

TODAY

*Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Faith brings life
2Timothy 1:6-8.13-14 Spirit of power
Luke 17:5-19 Increase our faith*

Psalm Response:
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (x2)

Servers
3 Oct Michelle Davis
10 Oct Bill Grieves

Readers
3 Oct 1st Reading Christa Buckley
Intercessions Frances Huckstepp
2nd Reading David Buckley
10 Oct 1st Reading Carmel Vanny
Intercessions Barbara Smith
2nd Reading Rosemary McArdle

Ministers of the Eucharist
3 Oct Heather Carroll and Julie Hodgkinson
10 Oct Carla Endean and Anthony Gilchrist

Children's Liturgy
3 Oct No children's liturgy during the holidays.
10 Oct No children's liturgy during the holidays.

Counters
3 Oct Louise and Laurie
10 Oct Carla and Neil

Morning Tea
3 Oct Jan Roberts
10 Oct Carla Endean

Church Care
8 Oct Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam
15 Oct The Gatt Family



Twenty Seventh Sunday


The apostles asked Jesus to 'increase our faith'. We all find 'faith' elusive, until we see in hindsight that we did have faith, given us as a gift by God. It is not something we can take for granted. If we invite Jesus into our hearts, he will be our source of faith. As we grow day by day in communion with him, we will also grow in faith.

NEXT WEEK: **PRaise GOD** 2KINGS 5:14-17; PSALM 97 2TIMOTHY 2:8-13; LUKE 17:11-19

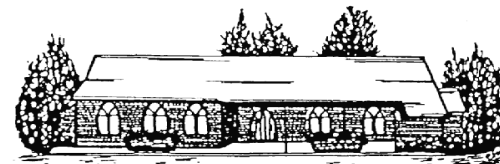
Please pray for those who are ill: Edna Bentick; Trish Carey; Kim Crawford; John Duggan, James Ford; Virginia Hayward, Miriam Helby, Roger Johnstone; Travis Kingston; Kenneth Kirkham; Fran Knight; Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; Eileen Meade; Cecily O'Brien; Irene Peacock; Hugo Riggs and Cy Schreiber.

Feast Days for this week! (3rd to 9th October 2010)

Sunday 3rd St Dionysius, Bishop (d95), Disciple of St Paul
Monday 4th St Francis of Assisi (1181-1226), Founder of Franciscans, Memorial
Tuesday 5th St Faustina Koawalska, Religious (1905-1938)
Wednesday 6th Bl Marie Rose Durocher, Religious (1811-1949)
St Bruno, Priest (1033-1101), Optional
Thursday 7th Our Lady of the Rosary, Memorial
Friday 8th St Pelagia, Virgin & Martyr (290-305)
Saturday 9th Sts Donis, Bishop, Martyr & Companions, Martyrs (d250), Optional
St Abraham OT Patriarch & St Sarah his wife



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: Father Bob Sheridan

Parish House: 4787 8811 Parish Office hours:
Parish Mobile: (24 hrs/7 days) 0428 878 810 Wednesday: 12.00pm - 4.00pm
Parish Office: 4787 8540 Thursday: 10.00am - 2.00pm
Fax: 4787 6143 All enquiries regarding Baptisms,
email: shbheath2@bigpond.com Marriages and sick calls, ph 4787 8811.

Parish Address: 18 Inconstant Street, Blackheath. NSW 2785

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	
Exposition	All other Saturdays 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 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 by 7.00pm Thursday.
Phone 4787 8520 or e-mail sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to Kenya, Grace, Jacob, Monique, Simone, Annabel and Jan who have now been fully initiated into the sacramental life of our Church. Congratulations also to Peter McNair on receiving his First Holy Communion. May their devotion to Our Lord through the Sacraments be lifelong and of great comfort to them as they journey through life in company with our caring Parish and universal family.

Once again, many thanks to everyone who contributed to the obvious success of the day! Particular thanks are extended to Fr Ron McFarlane (Parish Priest at Marayong and Episcopal Vicar for Clergy in the Parramatta Diocese) who stood in at the last minute for Bishop Kevin Manning who took ill on Saturday afternoon.



At 11am on Sunday 17th October, following the 9.30am Mass, a celebration for all parishioners and friends will be held in the

Parish Hall to include a BBQ, film and entertainment. All welcome!

OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Our Lady, long ago, has requested that we daily pray the Rosary. Her most recent request for this to occur came out of her apparitions at Fatima in 1917. There has never been a greater need than now to heed this request and there has never been a better time than October, the Month of the Holy Rosary, for us to make that extra effort to pray the Rosary.

THE MASS IS CHANGING - HOW AND WHY!

Why has the Holy See desired a more literal translation of the Roman Missal?

One concern is that the current translation often uses casual, everyday language that does not reflect the sense of the sacred in the original. Many languages have an elevated, formal way of speaking that is used in worship. Formality underscores the sacredness of the experience and helps us recognize the glory and majesty of God. The new translation uses a more formal, elevated tone that seeks to lift the mind and heart to God.

God bless! Fr. Bob

WEDNESDAY OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the **office will now be open on Wednesdays** and we thank **Michelle Finlay** for standing in for Marilyn during October.

ROSTER

The **Liturgical Ministers'** Rosters are available in the church foyer. Your name is highlighted on your copy.

VOLUNTEERS: Your parish is in need of extra Readers during the 9.30am Mass as well as Children's liturgists. Should you be willing to share your voices and skills with children, please let the office know on 4787 8540 and speak to Patricia or Marilyn or Fr Bob.

A VOCATION VIEW

Oh, that today you would hear His voice! Listening brings faith; faith brings hope. Hope brings trust; trust brings courage to follow the Lord.

OUR MISSION UPDATE: Fr Patrick Keenan, our Missionary guide for the next 3 weeks, has arrived and has already begun his Mission by celebrating two Masses yesterday, including the Vigil Mass at Mt Victoria and he will be the main celebrant at today's Mass.

During the next two weeks, Fr Pat will be celebrating the following Masses, including Home Masses at which all parishioners are invited to attend (accompanied by a plate, if possible!!)

There are still vacancies available for anyone desirous of having Fr Pat make a home visit. Please advise the office or myself should you wish to take advantage of this offer. A HUGE thanks to those who have made their homes available for these Masses.

Mon 4 th Oct	7.00pm	Bill & Barbara Grieves	37 Mountbatten St, Blackheath
Tue 5 th Oct	7.00pm	Carmel Vanny	1 Kanimbla St, Blackheath
Wed 6 th Oct	7.00pm	St Joseph's Church	Megalong Valley
Thu 7 th Oct	2.00pm	Carmen Beard	95 Old Shipley Rd, Blackheath
Fri 8 th Oct	6.00pm	McNair Family	101 Narrow Neck Rd, Katoomba
Sat 9 th Oct	9.00am	Sacred Heart Church	Wentworth St, Blackheath
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	St Joseph's, Megalong Valley
Sun 10 th Oct	9.30am	Sacred Heart Church	Wentworth St, Blackheath
Mon 11 th Oct	7.00pm	Bill & Barbara Grieves	37 Mountbatten St, Blackheath
Tue 12 th Oct	4.00pm	Paula & Cy Schreiber	41 Hooper St, Mt. Victoria
Wed 13 th Oct	7.00pm	Pat & Carol Drummond	15 Sheila St, Medlow Bath
Thu 14 th Oct	7.00pm	The Nolan Family	56 Cross St, Blackheath
Fri 15 th Oct	7.00pm	Michelle Davis	98 Hat Hill Rd, Blackheath
Sat 16 th Oct	9.00am	Sacred Heart Church	Wentworth St, Blackheath
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	St Paul's Church, Mt Victoria
Sun 17 th Oct	9.30am	Sacred Heart Church	Wentworth St, Blackheath
	11.00am	Sacred Heart Hall	Mary MacKillop Celebration

Change of Mass Location: Please note that for **23rd October**, the **6pm Vigil Mass** is being relocated from the Megalong Valley to **St Paul's Church, Mt Victoria** during our Mission.