



*Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10 Wickedness unmasked
Hebrews 12:1-4 Don't let sin prevail
Luke 12:49-53 Division inevitable*

Psalm Response
O Lord, come to my aid; do not delay.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

ROSTERS

Servers

18 Aug Pat Wicks
25 Aug Michelle Davis

Readers

18 Aug	1st Reading	Barbara Grieves
	Intercessions	Michelle Davis
	2nd Reading	Ron Davis
25 Aug	1st Reading	Ian Maguire
	Intercessions	Frances Huckstepp
	2nd Reading	Claire Maguire

Ministers of the Eucharist

18 Aug Diana Landsberg and Elizabeth Doolan
25 Aug Anthony Gilchrist and Ray Wood

Counters

18 Aug Carla and Neil
25 Aug Monica

Morning Tea

18 Aug Monica Van Horen
25 Aug Pamela Scott/Elizabeth

Church Care

23 Aug Noeleen Cliff and Mary Kingston
30 Aug Julie Hodgkinson

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



Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year C

18th August 2013

Jesus is journeying to Jerusalem. He tells his disciples that he must receive another baptism - his passion and death. This prospect fills him with dread. His teaching and the scandal of the cross will divide his fellow Jews, the religious authorities, families, even his own relatives. But through it all 'let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection.'

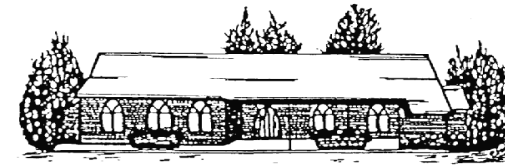
Next Week
Many in the Kingdom
Isaiah 66:18-21;
Psalm 116
Hebrews 12:5-7,
11-13;
Luke 13:22-30



Feast Days of the Week: Sunday 18th to Saturday 24th August

Sun 18th	St Jane Frances De Chantel, Religious (1572-1641) St Helena, Widow (250-330), (Mother of Emperor Constantine)
Mon 19th	St John Eudes, Priest (1601-1680), Optional
Tue 20th	St Bernard of Clairvaux, Founder, Abbot, Doctor (1090-1153), Memorial
Wed 21st	St Pius X, Pope (1835-1914), Memorial Our Lady of Knock, Irish Feast (1879)
Thu 22nd	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1955), Memorial
Fri 23rd	St Rose of Lima, Virgin (1586-1617), optional
Sat 24th	St Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast

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

THE ROMAN MISSAL – THE NEW TRANSLATION: Many regular Catholic Mass goers seem to be unaware that the Missal texts we use in our readings from the ambo (lectern) have been translated from Latin. For over 40 years, ever since the new rite of Mass was introduced after the Second Vatican Council, we have used a translation prepared by a special International Commission (ICEL). This year a new English translation of the 2002 edition of the Roman Missal will be introduced. A new Lectionary will follow, no longer derived from the Jerusalem Bible. In the next few years, all the Sacramental rites will appear in a new translation. But the first project is the missal. A reorganised ICEL has worked on the translations, under the guidance of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments through the *Vox Clara* (“A Clear Voice”) Committee, which, incidentally, is chaired by Cardinal George Pell. More on this topic as further details emerge!

TRUTH, JUSTICE AND HEALING COUNCIL: A new Catholic Church Council, *The Truth, Justice and Healing Council*, has been established by Church leaders to co-ordinate the church’s engagement with the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sex Abuse. The Church fully supports the work of the Royal Commission and encourages people who have been abused to tell their stories. The coming months, possibly years, are going to be difficult for Catholics as we hear victims’ stories and hear how the Church has responded. It is only by coming together and discussing the issues, examining the past – the good and the bad – that we can all understand what needs to happen in the future. To this end, the Council would appreciate feedback from both clergy and parishioners. Most welcome would be any thoughts, comments, suggestions or criticisms that you might care to make. Contact may be made on: www.tjhcouncil.org.au or free call 1800 099 340.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE WEEK 19-25 AUGUST 2013: As mentioned last week, this coming week we celebrate the **99th World Day of Migrants and Refugees**. During this week, we are asked to both pray for, and support, all migrants and refugees. None of us would ever want to be in their shoes as they struggle for identity and survival in what is for them a completely foreign environment. So let us use that God-given compassion to help them any way that we can!

FIRST COMMUNION: Congratulations, once more, to **Ewan Ruse** on making his first Holy Communion last Sunday in the presence of his family, relatives, friends and us, his Parish family. What an uplifting experience for all who were privileged to be present at that Mass. Thanks, also again to our Sacramental Co-ordinator, Mrs Colette Lillis, for preparing Ewan for this momentous event in his life.

POPE FRANCIS: Pope Francis is presently on his summer vacation, and has used that time to good advantage by making impromptu visits to those working in the Vatican. Just one example: Can you imagine the shock of those workers when on 9 August, Pope Francis paid a surprise visit to the area of Vatican city known as the industrial area for the small city state that involves a power plant, carpentry shop, warehouse, metal-working shop and the offices of the newspaper *L’Osservatore Romano* among other places. He arrived just after 9am, greeting everyone with a “good morning” and a smile before moving on! What a Pope! **God Bless! Fr Bob**

Parish Pastoral Council Elections

The Parish Pastoral Council will have several positions become vacant in 2014. We invite your prayerful reflection and consideration as the process of nominations and elections of the Parish Pastoral Council commences.

Over the coming weeks, forms will be available in the Church for you to nominate parishioners for the Parish Pastoral Council. Prior to nominating someone, please discuss the nomination with them and gain their consent. (The time and day for monthly Parish Pastoral Council meetings will be decided by the new Council in 2014.) If you have any questions, please speak with Fr Bob or a member of the Parish Pastoral Council.

**Happy 2nd Birthday
Millie Anne Robb for 19th August**

September’s Capers will be held at the Megalong Valley Tea Rooms for lunch, and October’s Capers will be a morning tea to be held at the Lolly Shop in Little Hartley (on the highway). Any enquiries to Norma on 4787 5906.

For your Diary
~ **Catalyst for Renewal** ~
Dates for the remainder of 2013
September 21st ~ Barbara Smith
‘God as Gift and Present’
October 19th ~ Dr Tim O’Hearn
‘Seeing Things Differently’
November 16th ~ Fr Kevin Bates sm

**Happy 46th Anniversary
Ingeborg and David Caplice
for 23rd August**

Living the Gospel

Speaking a hard message

Today’s gospel reminds us that the message of Christianity is not always a popular one. Sometimes we are called upon to speak a hard message; a challenging message; a confronting message. The message of the gospel frequently confronts our popular culture and accepted social practice. It often contradicts the expedient decisions of our political leaders. There is a responsibility on us to speak the hard message of the gospel even at the risk of unpopularity and even in the face of threat. The Christian heroes of our time are those who call leaders to measure up to the demands of the gospel.

- Liturgyhelp online

Catholic Bible Study - All Welcome!

“A Quick Journey Through The Bible” by Jeff Cavins

Thursdays 7.30pm – 8.30pm
St Patrick’s Church at Lithgow.

YOUTH BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP

All young people in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta are welcome to join us for **Breakfast with Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP on Saturday 24 August.**

Guest Speaker: The Hon Greg Donnelly MLC

Topic: Prolife talk from the perspective of a Politician
Place: St Patrick’s Cathedral Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta
Time: 9am to 11am
Ages: 16-35 years

For catering purposes, please **RSVP by Monday 19 August** to Catholic Youth Parramatta at youthevent@parra.catholic.org.au or call Madonna (M: 0407 938 196) or Annabelle (M: 0408 420 331).