



Isaiah 8:23-9:3 **Oppression lifted**  
 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17 **Make up differences**  
 Matthew 4:12-23 **Light has dawned**

**Psalm Response:**

*The Lord is my light, my light and my salvation.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia! (x2)  
*Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
 and healed all who were sick.*  
 Alleluia, Alleluia! (x2)

**Servers**

23 Jan Jan Roberts  
 30 Jan Michelle Davis

**Readers**

23 Jan	1st Reading	Ron Davis
	Intercessions	Patricia Dee
	2nd Reading	Rosemary McArdle
30 Jan	1st Reading	Claire Maguire
	Intercessions	Frances Huckstepp
	2nd Reading	Ian Maguire

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

23 Jan Diana Landsberg and Diane Stewart  
 30 Jan David Buckley and Heather Carroll

**Children's Liturgy**

No children's liturgy during the school holidays.

**Counters**

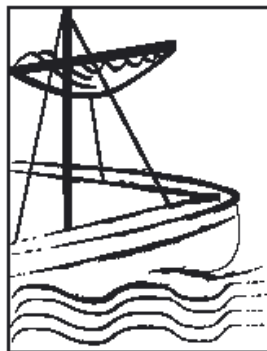
23 Jan Robyn and Kevin  
 30 Jan Louise and Laurie

**Morning Tea**

23 Jan Carroll Family  
 30 Jan Carla Endean

**Church Care**

28 Jan Sue Gracey and Barbara Grieves  
 4 Feb TBA



**Third Sunday ~ Year A**

The public ministry of Jesus begins in a humble way beside the lake of Galilee. He chooses fishermen who leave their nets to follow him.

A light has dawned, a light that will continue to shine in all who come to know Jesus. We too can bring this light into the lives of those we meet, by proclaiming the Good News and helping those who are suffering and in pain.

Next Week: God's blessed ones *Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 145 1Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 5:1-12*

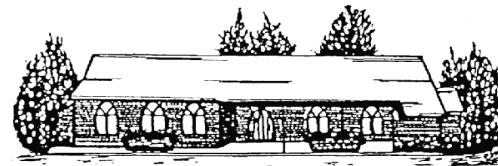
**Liturgical Ministers' Rosters** are available for collection at the back of the church.

**Feast Days for this week! (23rd to 29th January 2011)**

Sunday 23rd	St Ildelphonsus, Bishop (607-667AD)
Monday 24th	St Francis de Sales, Founder, Bishop & Doctor (1567-1622), Memorial Feast
Tuesday 25th	Conversion of St Paul, Apostle, Feast
Wednesday 26th	AUSTRALIA DAY; Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops, Feasts
Thursday 27th	St Angela Merici, Virgin & Founder (1474-1540), optional
Friday 28th	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor (1226-1274), Memorial
Saturday 29th	St Aquilinus, Priest & Martyr (d1015)



# 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, Marriages and sick calls, ph 4787 8811.
email: shbheath2@bigpond.com	

Parish Address: 18 Inconstant Street, Blackheath. NSW 2785

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

<b>Blackheath - Mass</b>	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 - Vigil Mass</b>	1st and 3rd Saturdays	6.00pm
<b>Megalong Valley - Vigil Mass</b>	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 the Parish Office on Wednesday or Thursday during office hours on 4787 8540 or email [shbheath2@bigpond.com](mailto:shbheath2@bigpond.com)

## WELCOME TO 2011

Here we are welcoming you to another year and already over half of January has passed us by. This is the first week our office has re-opened after the Christmas/New Year break. This should see a speedy return to our normal activities. Last Thursday evening, the Parish Council met for the first time this year and preparations are well advanced for us to celebrate Australia Day and the re-opening of schools on 31st January. I pray that this year will be rewarding for you in terms of health and in your family relationships and with each other.

## AUSTRALIA DAY

Wednesday next, 26th January, is Australia Day, when we celebrate the birth of our nation - 110 years ago! And the birth of our parish, one year later, 109 years ago in 1902. So, for us in Sacred Heart Parish Blackheath, this is a day of double celebration where we gather to celebrate the same ideals, aspirations and oneness of endeavour that brings and holds us united throughout our lives.

As we are both 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 among us who are needy. 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 important work.

So enjoy the day, celebrate our achievements and work hard for the betterment of both our faith and Australian way of life.

For many parishioners, this day will be celebrated as a community at our traditional parish picnic at Diana and Joe Landsberg's house, "Withycombe", Church Road, Mount Wilson. This event will still be held at this venue even though we may experience adverse weather on the day. Have a great day!

## SPECIAL FLOODS APPEAL

St Vincent de Paul is today conducting a special appeal throughout our Diocese aimed at helping our brothers and sisters who have been affected by the recent devastating floods in all eastern states. We invite you to use one of the envelopes located in the pews and to place those envelopes in with the second collection today. Thank you.

Welcome to our new parishioner, **Carol Meehan**, and any other new residents who have joined our community recently. Please make yourself known at our after mass social get together.  
*God bless! Fr Bob*

**Afternoon Capers** will return on **Tuesday, 1st February**, from 1pm to 3pm. A light luncheon will be served, plenty of good conversation and board games to enjoy. If you need transport or information, please phone Diane on 4787 1357.



## AUSTRALIA DAY and our 109th PARISH BIRTHDAY ~WEDNESDAY 26TH JANUARY 2011~

Mass will be held at 9.30am on this day.

**Diana and Joe Landsberg** have kindly invited us, once again, to their beautiful historic property, "Withycombe", Church Rd at Mount Wilson.

This is a BYO everything, although hot water, tea and coffee will be provided. Within the grounds, there is play equipment to keep the children entertained and plenty of room for them to run!

There is lots of shade for adults to sit and chat! Do come along! Bring a picnic lunch to share and enjoy good company and relaxing surrounds. It is also a chance to meet new parishioners on this day. ALL WELCOME.

## Introduction to Christian Meditation:

*"When we live in community and everyday life is busy and difficult, it is absolutely essential for us to have moments alone to pray and meet God in silence and quietness."*

Jean Vanier



If you would like to know what Christian Meditation is all about and feel that you would like to try it, an introductory course will begin on **Monday, 7 February, 2011 at 10.30am** – held at 227 Leura Mall.

The course will take place over 6 consecutive Mondays.

For those who find the day or time inconvenient, the same course will be conducted at Blackheath on **Saturday afternoons at 4:00.**

For more information, please call Barbara on 4787 6032.

## Happy Anniversary

*Louise and Laurie Noyes for Today*

## Happy Birthday

Marjanna Gilchrist for Today  
Patricia Frazer ~ 80 on 25th January

## Happy Pearl Anniversary

*Marjanna and Anthony Gilchrist  
~30 years of wedded bliss~  
on 24th January*

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS

**1st M Hollingdale**  
**2nd Kim Sutcliffe**  
**3rd Michael Johnston**

**Christmas Cake Winner**  
**Dominic Burke**

**Correct weight 3.4kg**

Thanks to everyone for your donations. A wonderful result!



Raffle	\$769.00
Cake	72.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$841.00</b>

## On the Notice Board

- ◆ Attention all Solicitors and Barristers
- ◆ Eastern Turkey Trip
- ◆ Charismatic Mass
- ◆ Positions Vacant