

**TODAY**

Jeremiah 31:31-34 **New covenant foreshadowed**  
Hebrews 5:7-9 **Son learnt obedience**  
John 12:20-30 **The hour has come**

**Psalm Response**

Create a clean heart in me, O my God.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,  
Word of the Father, calling us to life;  
Son of God who leads us to freedom:  
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Servers**

25 Mar Jan Roberts  
1 Apr Ray Wood

**Readers**

25 Mar 1st Reading Ron Davis  
Intercessions Marilyn Rowe  
2nd Reading Carla Edean  
1 Apr 1st Reading Pat Wicks  
Intercessions Patricia Dee  
2nd Reading Frances Huckstepp

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

25 Mar Michelle Davis and Bill Grieves  
1 Apr Anthony Gilchrist and Diana Landsberg

**Children's Liturgy**

25 Mar TBA  
1 Apr TBA

**Counters**

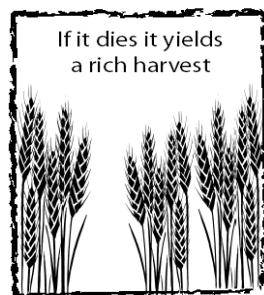
25 Mar Julie and Lance  
1 Apr Robyn and Adrian

**Morning Tea**

25 Mar Christine Burke  
1 Apr Mary Batty

**Church Care**

30 Mar Judy Harris and Vicky  
6 Apr Sue Gracey and Barbara Grieves



**5th Sunday of Lent**  
**Year B**  
25th March 2012

Some Greeks desire to see Jesus. He had spent three years preaching to his own people and working miracles, but had gathered only a small band of disciples. He was rejected by the Jewish religious authorities who would hand him over to be crucified. Jesus knows that the 'hour' has now come, when he will be glorified and extend his mission to all peoples. The Greeks will indeed see him.

Next Week: Son of God  
Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 21  
Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

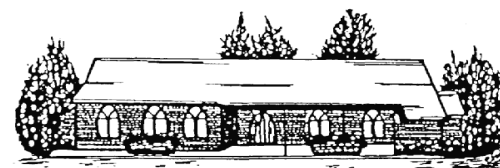
*Please pray for John Duggan; Neal Evans; James Ford;  
Fr Frank Fletcher MSC; Arthur Fowler; Virginia Hayward; Kenneth Kirkham;  
Loretta Laird; Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; Lorraine McKelvie; Irene Peacock;  
Lee Piercy and his mother, Kellie; Jean Pye and Cy Schreiber.*

**Feast Days for this week: 25th - 31st March 2012**

Sun 25th Annunciation of the Lord, Solemnity; St Dismas, Crucified Good Thief (d33)  
Mon 26th Bl Francesco Face Di Bruno, Priest (1825-1888)  
Tue 27th St Rupert of Salzburg, Bishop (d718)  
Wed 28th St Tutilo, Monk (d915)  
Thu 29th St Joseph of Arimathea, 1st Century  
Fri 30th St John Climacus, Abbot (579-649)  
Sat 31st St Amos, Prophet OT (c750BC)



# 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 Mobile:** 0428 878 810 (Emergency only)

**Parish Office:** 4787 8540 **Fax:** 4787 6143

**e-mail:** shbheath2@bigpond.com

**Parish Office hours:**

**Wednesday:** 12.00pm - 4.00pm

**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 - Mass</b>	Sunday	9.30am
Evening Mass	Tuesday	6.30pm
Morning Mass	Wednesday, Friday and Saturday	9.00am
	Thursday	8.00am
Benediction	22nd 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 - 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 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)

### PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

Sunday next, the Sixth Sunday of Lent is Passion (Palm) Sunday, at which palms will be distributed to each attending parishioner. This will follow an entry procession and blessing of palms at the beginning of Mass. Proclamation of Our Lord's Passion will also be part of this Mass. Those attending weekday Masses will note that from Tuesday, 27th March, we begin the lead-in to Our Lord's Passion via the introduction of the Preface of The Passion of Our Lord. Holy Week will commence with Passion Sunday and will continue through the last days of Lent and the Easter Triduum. In passing, we thank Norma Carlon for arranging our supply of palms for this year.

### RECONCILIATION - SECOND RITE

Arrangements have been finalised for interested parishioners to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation via the **Second Rite on Wednesday, 28th March**, commencing at 7pm. We are reminded that the decision taken at the 4th Lateran Council in the Year 1215, that every Catholic should receive this Sacrament at least once a year, between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday. As this will be the only opportunity for you to receive the Second Rite of Reconciliation during this Lenten/Paschal season, it could be a good time for you to fulfil this obligation. Fr Paul Hanna and myself will be present.

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

As from 2am next Sunday (Palm Sunday), Daylight Savings will end and we will return to Eastern Standard Time, that is, put your clock back one hour which will make our Sunday Mass time an hour later than it has been throughout Summer.

### RED CROSS

As we prepare for Easter, one of the many needs which our community has is blood! Red Cross tells us that only 1 in 30 Australians donate to the welfare of fellow Australians in this particular way, although 1 in 3 people will need blood at some time during their life. Australia needs over 27,000 donations of blood every week. Should you be able to assist, please contact Nepean Blood Donor Centre on 4722 7600.

### PARISH HOUSE PHONE

Please note that the Parish House landline phone number - 4787 8811 - has been repaired and is now fully operational.

### CATALYST FOR RENEWAL

Bishop Anthony Fisher was again this year's first guest speaker at our Catalyst for Renewal. His address was most informative and interesting for the many who attended. His subject of "St Catherine of Siena" gave us all an added insight into this wonderful saint. Many thanks to Carmel Vanny and her support team for their great organisation of this regular event.

### VALE IRIS AUSTIN

Last Thursday, Ken Austin along with his family, relatives and friends, bade farewell to his wife of 58 years - Iris. The service was conducted at the Leura Memorial Gardens Chapel to a capacity congregation. Our condolences are extended particularly to Ken and his children on this devastating loss of wife and mother. Take care, Ken!  
**God bless! Fr Bob**



### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

In this week's story, we meet Judy, whose shanty town in Peru bears little resemblance to God's vision of a just world, with high tuberculosis and malnutrition rates, no running water, no sewage and next to no employment. Since 2004, your donations have supported a Maternal and Infant Health Program here, including a childcare centre providing activities, meals and preventative health services for families. Today, Judy imagines a brighter future. Please donate to Project Compassion to allow Caritas Australia to continue such development work reflective of the life of Jesus Christ, and shaped by the tradition of Catholic Social Teaching principles, in over 35 countries.



As part of our Lenten journey towards Easter, **Fr Paul Hanna will lead a walk of reflection to Hanging Rock on Saturday, 31 March.** Hanging Rock is on the cover of Noel Davis' book: *Together at the Edge: Trust Me*. The walk will be approx 7kms return. It is an easy walk for people of average fitness. People to **meet at Blackheath Church at 1pm** and can pool cars. Bring refreshments to share.

During **Seniors' Week**, we acknowledge the seniors in the Parish. Their life achievement and contribution makes us truly rich. Blue Mountains City Council this year has awarded **Seniors' Recognition Awards to Fr Paul Hanna and to the Blackheath Sacred Heart Conference of St Vincent de Paul.** We congratulate Fr Paul and the members of SVDP both past and present. The recognition awards were presented by the Mayor, Daniel Myles, on 20 March.

An invitation is extended to all parishioners to take part in the Easter Liturgies. Please add your name to the lists on the notice board. See Fr Bob or a member of the PPC if you have any questions.  
*Frances Huckstepp*

### Easter Sunrise Celebration

The annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held at Leuralla Amphitheatre, Olympic Parade, Leura at 6am, Easter Sunday morning, 8 April. BYO cushion or blanket. If wet, the celebration will be held at the Leura Uniting Church. Enquiries: Louise 4782 2931 / Good Samaritan Sister 4757 2290.

### Benedictine Spirituality Gatherings

As first Friday in April falls on Good Friday, there will be no gathering this month. The next gathering will be 4 May. Enquiries: Srs Therese and Jacinta.

Join our online community for Sacred Heart Parish Blackheath



The President and Members of Blackheath CWA invite you to attend a **Fashion Parade of Autumn/Winter Fashions by Prime Style Fashions Monday, 2 April at 10.30am Blackheath Uniting Church Hall Govetts Leap Road**  
**Cost \$8.00 includes light lunch**  
**RSVP by 28 March** to Pat Sherlock 4787 5380

*10% of sales on the day will be donated to Blackheath CWA for onward allocation to worthy causes.*