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*Ez 2:2-5
Ezekiel is sent to the Israelites.
2 Cor 12:7-10
God chose us in Christ.
Mk 6:1-6*



No prophet gains honour in his native place.

Psalm Response

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Servers

8 Jul Bill Grieves
15 Jul Diane Stewart

Readers

8 Jul 1st Reading Ian Maguire
Intercessions Ron Davis
2nd Reading Claire Maguire
15 Jul 1st Reading Ron Davis
Intercessions Patricia Dee
2nd Reading Carla Endean

Ministers of the Eucharist

8 Jul Diana Landsberg and Ray Wood
15 Jul Michelle Davis and Diane Stewart

Children's Liturgy

8 Jul No Children's Liturgy during holidays
15 Jul No Children's Liturgy during holidays

Counters

8 Jul Judith and Frank
15 Jul Robyn and Adrian

Morning Tea

8 Jul Dulcie Davis
15 Jul Carmel Vanny/Barbara Smith

Church Care

13 Jul Noeleen Cliff and Mary Kingston
20 Jul Julie Hodgkinson

Feast Days for the Week: Sunday 8th to Saturday 14th July

Sun 8th St Grinibald, Abbot (d903)
Mon 9th St Veronica Guiliani, Virgin (1660-1727)
Tue 10th St Ulric, Bishop (890-973); Sts Secunda & Rufina,
Virgins & Martyrs (d260)
Wed 11th St Benedict, Abbot (c480-547), Memorial
Thu 12th Sts Nabor & Felix, Martyrs (d303)
Fri 13th St Henry II, Emperor (973-1024), optional feast
St Charles Makhlouf, Monk (1828-1898)
Sat 14th St Camilleos, Priest (1550-1614)



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

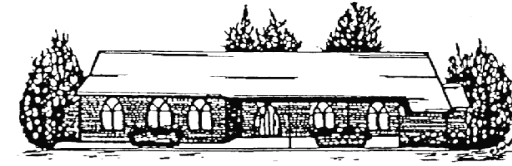
8th July 2012

Today's gospel reminds us that we can fail to see the value of those with whom we are very familiar. Although we proclaim that we seek the face of Christ in the face of those we meet it may not at times occur to us to look on our family and close friends in the same way. It may seem unlikely that God might come to us in the guise of a family member. Perhaps next time we are irritated by a brother or sister or the overly protective actions of a parent we should remind ourselves that we are looking into the face of God.

Next Week:
The Twelve sent
Amos 7:12-15
Ps 84
Ephesians
1:3-14;
Mark 6:7-13



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 Mobile: 0428 878 810 (Emergency only)

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

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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

HOMEFRONT LATEST

When you look around you this morning, you will see that our wax candles have been replaced with candles that have replaceable canisters. This includes our Paschal Candle, both altar candles and two spare candles for use in our satellite churches in Megalong Valley and Mt Victoria. At long last we are doing away with all those wax stains which so damage our altar linen. Hope you like them!

The second item of interest concerns the Year of Grace homilies covering the next ten weeks commencing today (8th July) and concluding on Sunday, 23rd September. The framework for these homilies has been provided by the Parramatta Diocese and initially will relate back to the original Vatican II documents. The whole purpose of this program is to unify the introduction of, and support for, our Year of Grace knowledge and commitment. This Year of Grace is being taken very seriously by our Bishop who invites us to be similarly inclined.

A termite inspection has recently been carried out on our Blackheath and Mt Victoria churches, on the office/hall complex and on our presbytery. All buildings have been given the all clear, however, an infestation of termites was found in a nearby dead tree adjoining St Paul's Mt Victoria church. This infestation has been eliminated.

DIOCESAN DATES TO REMEMBER

Advance notice has been given us in relation to a number of activities to be held within our Diocese, and I mention them here so that, if interested, you may plan ahead so that you can attend these events:

- **15th July is Sea Sunday (Stella Maris)** - a fund raiser for seafarers (see notice board for details). Donations can be forwarded direct to "Apostleship of the Sea", National Office, Reply Paid 90, Wynnum, Qld 4178.
- **25th July ~ Formation of Clergy Gathering** - This only affects me, however, I've included this conference to confirm with you the increasing number of visits that I am making to 'head office' and which involves me being absent from this parish.
- **24th August ~ Daffodil Day Fundraiser for Cancer Research** - Should you wish to make a contribution, you can do so through the many volunteers out and about selling daffodils in Blackheath.
- **7th September ~ The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)** celebrates 25 years at its annual SRE Mass and presentation at St Patrick's Parish Church, Allawah Street, Blacktown, at 10am.
- **14th September ~ St Michael's Primary School, South Blacktown Golden Jubilee Anniversary.** All welcome. More details available in August.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2013 (RIO)

Dates for this universal youth event have been finalised for 23rd-28th July, 2013. Associated with this program is to be a 'Breakfast with the Bishop' on Saturday, 14th July, at Parramatta Cathedral Hall, commencing at 9am. To RSVP or for any enquiries, please contact CYP on youth@parra.catholic.org.au or 8838 3418.

ANOTHER PRIEST

A cathedral full of people witnessed the ordination to the priesthood of Fr Larry Tolentino on Friday, 29th June. Please keep him in your prayers as he makes that final step into a clerical life. Fr Larry will be serving the people of Greystanes.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

This collection will be taken up today as we leave the church following mass. There will be Vinnie's people located at each of the three doors of the church. Please give generously as the need for support both financial and personal has never been greater in our district.

God bless! Fr. Bob

Happy Birthday Robyn Carroll
for 10th July

Hearing God's Call

For Catholics, the celebration of the Mass is the centre of their life of faith. Mass is also called Eucharist, a Greek word which means 'to give thanks'. The Eucharist is the heart and soul of the Catholic Church. Without the Eucharist there would not be a Catholic Church.

From Hearing God's Call Session 24,
Catholic Enquiry Centre
<http://www.catholicenquiry.com>

† In memoriam †

Cecily O'Brien ~ 9th July
Joe Byrne ~ 10th July
Margaret Hudson ~ 11th July

Quote: 'The best cure for loneliness is developing an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ.'
Author unknown



Please pray for those who are ill: Marion Crowley, Leslie Dee; 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; Cy Schreiber and Shane Watson.

Reflection Morning

The next Catalyst Reflection Morning will be held in the parish hall on **Saturday 21st July, 10am to 1pm.** All welcome and morning tea provided.

Sr Libbey Byrne rsc

will lead the Reflection:

'Everyday God: Where Are You?'

Sr Libbey has a background in secondary education, parish ministry, adult faith formation and leadership in her own Congregation, the Sisters of Charity. Come and enjoy the talks and quiet time for prayer. Enquiries: Carmel 4787 8706.

Prayer: Our Core Reality

'We do not find our own centre; it finds us. Our own mind will not be able to figure it out. We collapse back into the Truth when we are naked and free - which is probably not very often. We do not think ourselves into new ways of living. We live ourselves into new ways of thinking. The journeys around and through our realities ('circumferences') lead us to the core reality, where we meet both our truest self and our truest God.'

Richard Rohr, 'Everything Belongs:
The Gift of Contemplative Prayer'