

**TODAY**

*Nehemiah 8:2-6.8-10 A sacred day*  
*1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Body of Christ*  
*Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21 Jesus' mission*

**Response to the Psalm:**

Lord, you have  
the words of  
everlasting life.

**Gospel  
Acclamation:**

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Alleluia!

**Servers**

24 Jan Ray Wood  
31 Jan Michelle Davis

**Readers**

24 Jan	1st Reading	Mary Duggan
	Ps/Intercessions	Carol Drummond
	2nd Reading	Anne Broomfield
31 Jan	1st Reading	Robyn Burns
	Ps/Intercessions	Kevin Burns
	2nd Reading	Peter Ticehurst

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

24 Jan Bill Grieves and Michelle Davis  
31 Jan Monica and Brian Bright

**Children's Liturgy**

24 Jan Children remain in the church.  
31 Jan Julie Hodgkinson

**Counters**

24 Jan Laurie and Louise  
31 Jan Carla and Neil

**Morning Tea**

24 Jan Barbara Grieves  
31 Jan Elizabeth Giddey

**Church Care**

29 Jan Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam  
5 Feb The Gatt Family

Next week: **A prophet's lot** *Jeremiah 1:4-5.17-19;*  
*Psalm 70 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30*

**Happy 29th Anniversary Marjanna and Anthony Gilchrist for Today**

**Happy Birthday**

**Patricia Frazzer**  
79 on 25th January  
**Jeremy Lillis**  
4 on 30th January

If you would like to phone, send a card to, or visit our former parishioner, **RAY LEE**, he can be contacted at Moorshead Home, 26 Archibald St, Lyneham, ACT 2602. Ph (02) 6263 9774. Ray's room is No. 74 in the Bullwinkle Wing.

Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time: **Kirsty Hume; Helen Commens; and Arthur Finneran.**

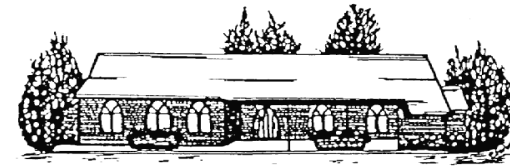


**Third Sunday  
Year C**

Today we read the beginning of Luke's gospel, followed by Jesus' announcement of his mission in the synagogue of his home town, Nazareth.

He chooses to read words from Isaiah's prophecy and makes them his own. He has been anointed and sent by God to bring good news to the poor, proclaiming the Lord's year of favour. This prophecy is being fulfilled today as it was in Nazareth.

# 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.

Parish Address: 18 Inconstant Street, Blackheath. NSW 2785

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

<b>Blackheath</b> - 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	
Exposition	All other Saturdays after 9.00am Mass	
Reconciliation	Saturday	9.30am
<b>Mount Victoria</b> - Vigil Mass	1st and 3rd Saturdays	6.00pm
<b>Megalong Valley</b> - 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 or members of the Parish Pastoral Council.

**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](mailto:sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com)

## AUSTRALIA DAY

Tuesday next, 26th January, is Australia Day where we celebrate the birth of our nation 109 years ago and the birth of our parish one year later, 108 years ago in 1902. So, for us in this Sacred Heart Parish Blackheath, this day is a double celebration where we acknowledge the same ideals, aspirations and oneness of endeavour that brings and holds us united throughout our lives. As we are both (these days) a nominally Christian nation and certainly a Catholic community, we like to think that we bring our Christian values into the lives of all Australians. We do so by our attitudes and particularly our support for those who are needy among us. This day is both a celebration of all that has been achieved by those who have gone before us and who have set the solid foundations for the society we are today and a commitment by us to continue this important work. So enjoy the day, celebrate our achievements and work hard both in our society and in our Catholic way of life.

For many parishioners this day will be celebrated as a community at our traditional parish picnic at Diana and Joe Lansberg's home at Mt Wilson. Have a great day!!!!

## ON FAMILIES!

Following the Holy Family mass celebrated some weeks ago, I have been asked to restate Dr Paul Kelly's 7c's of family life. These are:

1. **Commitment:** A life long caring for the other no matter what happens.
2. **Communication:** A willingness to listen, to dialogue and share your feelings with each other.
3. **Compatibility:** An ability to get along, to adjust and to be flexible.
4. **Compassion:** A capacity to understand weakness, to sympathise with failure and to support your partner when the going gets tough for them.
5. **Confession:** The readiness to say "I am sorry", to be reconciled and to be forgiven.
6. **Conviviality:** A sense of humour, to laugh at yourself and also make others smile.
7. **Children:** Whether your own, adopted, grandchildren or those of close relatives of whom life and love can be shared.

Hope this helps you in your family life!

God bless, Fr Bob.

## Please pray for those who are ill:

John Duggan; Leslie Dee;  
Bernadette Ellery; James Ford;  
Dominic Gilchrist; Rita Jenner;  
Roger Johnstone; Ray Lee;  
Kenneth Kirkham; Irene Peacock;  
Cecily O'Brien; Hugo Riggs;  
Cy Schreiber and John Wilkinson.

**Reflect on the Gospel:** *'He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen."*

Luke 4: 20-21



**Eric Tokoli** passed away this week in Katoomba palliative care after a long illness. Our prayers and thoughts go to Ann and family during this very sad time.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

When: Friday 5th March  
Where: Blackheath Baptist Church  
Time: 1.30pm  
Speaker: Mrs Merrie Gilchrist

**AUSTRALIA DAY:** Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am instead of the usual 6.00pm mass. Don't forget our annual picnic on Tuesday 26th at Diana and Joe Landsberg's place, "Withycombe", Church Lane, Mt Wilson. Bring a picnic lunch, blanket or chairs and enjoy good company in relaxing surrounds. It is also a chance to meet new parishioners on this day. **ALL WELCOME!**

## The Institute of Counselling ~ Counselling Courses 2010

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To register or enquire, please phone: (02) 9746 8800

## PARISH WORKING BEE



Saturday 30 January  
7.00am – 9.30am  
Many hands make light work so your help on this day would be appreciated.

## CATALYST FOR RENEWAL DINNER

Speaker: Geraldine Doogue.

Topic: Spirituality – making connections in our world.

Friday, 12 February, 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. St Bernadette's Parish Hall, 367 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill. Cost \$45 for 2-course dinner. (BYOG) RSVP by 3 February. Limited numbers. Bookings: tel (02) 9990 7003 or email: [Catalyst-for-renewal@tpg.com.au](mailto:Catalyst-for-renewal@tpg.com.au)

## Feast Days for this week! (Sunday 24 to Saturday 30 January)

Sunday St Francis de Sales, Visitation Order Founder, Bishop & Doctor (1567-1622) – Memorial Feast  
Monday Conversion of St Paul, Apostle - Feast  
Tuesday Australia Day – Sts Timothy & Titus - Feasts (transferred to 23 Jan)  
Wednesday St Angela Merici, Virgin- Founder of Ursuline Nuns – (1474-1540) Optional  
Thursday St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor (1226-1274) Memorial Feast  
Friday St Aquilinus, Priest & Martyr (d1015)  
Saturday St Bathildis – Queen & Widow (d680)

