

TODAY

Acts 8:5-8,14-17 Message welcomed
1Peter 3:15-18 Reverence Christ
John 14:15-21 With you forever

Psalm Response

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them
and we will come to them.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Servers

25 May Michelle Davis
1 June Jan Roberts

Readers

25 May 1st Reading Christine Helby
Intercessions Patricia Dee
2nd Reading Barbara Grieves
1 Jun 1st Reading Claire Maguire
Intercessions Ron Davis
2nd Reading Anthony Simpson

Ministers of the Eucharist

25 May Pat Wicks and Margaret Davis
1 Jun Michelle Davis and Ray Wood

Counters

25 May Laurie
1 Jun Carla and Neil

Morning Tea

25 May Pamela Scott / Elizabeth
1 Jun Carroll Family

Church Care

6 Jun Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam



**Sixth Sunday of Easter
Year A**

25th May 2014

Jesus wants us to love him, because only then will we do what he asks of us.

This is truly keeping his commandments. We will be given an Advocate, the Spirit of truth, who will guide us and be with us always.

Love will be the motivating force which will keep us close to Jesus. We will also share this love with others, sometimes without even knowing it.

Please remember in your prayers:

**Michael Cooper; Leslie Dee; Sue Doyle; Neal Evans; James Ford;
Karen Galiazzo; Fr Kevin Hay; Virginia Hayward; Kenneth Kirkham;
Ray Lee; Barry Leeder; Jenny Mackrell; Lorraine McKelvie;
Irene Peacock and Roma Ziolkowski.**

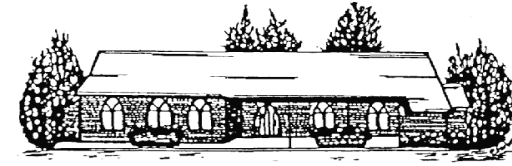
Feast Days of the Week: Sunday 25th May to Saturday 31st May

Sun 25th May St Madeline Sophie Barat, Religious (1779-1865), Foundress of Society of Sacred Heart
Mon 26th May St Philip Neri, Priest (1515-1595)
Tue 27th May St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (d604), optional feast
Wed 28th May St Germanus of Auxerre, Bishop (d576)
Thu 29th May St Maximinus of Trier, Bishop (dc349)
Fri 30th May St Joan of Arc, Virgin & Martyr (1412-1431)
Sat 31st May Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast Day)



Next Week
Parting promise
Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 46
Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20

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>

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 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

MASSES THIS WEEK: Sadly, there will be no 9am Mass Wednesday of this coming week (28/5), due to my required attendance at a one-day seminar to be held from 10am - 2pm at St Patrick's Hall, Parramatta. I apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

Additionally, as next Saturday is the fifth Saturday in the month, there will be NO Vigil Mass celebrated at either Mt Victoria or Megalong Valley to commemorate the Feast of the Ascension. This significant feast will, therefore, be exclusive to Blackheath's Sunday 9.30am Mass.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER: Here, for us to consider, is a list of some important dates that could affect us between now and the end of the year. First, I remind everyone that I will be on two weeks annual leave from 2nd - 16th June. Fr Paul Hanna will celebrate the Blackheath Sunday Masses on both 8th and 15th June. Regrettably, at this juncture, there will be no other Masses/Sacraments available during this period. I will advise emergency alternative contacts in next week's bulletin. Other dates include Ascension Sunday (1/6), Pentecost Sunday (8/6), Queen's Birthday (9/6), Trinity Sunday (15/6), Corpus Christi (22/6), School Term 2 ends (27/6), Annual Parish Dinner (5/7); School term 3 starts (14/7), St Mary of the Cross Mackillop's Feast (8/8), Assumption of Our Lady Feast - **Holy Day of Obligation** (15/8), Diocesan Audit of our parish (17/9), School Term 3 ends (19/9), **Sacrament of Confirmation** (21/9), Daylight Savings Starts (6/10), School Term 4 starts (7/10), **Pope Paul VI's Canonization** (19/10), Melbourne Cup Fun Day (4/11), Church Year ends (29/11), School Term 4 ends (19/12). That's the best I can do for the time being!

ASCENSION & PENTECOST SUNDAYS: Sunday next is the Solemnity Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven. This makes it a very special day for us to celebrate. As stated in item one above, please note that there will be no vigil Mass next Saturday (5th Saturday). Perhaps the 5pm Mass at Leura might help?

The following Sunday (8/6), the Queen's Birthday weekend, is another Solemnity Feast, that of Pentecost Sunday, when we celebrate the spectacular arrival of the Holy Spirit into our lives. Pentecost Sunday is also the last day of the Easter Season - and the last day the Paschal candle is lit during Mass this year!

BAPTISMS: There have been a number of baptisms carried out here over the last couple of months. However, I have not mentioned them because of a shortage of bulletin space. However, following today's Mass at 11.30am, little Isabella Romao-Silva, daughter of Christine and Antonio, is to be baptised at the ripe old age of two months. Congratulations to Isabella, her parents and their wider family! Welcome to God's family, and to our Sacred Heart Parish!

DWF TIME: Seems that every time we turn around there is another special collection seeking our financial support. Today and next Sunday we are asked to contribute to the funds that support our Diocesan services, services that enable us to help those in our own region who have particular problems/needs. Please, give what you can! God knows, the need is always greater than the available support! Thank you in advance for that support! Envelopes on the second collection, please!

KEN AUSTIN: A final word! A tragic, unexpected road death under extraordinary circumstances! Ken will be sorely missed both within our church community and the wider Blackheath "family." Thank you, too, to Fr Paul Hanna for conducting Ken's funeral service. R.I.P. Ken! **God Bless! Fr Bob**

St Vincent de Paul WINTER APPEAL 14-15 June: "Time and time again, the kind-hearted deeds of our supporters shine through, providing comfort and solace to the people in our community who need it most. The public's donations tell people doing it tough that they matter and haven't been forgotten..."; Ray Reynolds, President, St Vincent de Paul Society NSW. Please find your reason for giving this winter and donate to the Vinnie's 2014 Winter Appeal so that we can continue to change lives every day.

The Holy Spirit is not a thing apart from God and Jesus, but the bond between them, and the believer is drawn into this love and becomes part of it through living the way of Christ. Contemplate the ways you experience the life and love of the Spirit of God in the world: in nature and human relationships; in society; in personal prayer; in the Church and its liturgy. - The Summit p XXV

**Happy 39th Anniversary
Diane & Murray Stewart
for 31st May**

Sacred Heart Care Group
This is just a reminder that our Care Group is here to assist parishioners in times of need. Please contact Michelle Funnell 4757 2638 if you need help if you think we can help.



"What is Right?"

**Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP
and Rabbi Jeremy Lawrence**



are co-speakers at this Luncheon Club event hosted by the NSW Council of Christians and Jews. Discussion on the topic 'What is right?' will canvas the ability to criticise and identify right and wrong and speaking out on right and wrong. The event is also an opportunity to farewell Rabbi Lawrence who leaves for the UK after many years of active participation in both Jewish communal and interfaith roles in NSW.

**Date: Thursday 29th May
Time: From 12.30pm-2.30pm
Venue: The Great Synagogue
166 Castlereagh St Sydney**

Cost: Adults \$20; seniors & students \$15

Bookings essential as seating is limited
RSVP by 27th May to Sr Marianne Dacy
Ph: 02 9390 5168

E: dacymarianne@yahoo.com.au

In memoriam
**Lorenzo Fusina ~ 25 May; Thea Ellis ~ 26 May
Rosemary Davis ~ 27 May;
John Pye MSC ~ 29 May & Geoff Cliff ~ 30 May**

Blackheath Phoenix Choir

With special guests
Three Piece Suite

Concert for Autumn

Featuring autumnal and pastoral selections from Purcell's Dido & Aeneas and Gluck's Orfeo & Euridice with choral and chamber music by Elgar, Fauré, Dowland and others and premiering a new work by Rowen Fox.

**Today at 3.00pm
Blackheath Presbyterian
Church, 125 Wentworth St**

Tickets: \$20 and \$15
Enquiries 0404 306 589

Two of the members of the Phoenix Choir are our very own Joe and Rasa Blansjaar.