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*Proverbs 31:10-13.19-20.30-31 A wise woman*  
*1Thessalonians 5:1-6 Day of the Lord*  
*Matthew 25:14-30 Day of reckoning*

**Psalm Response**  
**Happy are those who fear the Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
Live in me and let me live in you, says  
the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.  
**Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Servers**

16 Nov Jan Roberts  
23 Nov Michelle Davis

**Readers**

16 Nov 1st Reading Christine Helby  
Intercessions Ron Davis  
2nd Reading Claire Maguire  
23 Nov 1st Reading Lillis Family  
Intercessions Patricia Dee  
2nd Reading Lillis Family

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

16 Nov Margaret Davis and Diana Landsberg  
23 Nov Monica and Brian Bright

**Counters**

16 Nov Marilyn  
23 Nov Laurie

**Morning Tea**

16 Nov Pamela Scott / Elizabeth  
23 Nov Carroll Family

**Church Care**

21 Nov Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam

Please remember in your prayers: **Siobhan** Atkin; **Michael** Cooper; **Leslie** Dee;  
**Neal** Evans; **Anne** Farindon; **James** Ford; **Anthony** Gilchrist; **Fr Kevin** Hay;  
**Craig** Huckstepp; **Kenneth** Kirkham; **Jenny** Mackrell; **Lorraine** McKelvie;  
**Ron** O'Brien; **Junko** Odawa, **Frances** Slater, **Betty** Zeman and **Roma** Ziolkowski.  
*Please let us know if any name needs to be removed from this list.*

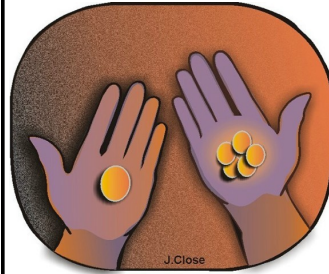
**In memoriam:** **Grace Topham** ~ 20th November; **Allan D. Longmuir** ~ 22nd November

**Feast Days of the Week: Sunday 16th to Saturday 22nd November**

16th St Margaret of Scotland, Queen (1045-1093)  
17th St Elizabeth of Hungary, Queen (1207-1231), Memorial  
18th Dedication of Basilicas of Sts Peter (1620) & Paul (1854), Apostles,  
optional  
19th St Obadiah, OT, Prophet (c800BC)  
20th St Bernward, Bishop (d1022)  
21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
22nd St Cecilia, (3rd Century) Patron Saint of musicians



Next week  
**Kingdom  
prepared**  
*Ezekiel 34:  
11-12.15-17*  
*Psalm 22*  
*1Corinthians*  
*15:20-26.28*  
*Matt 25:31-46*

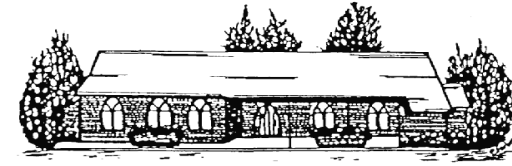


**Thirty-Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Year A**

16th November 2014

On hearing the parable  
of the 'Talents' we can  
jump to the conclusion  
that the master was  
unjust in his dealings  
with the servants.  
We have all been given  
gifts. If we use them for  
God's glory and do the  
best we can, we will fulfil  
God's desire for us.  
If we don't use our gifts  
we are not being true to  
ourselves, and we will  
feel unfulfilled.

# 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:** 1.00pm - 4.00pm  
**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>

<b>Blackheath</b> - 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
<b>Mount Victoria</b> - Vigil Mass	1st and 3rd Saturdays	6.00pm
<b>Megalong Valley</b> - 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  
Diana Landsberg (Chair); David Buckley (Deputy Chair) or Colette Lillis (Secretary).

**Sacred Heart Care Group:** 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)

**"Don't just bury your talents. Dream your best dream about your life and then live it to the full. God calls you to live in happiness." (Vocation View)**

**Holy Hour for Vocations: 20th Nov, 7pm - 8pm** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. All welcome to join the Holy Hour for Vocations on the **3rd Thursday of each month** for an hour of adoration, prayer, music and quiet time. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta, contact Fr Warren Edwards - Vocations Director: tel 0409 172 700, vocations@parra.catholic.org.au

**Website Update:** We have largely updated our Parish Website information but are still looking for more recent photos to go with this updated information. If anyone has photos of a baptism from this year, we would love to have them or if your parish group is into a new project or activity, please get a photo and pass it on to Pat Drummond for the website.

**Overseas Volunteering! Palms Australia** is a Catholic organisation that has been sending volunteers to developing countries for 50+ years. We have recently received numerous urgent requests from communities in Timor Leste, Kiribati, Kenya and India for skilled professionals, such as accountants, teachers, doctors, etc. **Want to know more?** We are holding an information session on **Sunday, 30th November**, 10.30am - 11.30am at Aquinas Academy (141 Harrington Street, The Rocks). Please RSVP before 27th November to joey@palms.org.au or call 9518 9551. Look forward to seeing you there!

**DWF Appeal in November:** The Diocesan Works Fund Appeal with the theme **'Faith at Work'** is being held in parishes and Catholic schools during November. This appeal gives us the opportunity to act together as a diocesan family to support ministries and services that no single individual or parish can offer. For example, it supports catechists who teach the faith in state schools, seminarians who are preparing for the priesthood, the All Saints of Africa Centre in Blacktown for recent refugees and migrants, and Catherine Villa supported accommodation for young mothers. Donations can be made through envelopes available from your parish or school or online at: [www.faithatwork.org.au](http://www.faithatwork.org.au)

**Christmas Hamper Raffle**

Small books of tickets are available today (\$1.00 per ticket). There is also a list of suitable items needed on the notice board.

Fund Raising Committee

**CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS**

**Sunday 23rd November Parish AGM,**  
11.00am-12.00pm  
Parish Hall after Mass

**Sunday 30th November Fashions by the Pew**  
2.30pm Parish Hall

**PARENTS' ROOM**

The Sacristy, which contains a few books and toys, is available for parents to use when your young children are restless. We hope this makes it a little easier for you and your children. Thank you for making the effort of bringing these littlies with you to Mass.

**Living the Gospel  
Bring forth the Kingdom.**

*Like the original audience of Matthew's gospel, we can sometimes rely too much on God to bring about the Kingdom in our world. Like the lazy servant in the gospel, we can fall into the trap of handing the world back to God in exactly the same condition that we received it. We have to make a difference in the world! We are called to change the world and bring it closer to the realisation of the Kingdom. The only way that we can do that it is to live our lives as if the Kingdom is already here.*  
(Liturgyhelp)

**Preparing for Christmas with the music of Taize**

Pondering like Mary, we prepare the 'manger' of our hearts for Jesus.  
Presenter: **Trish Watts**  
Cost: \$250 (discounts available) at **Mt Carmel Retreat Centre**, 247 St Andrews Rd Varroville.  
Contact: 8795 3400, [retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com)  
[www.carmeliteretreats.com.au](http://www.carmeliteretreats.com.au)

**Happy 33rd Anniversary  
Tony and Marzè Crawford  
for 21st November**

**Happy Birthday  
Brian Bright ~ 19th November**

**FASHIONS BY THE PEW:** To be held in the Parish Hall on Sunday 30th November. Commencing at 2.30pm, with Fashion Parade at 3pm. \$5 entry (includes complimentary glass of champagne and canapés on arrival)\*. Do you have something fashionable in your wardrobe to donate? We are looking for quality items of clothing, hats, jewellery, etc. Bring your friends along! Proceeds go to ALL the Sacred Heart Ministries.  
\*Extra Champagne also available by the glass \$2.50

**BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM**

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You are salt for the earth, O people.  
Salt for the Kingdom of God!  
Share the flavour of life, O people;  
Life in the Kingdom of God!

**Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,  
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace,  
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice;  
Bring forth the City of God!**

You are a light on the hill, O people;  
Light for the City of God!  
Shine so holy and bright, O people;  
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people;  
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!  
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice;  
Grow in the Kingdom of God!

We are a blest and a pilgrim people;  
Bound for the Kingdom of God!  
Love our journey and  
love our homeland;  
Love is the Kingdom of God!



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

*Envelopes are also available for special masses, and a little note is also provided to complete the name of those for whom masses will be celebrated during the month.  
A basket is at the front of the altar.*