

TODAY

Malachi 3:19-20 The day is coming
2Thessalonians 3:7-12 Do not be idle
Luke 21:5-19 Endurance will triumph

Psalm Response

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

ROSTERS

Servers

17 Nov Michelle Davis
24 Nov Jan Roberts

Readers

17 Nov 1st Reading Frances Huckstepp
Intercessions David Buckley
2nd Reading Claire Maguire
24 Nov 1st Reading Lillis Family
Intercessions Anthony Gilchrist
2nd Reading Lillis Family

Ministers of the Eucharist

17 Nov Bill Grieves and Margaret Davis
24 Nov Diana Landsberg and Elizabeth Doolan

Counters

17 Nov Laurie
24 Nov Carla and Neil

Morning Tea

17 Nov Monica Van Horen
24 Nov Pamela Scott / Elizabeth

Church Care

22 Nov Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam
29 Nov Noeleen Cliff and Mary Kingston



**Thirty-Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year C**

17th November 2013

People have always looked for signs of the end of the world. Jesus tells us not to be deceived.

Terrible things will continue to happen, but we live in God's world and he does not abandon us.

The trials of life present us with opportunities to witness to God's faithfulness and healing love. Faithful endurance on our part will win us life with God forever.



Next Week:

**Kingdom
promised**

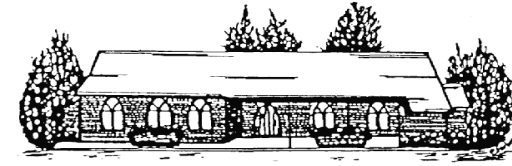
2Samuel 5:1-3
Psalm 121
Colossians
1:12-20;
Luke 23:35-43

*Please remember in your prayers: Leslie Dee; Neal Evans; Pauline Fallance;
Fr Frank Fletcher MSC; James Ford; Virginia Hayward; Judy Harris;
Kenneth Kirkham; Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; John and Jenny Mackrell;
Lorraine McKelvie and Irene Peacock.*

Feast Days of the Week: Sunday 17th to Saturday 23rd November

Sun 17th St Elizabeth of Hungary, Queen (1207-1231), Memorial
Mon 18th Dedication of Basilicas of Sts Peter (1620) and Paul (1854), Apostles, optional
Tue 19th St Obadiah, OT, Prophet (c800BC)
Wed 20th St Bernward, Bishop (d1022)
Thu 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Fri 22nd St Cecilia
Sat 23rd St Columban, St Clement I

SACRED HEART PARISH



Sacred Heart Church ~ Blackheath
Saint Paul's Church ~ Mount Victoria
Saint Joseph's Church ~ Megalong Valley

We respectfully acknowledge the Darug and Gundungurra people, the traditional custodians of the Blue Mountains' 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 **Office hours: Wed:** 1.30pm - 4.30pm
Parish House: 4787 8811 **Thu:** 9.00am - 12.00pm
Parish Mobile: 0428 878810 (Emergency only) **Fri:** 3.00pm - 4.00pm
Parish Office: 4787 8540 **Fax:** 4787 6143 All enquiries regarding Baptisms,
e-mail: shbheath2@bigpond.com 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

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Following today's 9.30am Mass, at 11.00am in the Parish Hall, parishioners and visitors interested in our Sacred Heart Parish, will have a once-a-year opportunity to be briefed on the past year's activities, and be given a few thoughts on possible projects tentatively planned for the year ahead. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will see the retirement of four Councillors and their replacement by the nominated new Councillors. Both retiring and new Councillors will be formally appointed and introduced to all parishioners during the AGM. They will join the four Councillors who are not retiring this year. Morning tea will be provided including a sausage sizzle! You are most welcome to share and enjoy this unique experience and friendship with those of our parish family present at the AGM.

APPEALS, CONTRIBUTIONS, DONATIONS

DWF: Last week's collection raised \$640 for the Diocesan Works Fund, for which we sincerely thank everyone who contributed so generously to the works of the Parramatta Diocese, including those benefits accruable to us in this Parish. A second round of collections is to be made today to enable those who missed last week to contribute now to the DWF. We thank you in advance for that contribution.

BUSHFIRE APPEAL: The amount raised by our Parishioners to assist those of our Blue Mountains' family who have suffered so much during the recent bushfires is \$522. Again, huge thanks to all who donated to this urgent cause!

ON THE PHILIPPINES: Typhoon Haiyan last week decimated the country and people of the Philippines. Many thousands have lost their lives, thousands have lost their homes and millions of people have been maimed and/or lost all their possessions. All are in need of substantial emergency aid, hence the just-established **Caritas Australia Typhoon Haiyan Appeal**. **Donations may be made by phoning 1800 024 413, or online at www.caritas.org.au or send your donation to GPO Box 9830 Sydney.**

Bishop Anthony will celebrate a Memorial Mass for the Victims of Typhoon Haiyan tomorrow evening, Monday 18th November, at 7.30pm in Parramatta's St Patrick's Cathedral.

KEVIN LEE, a former controversial priest of the Diocese of Parramatta, is one of those who was a fatal victim of that same Typhoon Haiyan. I both quote and completely support Bishop Anthony's Statement when he says ... *"I extend my deepest sympathy to his widow, Josefina, and her children during this time of personal tragedy for them and devastation for the people of the Philippines in the aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan. I also extend my condolences to Kevin's parents and family here in their deep sorrow."*

Last year, Kevin left his ministry as a Catholic priest in very public circumstances and was recently 'laicised' at his request. He had made a new life with Josefina and they recently celebrated the birth of a daughter. Difficult as was the mode of his departure, we honour the work Kevin did as the founding Parish Priest of Padre Pio Parish, Glenmore Park, and his ministry as a chaplain with NSW Police."

Bishop Anthony is to celebrate a Memorial Mass for Kevin Lee at St Thomas Aquinas' Church, 168 Hawkesbury Road, Springwood at 11.00am Monday, 18th November 2013.

Here at Sacred Heart, Blackheath we have already celebrated a Mass for Kevin Lee last Tuesday, 12th November at the 6.30pm Mass.

PRAYER CARDS: Compliments of Bishop Anthony, on the pews in front of you are Prayer Cards containing the words of Consecration of the World to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on 13th October last by our beloved Pope Francis, and for the Consecration of the Diocese of Parramatta on 20 October. Please feel free to take one of these Prayer Cards in commemoration of that long overdue commitment of the World to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

God bless! Father Bob

During November our **Parish Book of Remembrance** will be available and you are invited to add the names of all you wish to be specially remembered in prayer.



**Happy 48th Wedding Anniversary
Margaret and Bob Davis**

~ 13th November ~

**Happy 32nd Wedding Anniversary
Tony and Marie Crawford**

~ 21st November ~

Tangara School: Yr 10 Community Service Camp: The students will now be coming to Blackheath on 21/11 & 22/11. All are covered by school's insurance and have own gardening gloves and basic gardening tools. If you live close to the church grounds and would like any gardening or odd jobs done, please contact Marilyn or Patricia at the office on 47878540. **The girls are looking forward to helping parishioners and giving a helping hand where needed.**

The next **'Just Because'** Dinner will be **Tuesday, 19th November**, at the Piedmont Inn, Blackheath, from 6pm. All welcome.

menALIVEWeekend
23-24/11 ~ Dubbo
Contact: Pat 6884 9640 or menalivedubbo@gmail.com
Website: www.menalive.org.au
When was the last time you felt really alive?
Pick up a flyer today.



A retreat afternoon with Trish Watts
Prepare for the joys of summer with time to reflect and express using movement meditation, sacred texts, poetry, art and singing with Trish's uplifting and soothing songs. **Sunday 24 Nov 2-5pm** (followed by songs & prayers of Taizé 5.30-6.30pm)
Leura Uniting Church, cnr Grose & Megalong Streets. Ph: Bruce: 4782 4359 or John: 0416 307133
A donation of \$20-\$25 to cover costs.

Handel's Messiah - The Concert
Radio Community Chest presents its 70th Year **Concert of Combined church choirs, Grand organ & orchestra at Sydney Town Hall on SATURDAY 18 December 5:00PM**
SUNDAY 19 December 2.15PM
Cost \$32.50 Adults / \$27.50 Concession
For further information and Tickets:
City Recital Hall Angel Place 8256 2222
www.cityrecitalhall.com

In memoriam: **Grace Topham** ~ 20 November; **Allan D. Longmuir** ~ 22 November