

TODAY

Acts 1:1-11 **Taken to heaven**
Ephesians 1:17-23 **God's infinite power**
Luke 24:46-53 **Joy of the Ascension**

Responsorial Psalm:

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! x2
Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! x2



**Ascension of the Lord
Year C ~ 16th May**

The resurrected Jesus is about to ascend into heaven. He continues teaching his disciples, reminding them that his suffering and death were part of God's plan, to which they are witnesses. With the coming of the Holy Spirit they will experience gifts of hope, perception and power.

The Holy Spirit will be with them always, and with us too, as we live as members of Christ's body the Church.

ROSTERS

Servers

16 May Ray Wood
23 May Wayne Kelly

Readers

16 May 1st Reading Mary Duggan
Intercessions Carol Drummond
2nd Reading Anne Broomfield
23 May 1st Reading Wayne Evans
Intercessions David Buckley
2nd Reading Brian Bright

Ministers of the Eucharist

16 May Monica and Brian Bright
23 May Diana Landsberg and Michelle Davis

Children's Liturgy

16 May Anne Broomfield
23 May Fiona/Wayne Evans

Counters

16 May Christa and David
23 May Robyn and Kevin

Morning Tea

16 May Elizabeth Giddey
23 May Monica Van Horen

Church Care

21 May Sue Gracey and Barbara Grieves
28 May Phil and Pat Wicks

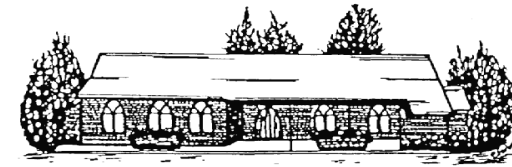
Next Week: With us forever Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103 Romans 8:8-17; John 14:15-16.23-26

Feast Days for this week! (16th – 22nd May 2010)

Sunday 16th St Simon Stock, Carmelite Prior General (d1265)
Monday 17th St Paschal Baylon, Religious (1540-1592)
Tuesday 18th St John 1, Pope, Martyr (d526), optional feast
St Eric of Sweden, Martyr (d1161), Patron of Sweden
Wednesday 19th St Celestine V, Pope (1215-1296)
Thursday 20th St Bernadine of Siena, Priest (1380-1444), optional feast
Friday 21st St Constantine, Emperor (d313)
Saturday 22nd St Rita of Cascia, Widow & Nun (1381-1457), optional feast



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.

Parish Priest: 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.

Parish Address: 18 Inconstant Street, Blackheath. NSW 2785

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

MAY MASS TIMES

Sunday	Sacred Heart	Blackheath	9.30am
Monday	St Canice's	Katoomba	10.00am
Tuesday	St Bonaventure's	Leura	5.00pm
Wednesday	St Francis Xavier's	Wentworth Falls	9.30am
Thursday	St Bonaventure's	Leura	9.30am
Friday	St Canice's	Katoomba	12.00pm
Saturday	St Canice's	Katoomba	9.30am
Saturday Vigil	St Bonaventure's	Leura	5.00pm

During May there will be No Vigil Masses at Mt Victoria or Megalong Valley.

Reconciliation St Canice's, Katoomba after Saturday 9.30am Mass

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 or Michelle Davis (Chair), Marjanna Gilchrist (Deputy Chair) and Diane Stewart (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 e-mail sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com

EMERGENCIES!

The parish house answer-phone will direct all callers to a selection of several numbers depending on the service required. Anything of a sacramental nature will be referred to Fr John Smith at Katoomba (4782 2804); Administration queries will be referred to our office where they will be cleared daily (4787 8540). All other enquiries will be answered by Barbara or Bill Grieves (4787 6687).

Sacred Heart Parish ~ Communion Services will be held each week on **Wednesday (9.00am)** and **Saturday (9.00am)**. The Saturday Service will be followed by Exposition and the Rosary.

Mass Times for May
Please see the front cover of the bulletin for changes to Mass times during May.

DWF APPEAL

Your donations to this month's Diocesan Works Fund Pastoral Appeal will help our Parish to support the ministries of the Catholic Church in our Diocese. Some of these ministries include Emmaus Disabled Persons, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Solo Parents Service and Project Elizabeth to name a few. Without your help, these wonderful ministries cannot assist those in need.

A Mass to Remember Rosemary
As it is Rosemary Davis' first anniversary on **Thursday, 27th May**, there will be a Mass for her at **7pm** in the church. Fr Paul Hanna will be the celebrant. All parishioners and friends are invited to attend to pray for Rosemary.



Everyone is most welcome to join the Lillis family at 7pm every evening in the month of May **for the Rosary at 264 Govetts Leap Road** - the last house on the left. If you've stopped saying the Rosary or have never said it before, we warmly welcome you.

Prayers are requested for: Trish Carey; Kim Crawford; Jessica Dean; Bernadette Ellery; James Ford; Paul Hinds; Roger Johnstone; Travis Kingston; Kenneth Kirkham; Fran Knight; Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; Fr John McCall OSA; Eileen Meade; Cecily O'Brien; Irene Peacock; Hugo Riggs and Cy Schreiber.

BISHOP ANTHONY FISHER TO VISIT: Sunday 4th July 2010 has been confirmed by the Diocese of Parramatta to celebrate the Installation of Fr Bob Sheridan as Parish Priest of Blackheath Parish at the 9.30am Mass. Bishop Anthony Fisher will be present and it is hoped that all members of the Parish Council and Finance Committee are able to be present at the 9.30am Mass. A "Welcome, Bishop Anthony!" morning tea will be held in the Church Hall after mass to give all parishioners a chance to meet and greet Bishop Anthony.

A TOUCH OF TIMOR: In support of the people of East Timor and the commitment of the Sisters of St Joseph to minister with, and to, the people of East Timor. To be held at St Joseph's, 64 Mackillop Drive, Baulkham Hills. Featuring Displays, Workshops, Gatherings – **Saturday, June 5 to Wednesday, June 9, 2010**. Please see brochure on Notice Board.

SACRED HEART PARISH DINNER

Saturday, 19 June, from 6.30pm
to be held at the
Blue Mountains Manor House
Montgomery St, Mount Victoria.

Tickets will be on sale from Sunday, 22 May (after Mass). Please note your reservation on the list on the Notice Board. Tickets are \$40 per person.

Menu:

Seafood Chowder & Bread Roll
Slow cooked Ratatouille Lamb Shanks

OR

Salmon, Crisp Potato Scales,
Ginger and Spinach Cream

Dessert:

Raspberry & White Chocolate Mousse

OR

Macadamia Ice Cream in Brandy Snap
Basket with Fruit Coulis

Please also note next to your name if you have a food allergy, or require a special meal, etc.
Thanks, Patricia and Mary.



MONSTER GARAGE SALE

To be held in the Church Hall on **Saturday, 29 May, 8.30am to 4pm** and **Sunday, 30 May, till 12pm.**

Praying the Gospel commentary sheets are now available via e-mail. If you would like to be on the mailing list, please send a request to sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com

Happy Birthday

John Forbes ~ 25 on 17 May
Dominic McGras for 18 May
Mary Duggan for 19 May



Feast of St George Preca (Malta's 1st Saint)

We will be celebrating a Mass for the Feast of St George Preca, **TODAY** at 5.00pm at Holy Family Church, Lot 32 Willowdene Ave, Luddenham. Following Mass, a light supper will be served. Please bring a plate of food to share.

As One Voice - National Music Conference: September 24 – 26, 2010

Don't miss this exciting music event for singers, instrumentalists, choirs, liturgists, teachers and all who are involved in music within the parish and school communities. A wide variety of workshops, concerts and music events will be offered by some of Australia's best loved singers and composers including Trisha Watts, Monica Brown, Fr Kevin Bates, Br James Maher, Amanda McKenna, John Burland, Michael Mangan, Peter Kearney and more!

For more information and to register online visit: www.asonevoice.com.au



Petition in Support of Catechist Classes

The NSW Government is trialling a secular ethics class in state schools that will draw students out of Catechists Classes. All the Christian Churches and major faiths across NSW are petitioning the government to move the ethics classes to another time. Catechists from our Parish are collecting signatures and you are encouraged to sign the petition in support of the position being taken by NSW Bishops. For more info visit: www.makeastand.org.au