

FOOD

2 Kings 4:42-44 *People fed with bread*
Ephesians 4:1-6 *Be united*
John 6:1-15 *Jesus feeds the crowd*

Psalm Response:

The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Servers

29 Jul Jan Roberts
5 Aug Ray Wood

Readers

29 Jul	1st Reading	Barbara Grieves
	Intercessions	Carla Endean
	2nd Reading	Pat Wicks
5 Aug	1st Reading	Ron Davis
	Intercessions	Carla Endean
	2nd Reading	Frances Huckstepp

Ministers of the Eucharist

29 Jul Anthony Gilchrist and Diana Landsberg
5 Aug Brian and Monica Bright

Children's Liturgy

29 Jul TBA
5 Aug TBA

Counters

29 Jul Barbara and Bill
5 Aug Marilyn

Morning Tea

29 Jul Monica Bright
5 Aug TBA

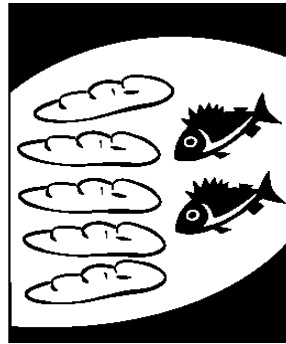
Church Care

3 Aug Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons
10 Aug Carla Endean and Gail Shepherd

Next Week: **Bread of life** 1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 33 Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51

Feast Days for the Week: Sunday 29th July to Saturday 4th August

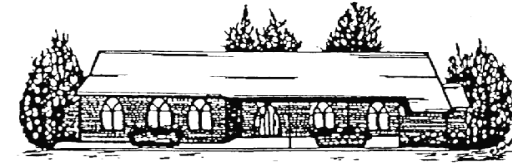
29th July St Martha, Virgin – Memorial
 30th St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor (406-450), Optional
 31st St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest – Founder Jesuits (1491-1556), Memorial
 1st Aug St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor (1696-1787) – Founder
 Redemptionists, Memorial; The Holy Maccabees - Martyrs
 2nd St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop (d370); St Stephen I, Pope (254-257)
 3rd St Nicodemus Pharisee, Martyr; St Lydia (Acts 16:11-15)
 4th St John Vianney, Cure of Ars, Priest & Patron of Priests, Memorial



**Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year B
29th July 2012**

John tells us that this miracle took place shortly before the Jewish Feast of Passover. He draws a parallel between Jesus, the Prophet of the New Covenant, and Moses, the Prophet of the Old: Moses fed the Israelites in the desert with manna; Jesus feeds them with bread. This foreshadows the bread that Jesus will bless and distribute at the Passover – the Eucharist, his own Body.

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: 4787 8540 **Fax:** 4787 6143

e-mail: shbheath2@bigpond.com

Parish Office hours:

Wednesday: 9.30am - 1.30pm

Thursday: 9.30am - 12.30pm

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>

Blackheath - 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	Saturdays	9.30am
Healing Mass	1st Saturday of the month	9.00am
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 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

CONSULTATIVE MEETING – YEAR OF GRACE

Following discussions with Fr Ted Tyler from Katoomba, he and I have agreed to conduct the Upper Blue Mountains Consultative Meeting of Parishioners at Blackheath in our parish hall. A tentative date has been set by the Diocese for Saturday, 15th September, however, at the time of penning this report, the recommended times conflict with the Catalyst for Renewal morning. Hopefully, we will still be able to conduct this meeting, perhaps, later that same day. Will confirm once a final decision is taken.

CUSHIONS

Last week, a parishioner mentioned the need for small cushions to be used on a casual basis within our Blackheath church during our masses. I'm told the cushions are needed for use as kneelers and for sitting upon. Could be a good idea to involve those of our ladies (or men) in the parish to produce these cushions, which may be stored in a bin within the church. We can then draw from the stockpile as, and when, needed. Material costs would be borne by the parish. The labour and skills required to produce them would need to be donated by our very talented parishioners! If interested, please contact me. Thanks!

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Altar Spotlighting – We've just purchased two sets of strip spotlights to be installed above the altar to enhance the appearance of and make easier the activities which are undertaken on and around the altar, lectern and chair. Installation should be a relatively simple affair so I anticipate having these spotlights in use by next weekend.

Hall repaint – arrangements have now been completed for the interior of our church hall to be repainted, weather permitting, this week.

'LIGHT OVER THE MOUNTAINS'

An interfaith group has produced the second edition of this publication 'Light over the Mountains'. The group is led by Fr Eugene Stockton with support from Pamela Croci, Angela Moore and Jim Tulip. This is to be a regular publication in which we are invited to share. Those wishing to subscribe to the online edition of LOTM can visit their website. <http://bluemountainheart.net/interfaith>

BLESSED SACRAMENT REFLECTION

Every act of reverence, every genuflection that you make before the Blessed Sacrament is important because it is an act of faith in Christ, an act of love for Christ. Every sign of the cross and gesture of respect made each time you pass a church is also an act of faith. **God Bless! Fr Bob**

August Benedictine Spirituality

On **Friday, 3rd August**, 10am till noon at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Rd, Wentworth Falls, the monthly first Friday gatherings on Benedictine Spirituality continue. Discussion and input on *"The Monastery of the Heart"* Chapter 5 on *"Silence"*. Recitation of the Prayer of the Church, lectio divina, silent prayer and morning tea are included. All welcome.

Enquiries: Srs Therese and Jacinta at 4757 2290.



A heartfelt THANK YOU to the parishioners who were SO GENEROUS in donating wool and knitting needles to my hospital craft group. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Blessings, Michelle Davis.



Recently Deceased

Please remember in your prayers,
~ **María Farsaci** ~
(Frances Huckstepp's mother) and
~ **Jean Pye** ~
(Carmel Vanny's mother).
Maria died last Sunday and
Jean died on Tuesday.
May our God of compassion
bring consolation and peace to
Frances, Carmel and their families
and may Maria and Jean enjoy the
vision of God's glory forever.

On the Sick List

Marion Crowley, Leslie Dee;
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;
Cy Schreiber and Shane Watson.



Happy 33rd Anniversary
Julie & Lance Hodgkinson for 4th August



Ingeborg Caplice for 31st July
John Forster for 1st August
Josie Drummond ~ 18 on 3rd August
Kevin Madden for 3rd August

We invite you to join our
online community at
Sacred Heart Parish, Blackheath.



Great is Thy Faithfulness

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm
Music: William M. Runyan

Great is Thy faithfulness,
O God my Father;
there is no shadow
of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions, they fail not;
as Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
new mercies I see;
all I have needed
Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness,
Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter
and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars
in their courses above
join with all nature
in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness,
mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a
peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
to cheer and to guide;
strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine,
with ten thousand beside!

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† In memoriam †

Chris Commens ~ 2nd August
Lawrie Smith ~ 2nd August
Cath Pilkington ~ 4th August
Larry Smith ~ 4th August