

TODAY

Acts 3:13-15,17-19 God raised him  
1 John 2:1-5 Christ our advocate  
Luke 24:35-48 You are witnesses

**Psalm Response**

Lord, let your face shine on us.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Servers**

22 Apr Bill Grieves  
29 Apr Michelle Davis

**Readers**

22 Apr 1st Reading David Buckley  
Ps/Intercessions Frances Huckstepp  
2nd Reading Christa Buckley  
29 Apr 1st Reading Ian Maguire  
Ps/Intercessions Marilyn Rowe  
2nd Reading Claire Maguire

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

22 Apr Anthony Gilchrist and Ray Wood  
29 Apr Margaret Davis and Diane Stewart

**Children's Liturgy**

22 Apr No Children's Liturgy during the holidays.  
29 Apr TBA

**Counters**

22 Apr Laurie  
29 Apr Carla and Neil

**Morning Tea**

22 Apr Frances Huckstepp  
29 Apr Monica Bright

**Church Care**

27 Apr Gatt Family  
4 May Noeleen Cliff and Mary Kingston



**Third Sunday of Easter  
Year B**

22nd April 2012

When Jesus appears in the midst of his disciples they cannot believe the evidence of their own eyes. Jesus convinces them by showing the wounds of his crucifixion and inviting the disciples to touch him. He opened their minds to understand what was written about him in the Scriptures. Jesus stands in our midst today; he opens the Scriptures to us and feeds us with his Bread.

Next Week: **The good shepherd** Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 117; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

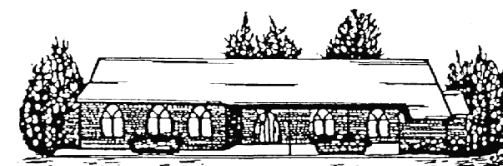
*'There is nothing in the world that resembles God as much as silence.'*  
Meister Eckhart

**Feast Days for this week: Sunday 22nd – Saturday 28th April 2012**

Sun 22nd St Caius, Pope (d296); St Opportuna, Virgin & Abbess (d770)  
Mon 23rd St George, Martyr (d 4th Century) - Patron of England  
Tue 24th St Fidelis, Priest & Martyr (1578-1622), optional Feast  
Wed 25th ANZAC Day  
Thu 26th St Marcellinus, Pope, Martyr (d304)  
St Mark, Evangelist, Martyr - Feast Day  
Fri 27th St Zita, Virgin (1218-1278)  
Sat 28th St Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr (1803-1841), Memorial



# 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**

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**Parish Office hours:**

**Wednesday:** 9.30am - 1.30pm

**Thursday:** 10.00am - 1.00pm

All enquiries regarding Baptisms,  
Marriages and sick calls - 4787 8811.

**Parish Address:** 18 Inconstant Street, Blackheath. NSW 2785

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

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Sacred-Heart-Parish-Blackheath/153850768029631>

<b>Blackheath</b> - Mass	Sunday	9.30am
Evening Mass	Tuesday	6.30pm
Morning Mass	Wednesday, Friday and 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
Healing Mass	1st Saturday of the month	9.00am
<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 4th Sunday of each month (after 9.30am mass).  
If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to Fr Bob or Frances  
Huckstepp (Chair), Diana Landsberg (Deputy Chair) or Colette Lillis (Secretary).

**Sacred Heart Care Group:** Carmel Vanny 4787 8706 or 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)

### SPECIAL CONDOLENCES

Fr Paul Hanna, while driving home from last Wednesday's funeral for Matthew Walker, received a phone call advising him that his younger brother, Michael, had just died. Michael was a well known and much liked businessman in Eastwood for over 40 years. We extend our deepest sympathy from all at Blackheath to Michael's family, Fr Paul and to the entire Hanna family on their sad loss. Michael's funeral was held last Tuesday, 17th April, at St Kevin's Catholic Church Eastwood attended by a capacity 800 mourners. On Wednesday last, our daily mass was dedicated to Michael's memory.

### ANZAC DAY

Because of my commitment from 9am at Mt Victoria War Memorial on Anzac Day (this Wednesday), I have had to bring forward our scheduled Mass for that day to 7.30am at Blackheath. This Mass will be dedicated to the memory of all who have fought in all wars involving Australians. Commencing at 10.45am at the rear of the Blackheath War Memorial in the Memorial Gardens, wreaths will be laid to commemorate our fallen service men and women including one from Sacred Heart Parish. Also, associated with these Anzac Day activities will be a Dawn Service commencing at 6.30am at Blackheath War Memorial and a march commencing at 10.25am from the Sub-Branch hall on the south side of the railway. There will be no return march to the hall, however, the Sub-Branch will be serving breakfast at that venue from 7.00am at a cost of \$12 per person. Two-up will commence at 1.00pm.

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Held last Sunday at St Bonaventure's Leura, over 50 people participated in these Divine Mercy liturgies including 5pm Mass led by Fr Ted Tyler. All who attended acclaimed this annual celebration, to be one of the best ever as attested by those of our parishioners who attended. Congratulations to everyone involved, including Barbara and Bill Grieves who helped to organise this regional event.

### ANOTHER BAPTISM

On Saturday, 14th April, at St Paul's Mt Victoria, Nicole, a three month old tiny tot daughter of Michael and Zsuzsanna Lemonjian, was baptised in the presence of her visiting grandparents from overseas. Congratulations to Nicole and her proud family.

### YEAR OF GRACE

The Church in Australia will be celebrating a Year of Grace from Pentecost 2012 to Pentecost 2013. Our theme will be "Starting afresh from Christ", taken from John Paul's Novo Millennio Ineunte. We will, in the year ahead, seek "to contemplate the face of Jesus and to listen to his voice at a new depth, in the belief that only he can lead us into the future, that only he can make us one in faith, in hope, in love. Through this year, we will implore a new sending of the Holy Spirit, who alone can breathe new life into the Church." More will be heard about this Year of Grace in coming weeks.

**Easter Blessings! Fr Bob**

### Gospel Focus - Peace be with you

When Jesus appears in the midst of the disciples, his first words to them are, 'Peace be with you!'

His appearance among them obviously agitated the disciples who were already hiding, in fear of their lives and devastated by the loss of their leader days earlier. Jesus' calming and reassuring words, 'Peace be with you!' recognise the reality of what state the disciples are in. The words demonstrate that Jesus is meeting the disciples 'where they are' - he recognises their distress and fear and responds with words that accept what they're feeling but reassure them of his love and care. They are words that Jesus speaks to us, too! -from Liturgyhelp online

### Reflection for Young People

*The two disciples did not recognize Jesus. But as they walked and talked with him, and listened to him explain the events of the Crucifixion in light of the Scriptures, their hearts began to burn within them.*

*Has your heart ever burned within you as you recalled something you said or did? What happened?*

*This story has four parts: they meet; they share stories and listen; they break bread; and they part, knowing they will see one another again.*

*Does this sound like what you often do with your friends? How is it similar? Do these four movements sound like the Mass? Where is the similarity?*

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### O Breathe on me, Breath of God

Traditional  
(Composer Edwin Hatch 1835-89)

O Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what Thou dost love,  
and do what Thou wouldst do.

O Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with Thee I have one will,  
to do and to endure.

O Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly Thine,  
Until all this earthly part of me  
glows with Thy fire divine.

O Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with Thee the perfect life  
of Thine eternity.

**Happy 60th Anniversary  
Pat & Barry Leeder for 23rd April**

**Parish Working Bee**  
Friday 27 April 4.00pm-5.30pm and  
Saturday 28 April 7.30am-9.30am.

**Happy Birthday  
Suz Graczy for 26th April**

Join our online community for  
Sacred Heart Parish  
Blackheath.



*Please pray for those who are ill: John Duggan; Neal Evans; James Ford; Fr Frank Fletcher MSC; Arthur Fowler; Virginia Hayward; Kenneth Kirkham; Loretta Laird; Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; Lorraine McKelvie; Irene Peacock; Kellie and Lee Piercy; Jean Pye and Cy Schreiber.*



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