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Acts 1:1-11 Taken to heaven  
Ephesians 1:17-23 God's power at work  
Matthew 28:16-20 Parting promise

**Psalm Response:**

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)

**Servers**

5 Jun Bill Grieves  
12 Jun Pat Wicks

**Readers**

5 Jun	1st Reading	Pat Wicks
	Intercessions	Marilyn Rowe
	2nd Reading	Ron Davis
12 Jun	1st Reading	Claire Maguire
	Intercessions	Patricia Dee
	2nd Reading	Ian Maguire

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

5 Jun Monica and Brian Bright  
12 Jun Michelle Davis and Elizabeth Giddey

**Children's Liturgy**

5 Jun TBA  
12 Jun TBA

**Counters**

5 Jun Monica  
12 Jun Judith and Frank

**Morning Tea**

5 Jun Claire Maguire  
12 Jun Barbara Grieves

**Church Care**

10 Jun Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam  
17 Jun Gatt Family



**Ascension of the Lord**

**Year A**

In the Ascension we see the consummation of the glorification of Christ after his earthly life and the final ignominy and suffering of his passion and death. But Jesus' mission is not completed yet. He sends his apostles from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth to witness to his saving love for all people. He assures us that he is still with us - till the end of time.

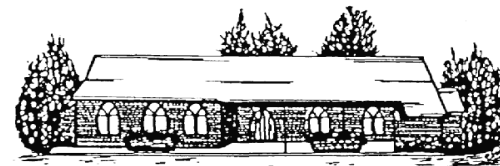
Next Week: **Receive the Spirit** Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103 1Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13; John 20:19-23

**Feast Days for this week (5th to 11th June)**

Sunday 5th	St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr (C675-755), memorial
Monday 6th	St Norbert, Bishop (1080-1134), optional
Tuesday 7th	St Robert of Newminster, Abbot (1100-1159)
Wednesday 8th	St Medard, Bishop (457-560)
	St William of York, Bishop (d1154)
Thursday 9th	St Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor (306-373), optional
Friday 10th	St Getulius, Martyr (d120)
Saturday 11th	St Barnabos, Apostle - 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: 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), Frances Huckstepp (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)

~ 71 DAYS TO GO TILL WORLD YOUTH DAY MADRID 16-21 AUGUST 2011 ~

### New Mass Liturgy Handout

As promised last week, available for your collection today is a handout for you to keep, relating to the introduction of next week's Mass Liturgy changes. Once received, should you have any questions or difficulties with the content of the handout, please feel free to contact Fr Bob. Whatever else, please do not forget to take a copy of the handout home with you **AND TO BRING IT BACK WITH YOU NEXT SUNDAY** (Pentecost Sunday).

### Sacramental Program

The newly introduced three year program has as this year's goal the Reconciliation of those entering into the program. To date, we have one candidate despite canvassing all three public schools. Should you know of anyone else interested in joining this program, please let me know as soon as possible.

### Pen Pal Wanted!

We have received the following letter dated 15th May 2011 which reads as follows:

*"Dear Parishioners, I'm writing as an inmate at Long Bay Jail. I'm 26, with 2 years to go until eligible for parole. I'm looking to live up the Blue Mountains when I get out. From what I've seen of the community up there, and scenery, it's exactly what I need. I got your address from the Blue Mountains Gazette's Easter Special, one of the other inmates gets this sent in. I don't have much support on the outside apart from my mother who lives in Tamworth, and a few friends in Sydney. So, I'm looking to get to know some people up the mountains, to get the lay of the land and discern the services up there. My grandfather was a (Bible only) pastor all his life, living to about 97, so Christianity has been a major influence in my life, though I have my own ideas about it. I've investigated the Catholics a bit, read the Marist messenger, Journal of Catholic Culture, contacted the Centre for Catholic inquiry, attended the services here and spoken to the Catholic Chaplain on four times (Peter Carroll). I've still a lot to discern about the Catholic faith. If it could be arranged for a pen friend of sorts, to write to me, this would be most helpful and appreciated"... Daniel*

If interested in contacting Daniel, please see Fr Bob or the office for details.

### Pancakes

Don't forget - today is a fundraising event for Jonathan's WYD experience. A gold coin donation gives you a delicious face full of pancakes.

**God Bless! Fr. Bob**

Please pray for those who are ill: Madge Boylan; Marion Crowley; John Duggan; Julie Duggan; Barry Finch; Fr Frank Fletcher MSC; James Ford; Virginia Hayward; Kenneth Kirkham; Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; Cecily O'Brien; Irene Peacock; Lee Piercy and Cy Schreiber.

✠ In memoriam ✠

**Leonard Kirkham** ~ 8th June; **Eric Noble** ~ 11th June; **Ivan Naraj** ~ 11th June



### AFTERNOON CAPERS Tuesday 7th June

from 12pm to 2pm. Diane will give a talk on her recent holiday in Vietnam as well as our usual activities. Hope to see you there. If you need a lift or want to know more, phone Diane on 4787 1357.

### Parish Dinner ~ Friday, 1st July at St Mount's Trattoria, Blackheath

There is a list on the notice board for those who are planning to attend. Please note your name and table preference. Parish Dinner tickets will be on sale today (\$40 per head); menu is on the board. See Patricia or Marilyn with your pancake.

Thanks to Norma and all the parishioners who kindly made donations and/or purchased articles on behalf of AWASA orphanage. \$337.00 was raised!

### Sacred Heart Care Group

Our Care Group is here to assist parishioners in times of need.

Please contact Carmel 4787 8706 or Michelle 4757 2638 if you think we can help.

### Living the Gospel ~ You will be my witnesses

A witness in a court of law is called to give evidence about a matter; to 'testify' to the truth of what they have seen or what they know to be true. Some people are very good at being a 'witness' to their faith by testifying to others about what they believe. Many others provide witness to their faith by simply living what they believe. Living a life based on Christian principles, including regular prayer and worship in your life, working for justice in the world and taking time to celebrate the beauty of everyday life is a powerful witness to others. -from Liturgyhelp online

**Happy Birthday**  
**Joyce Malkin** for 8th June  
**Happy 21st Birthday**  
**Amelia Nolan** for 9th June

**Happy 23rd Anniversary**  
**Jan & Gerard Nolan**  
for 11th June



An update of the **Church Care Roster** for the next six months will be drawn up very soon. If there are changes to be made, please ring me on 6352 1706. Thank you for your help during the year. **Mary Kingston**

### GOD'S SPIRIT IS IN MY HEART

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God's spirit is in my heart.  
He has called me and set me apart.  
This is what I have to do,  
what I have to do.

**He sent me to give  
the Good News to the poor  
tell prisoners that they are  
prisoners no more,  
tell blind people that they can see  
and set the downtrodden free,  
and go tell everyone the news  
that the Kingdom of God has come,  
and go tell everyone the news  
that God's Kingdom has come.**

Just as the Father sent me,  
so I'm sending you out to be  
my witnesses throughout the world,  
the whole of the world.