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Isaiah 50:4-7 *God is my help*
Philippians 2:6-11 *He emptied himself*
Mark 14:1-15:47 *Son of God*

Psalm Response

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
*Christ became obedient for us even to death
dying on the cross.*

*Therefore, God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all other names.*
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Servers

29 Mar Ray Wood
5 Apr Bill Grieves

Readers

29 Mar 1st Reading Ron Davis
Intercessions Christa Buckley
2nd Reading Christine Helby
5 Apr 1st Reading Barbara Grieves
Intercessions Marilyn Rowe
2nd Reading Claire Maguire

Ministers of the Eucharist

29 Mar Pat Wicks and Margaret Davis
5 Apr Robert Forbes and David Buckley

Counters

29 Mar Barbara and Bill
5 Apr Marilyn

Morning Tea

29 Mar Claire Maguire
5 Apr EASTER SUNDAY

Church Care

10 Apr Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons



**Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord
Year B**

29th March 2015

Jesus makes his entry into
Jerusalem, the royal city,
amidst acclamation and
spreading of cloaks.

As today's liturgy
proceeds, however, the
mood changes completely.
The responsorial psalm
takes up the lament:
'My God, my God, why
have you abandoned me?
All who see me deride me.
They divide my clothing
among them. They cast
lots for my robe.'
We are accompanying
Jesus in his Passion.

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill and also their carers:
Siobhan Atkin; Barry Leeder; Leslie Dee; Neal Evans; Anne Farindon;
James Ford; Kenneth Kirkham; Lorraine McKelvie; Frank Mackrell;
Junko Odawa, Frances Slater, Marion Walker and Nicole Warner.

This Week's Feast Days for Sunday 29th March to Saturday 4th April

29th March St Joseph of Arimathea, 1st Century
30th St John Climacus, Abbot (579-649)
31st St Amos, Prophet OT (c750BC)
1st April St Hugh, Bishop (1053-1132)
2nd St Francis of Paola, Hermit (1416-1508), optional
Pope John Paul II Anniversary of Death 2005
3rd St Richard, Bishop (1197-1253); St Benedict the African,
Franciscan (1526-1589); Patron of African Americans
4th St Isidore of Seville, Bishop & Doctor (565-636), optional



Next Week

He has risen!

Acts 10:34,
37-43

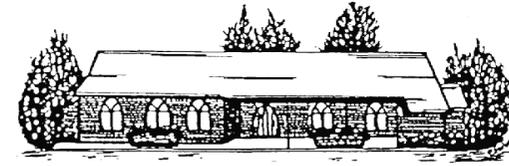
Psalm 117

Col
3:1-4

John
20:1-9



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, 3rd and 5th 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 Dennis Doherty (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



At last, after five, long weeks of Lenten struggle, we have reached the last week of Lent – Holy Week!

This coming week is the most significant period in the Church year as it encompasses the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. The number of liturgies planned for this week, the days and times of which are detailed in this bulletin, confirm the singular importance of this Season in our Church year. As we near the Paschal Feast of Easter Sunday, we are now able to reflect on how well we have done in our endeavours to achieve those personal goals we have set during this time. Did we review, revise and renew enough to bring us closer to God and neighbour in the practice of our Catholic faith? I certainly hope so, because that is what Lent is all about.

Passion (Palm) Sunday introduces us to the profound events of Holy Week by demonstrating the changing nature of human behaviour presented for us to consider on this day. First, we have the crowd's stated intention of installing Jesus as their king; less than a week later that same crowd calls for His crucifixion and death. Just how fickle can human nature be!

For all the suffering endured by Jesus through His Passion and Death, the critical act of salvation by Him occurred early on Easter Sunday morning through His Resurrection. Without Jesus' Resurrection from the dead, the Catholic Church could not have been established and you and I would not be here now. All that occurs during this coming week leads us inexorably to the events of Easter Sunday morning – Jesus' Resurrection.

You are, therefore, sincerely invited to share with our parish family the events of this week as they unfold, especially the infinite depth of Jesus' love for each of us that far exceeds even His terrible torture, crucifixion and death. Easter, through Jesus' Resurrection, is the ultimate triumph of good over evil. That, surely, is a victory worth waiting for, and celebrating!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Subject to reasonable weather, this year these "Stations" will be held in our forest area. Thanks Julie for making this possible!

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION: The annual support of the Church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. God alone knows how much that support is needed at this time in that troubled region of our world. Please, give what you can!
God Bless! Father Bob

We need **Readers** and others for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. If you can assist, please see Fr Bob today. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Afternoon Capers will be held at **Glenella Guest House Thai Restaurant**, Govetts Leap Road, on 1st April at 12pm. All welcome. If you need transport or want to know more, please phone Diane 4787 1357. 

In memoriam: **Ken Cullen** ~ 1st April; **Edna Moran** ~ 2nd April; **Mathew Walker** ~ 2nd April; and **Roma Ward** ~ 4th April.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PROJECT COMPASSION

To combat the variable weather patterns affecting farmers in Vinsen's village in Indonesia, a local community program supported by Caritas Australia, is teaching farmers how to terrace land and grow sustainable crops for life – regardless of the changing weather. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help farmers in remote West Timor grow sustainable crops for life, regardless of changing weather patterns.** www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion 1800 024 413

SACRED TRIDUUM MASSES AND LITURGIES

Chrism Mass – 1st April (Parramatta)

7.30pm Where are collected the Sacred Oils for Parish use over the next year.

Holy Thursday – 2nd April

7.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (Altar of Repose quiet time concludes at 9.30pm.)

Good Friday – 3rd April

10.00am Stations of the Cross in the Forest – Sacred Heart Blackheath
10.00am Ecumenical Service at St Joseph's Megalong Valley (arranged by local catechist, Norma Carlon. Social activities to follow.)

3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
5.00pm Sunset Liturgy at Mt Blackheath

Holy Saturday – 4th April

1.00pm Walk to Walls Cave to collect water for the Easter Vigil Mass
7.00pm The Easter Vigil Mass and associated Liturgy

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord – 5th April

5.00am Sunrise Liturgy at George Phillips Lookout, Govett's Leap
7.00am Mass at St Paul's, Mt Victoria
9.30am Mass at Sacred Heart Blackheath
9.30am Mass at St Joseph's Megalong Valley

Please note that Fr Paul Hanna and I will be sharing these Liturgies and Masses.



PALM SUNDAY RALLY

rescheduled to Sunday 19 April

This year the organisers of the Palm Sunday Rally have rescheduled it to 19 April as Palm Sunday falls the day after the NSW state election. Begins at 1pm in Belmore Park near Central Station.

Happy Birthday Pat Drummond for 2nd April

Sacred Heart Care Ministry offers support for those in our community requiring assistance. Please contact Michelle on 4757 2638.

Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?