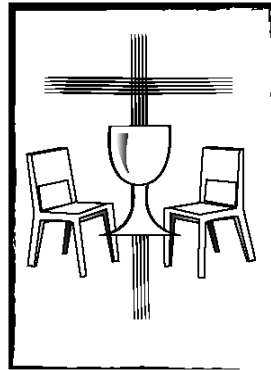
18 Oct Julie and Lance
25 Oct Robyn and Adrian

Morning Tea

18 Oct Barbara Grieves
25 Oct Sue Holz

Church Care

23 Oct Peter Ticehurst and Carla Endean
30 Oct Judy Harris and Vicky



**Twenty-ninth
Sunday Year B**

The disciples James and John are looking for a favour - having first and second place in the kingdom.

Jesus calls them to think differently.

God alone decides our rightful place. Jesus tells all the disciples that being a faithful follower of his will not bring honour or esteem.

A friend of Jesus will do as he did; will serve unselfishly and experience suffering.

Next Week: **What do you want?** Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 125 Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

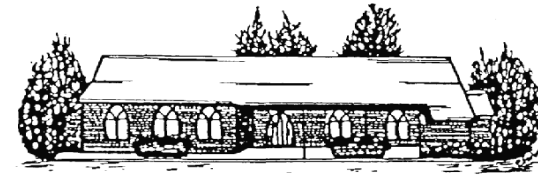


In memoriam: Ron Drummond ~ 18 October;
Br Colin Smith ~ 23 October; Edith Ridoutt ~ 23 October.



Meeting Christ today It is no use saying that we are born two thousand years too late to give room to Christ... Now, it is with the voice of our contemporaries that Christ speaks, with the eyes of store clerks, factory workers and children that he gazes; with the hands of office workers, slum dwellers and suburban housewives that he gives... And giving shelter or food to anyone who asks for it, or needs it, is giving it to Christ.
Dorothy Day (1897-1980)

SACRED HEART PARISH



Sacred Heart Church ~ Blackheath
Saint Paul's Church ~ Mount Victoria
Saint Joseph's Church ~ Megalong Valley

We wish to acknowledge the Darug and Gundungurra people,
the original custodians of this land.

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.

Administrator: Fr Bob Sheridan Parish Office hours:
Parish House: 4787 8811 Wednesday: 1.00pm - 5.00pm
Parish Office: 4787 8540 Thursday: 10.00am - 2.00pm
Fax: 4787 6143 All enquiries regarding Baptisms,
email: shbheath2@bigpond.com Marriages and sick calls, phone 4787 8811.

Website: <http://www.keepersoftheflame.net/SacredHeartParish/index.html>

Blackheath - Mass	Sunday	9.30am
Evening Mass	Tuesday	6.30pm
Morning Mass	Wednesday, Friday & Saturday	9.00am
	Thursday	8.00am
Benediction	2nd Saturday after 9.00am Mass	
Reconciliation	Saturday	9.30am
Mount Victoria - Vigil Mass	1st and 3rd Saturdays	6.00pm
Megalong Valley - Vigil Mass	2nd and 4th Saturdays	6.00pm

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 3rd Thursday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to either Fr Bob, Monica Bright (Chair), Adrian Carroll (Deputy Chair) or Chris Le Gras (Secretary).

Care Group - Carmel Vanny (4787 8706) Michelle Funnell (4757 2638)

Bulletin Items: Please contact Kate Forbes by 7.00pm Thursday.
Phone 4787 8520 or email sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com

THE ROSARY – IT'S EVOLUTION!

Given that October is the month of the Holy Rosary, it is an obvious time to reflect on its emergence for us. That evolution has taken many centuries.

Development of the Rosary can be traced back to the Bible's 150 Psalms, which were divided into three groups of 50. Those who could read sang the Psalms, while those who could not read, recited 150 prayers they had learnt, usually Our Fathers!

The Marian aspect of the devotion developed about the 11th or 12th Centuries, with the popularity of the Hail Mary, especially in England. Historically, St Dominic had great devotion to the Mother of God, and instilled that devotion into the men and women who followed his way of life in the Dominican order.

At the beginning of the 14th Century, the 150 Hail Marys were divided into 15 decades of 10 and were preceded by an Our Father. It was not until late in the 15th Century that another Dominican, Alan de la Roche, composed themes for meditation while reciting the 150 Hail Marys. The theme for the first 50 was The Incarnation, the next 50 The Passion, and for the remainder, The Resurrection, Ascension and Glorification.

The prayer component of the Rosary had a gradual evolution, so that today we have Four Mysteries, comprising 5 decades and each decade comprising 1 Our Father, 10 Hail Marys and 1 Glory Be. The Four Mysteries are Joyful, Light, Sorrowful and Glorious.

Likewise, its method of counting has a similar history, originally done by shifting small stones from one pile to the other. Later years saw the introduction of a circular loop of knotted string. This enabled persons to pray without ceasing. The knots were eventually replaced with beads.

Finally, for many people in the Middle Ages, the Holy Rosary was referred to as The Poor Man's Bible!
God Bless! Fr Bob

Mount Carmel Day Retreat Saturday, 7 November, 10am-4pm

Mount Carmel Retreat Centre,
247 St Andrews Road, Varroville.

Fr Gerard Moran OCD

(Retreat Director),

Theme: **"Let us approach the Table of the Word of God"**. At this time last year, the Pope and the Synod of Bishops met to look at the theme of "The Word of God in the life and ministry of the Church". On this retreat day we will prayerfully reflect on the fruits of their work to help deepen our appreciation of God's Word. For more information contact Carla Walker on 9603 1433.

St John of God Institute of Counselling/Life Skills Course

With 40 years' experience in Adult Education, the St John of God Institute of Counselling offers a 2-year experiential course in Counselling Skills, Personal Development, Basic Psychology and People Skills.

The course is held in the Library at Holy Cross College, Victoria Rd, Ryde, on Tuesday evenings (only) from 7.30-9.45pm.

First night and orientation is 2 February 2010. Catechists, Pastoral Workers, Parish Assistants, Parents, Care and Welfare Workers, Nurses and Teachers have all found the course invaluable in their lives and work. See leaflets available on church notice board.

Contact Ann McDowell tel (02) 9150 4038,
tarrilli@westnet.com.au

Recommendations for New Members on our Parish Pastoral Council

Nest Sunday we will be asking you to nominate members for our PPC. Chris Le Gras, Kevin Burns and myself will have served our time on the Council. We ask you to pray for discernment. You may nominate as many people as you wish. Forms will be supplied and they can be placed in the Nominations Boxes provided in the church. We are blessed to have so many gifted and generous people in our community.
Peace and blessings, Monica Bright.

Care Group: An invitation is extended to anyone who is able to assist the growing needs of our aging community. If you have some time and would like to participate in this special ministry, kindly write your name on the list outside with your phone number. Michelle or Carmel will contact you. I wish to thank them for their loving service done with great compassion and sensitivity.
Monica Bright



...And they're racing!

Come along and join the fun on **Melbourne Cup Day**, Tuesday, 3 November, at the

Blackheath Rainbow Stakes in the Parish Hall from 12 noon.

Decorate yourselves and your table in as many colours (the brighter the better - use the whole rainbow!!)

Bring your own picnic basket lunch and nibbles.

Dessert, champagne/orange juice, tea and coffee supplied. \$10.00 entrance fee.

Prizes, Prizes, Prizes!

To book a table, please ring Anne-Marie on 4787 6325.

ENVELOPES: There are still a number of envelopes in the Church Foyer to be collected.

Please pray for those who are ill: John Duggan; John Brodie, James Ford; Rose Haddow; Rita Jenner; Roger Johnstone; Ray Lee, Kenneth Kirkham; Irene Peacock; Cecily O'Brien; Hugo Riggs & Eric Tokoli.

THANK YOU TO OUR PARISHIONERS: Your welcome participation in Social Club functions over the past few years has enabled the generous donation of \$500 towards the Missionaries of Charity, Awassa, Ethiopia.

ROSTERS for Liturgical Ministers and Children's Liturgy are now available for collection in the Church Foyer.



**Happy Birthday
Jessie
Kelly
for today**

**Happy 26th
Anniversary
Jennifer & Wayne
Kelly
for 22 October**

Feast Days for this week! (18-24 October)

Sunday St Luke, Evangelist, wrote Gospel & Acts
Monday Sts John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues & Companions, Martyrs (d1640)
St Peter of Alcantara, Priest (1499-1562)
Tuesday St Paul of the Cross, Passionists Founder (1694-1775)
St Cornelius, Centurian (1st Century)
Thursday St Salome, Mother of Apostles James & John
Friday St John of Capistrano, Priest (1386-1456)
Saturday St Mary Anthony Claret, Bishop (1807-1870)

