

Exodus 24:3-8 Blood of covenant Hebrews 9:11-15 Blood of Christ Mark 14:12-16.22-26 My body, my blood

## Psalm Response

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## Servers

7 Jun Ray Wood 14 Jun Bill Grieves

#### Readers

7 Jun 1st Reading Lillis Family
Intercessions Patricia Dee
2nd Reading Ron Davis
14 Jun 1st Reading Monica Bright

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## **Ministers of the Eucharist**

7 Jun Monica and Brian Bright

14 Jun Elizabeth Doolan and Diana Landsberg

## Counters

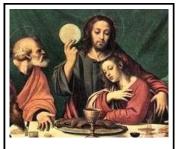
7 Jun Carla and Neil 14 Jun Julie and Lance

## Morning Tea

7 Jun Dave Harris 14 Jun Mary Woodward

#### **Church Care**

19 Jun Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons



# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Year B

7th June 2015

The Body and Blood of Christ is our food for the journey through life. Jesus instituted this sacrament on the eve of his Passion, indelibly marking the memory of his disciples then and now with this great gift of his enduring presence. Jesus encourages us to partake of this food, so that we may grow in love for him, and have the strength to continue our own journey.

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell and also their carers: Siobhan Atkin; Michael Cooper; Leslie Dee; Neal Evans; Anne Farindon; James Ford; Kenneth Kirkham; Frank Mackrell; Lorraine McKelvie; Fr Laurie Mooney OSA; Cathy Salier and Frances Slater.

# This Week's Feast Days for Sunday 7th June to Saturday 13th June

7th St Robert of Newminster (1100-59) Abbot

St Medard(457-560) Bishop; St William of York (d1154) Bishop

St Jacques Berthieu (1838-96) Jesuit Priest, Martyr St Ephrem (306-373) Deacon & Doctor - optional

St Columba (521-97) Patron of floods, bookbinders and poets

10th St Getulius (d120) Martyr

11th St Barnabas (d660) Apostle - Memorial

12th St Olympius (d343) Bishop

13th St Anthony of Padua (1195-1231) Priest & Doctor - Memorial

Next Week
Calming
the sea
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3:1.8-11 Ps 106 2 Cor 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41 SACREDHEARTPARISH



# 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 SheridanOffice hours:Wed: 1.00pm - 4.00pmParish House:4787 8811Thu: 9.00am - 12.00pmParish Mobile:0428 878810 (Emergency only)Fri: 9.00am - 12.00pm

**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 - MassSunday9.30amEvening MassTuesday6.30pmMorning MassWednesday, Friday and Saturday<br/>Thursday9.00am<br/>8.00am

Benediction 2nd Saturday after 9.00am Mass Exposition All other Saturdays after 9.00am Mass

ReconciliationSaturdays9.30amHealing Mass1st Saturday of the month9.00amMount Victoria - Vigil Mass1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays6.00pm

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** 

CORPUS CHRISTI: Now more appropriately known as "The Body and Blood of Christ" - a title change that was made in 1970 following conclusion of the Second Vatican Council in 1965 - this Solemnity Feast of the then "Corpus Christi" (Latin for "Body of Christ"), was expanded to include the "Blood of Christ" which has always been part of the centrepiece of our Mass the Eucharist! This Solemnity emerged in the 13th Century at a time when people rarely received Holy Communion. The Church brought in a law decreeing that people receive the Eucharist at least once a year during the Easter Season. These days we Catholics consider the Eucharist to be the "source and summit" of the Church's life throughout the year. Today, we once more pause to consider the way we are nourished by the "Body of Christ" and the "Blood of Christ." We receive this perfect gift from, and of, Christ Himself within the community of faith: it is a call to unity. So, let us be ever conscious of Christ's personal presence in the gifts of His Body and Blood to us through His Eucharist.

**OUR PATRONAL FEAST**: Friday next (12th June) is the Solemnity Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Mass will commence at the normal starting time of 9.00am. However, to bring added honour to this Feast, we will also share a Holy Hour on that day after Mass has concluded. Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament will then occur, plus recitation of the Litany of the Most Sacred Heart. A short period of quiet reflection will then follow with Benediction to conclude the hour. This is a very special feast for us, given the singular patronage we, as a parish, enjoy through Jesus' Most Sacred Heart.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY FEAST: The day after the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart, next Saturday, we celebrate the complementary Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Mass will be celebrated at Blackheath, as normal, at 9.00am and, because it will be the second Saturday of the month, this Optional Feast, too, will also include Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary and availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This service also will conclude with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: An invitation is extended for any interested parishioners to attend a Corpus Christi Procession this afternoon from 1.00pm, to be held at St Mary's Catholic Church, Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa. Benediction will follow with light refreshments afterwards.

Thought You Might be Interested: Taken from a daily reflection booklet titled "Mission" produced by Rev. Mark Link, S.J.

"A tourist visiting England was enchanted by an old cemetery with its headstones and their quaint inscriptions. One especially caught his eye. It read:

'Remember, man that passeth by, as thou art now, so once was I; and as I am, so thou must be; prepare thyself to follow me.'

Below the inscription, someone had scribbled these words: 'To follow thee's not my intent, unless I know which way thou went!'

**God Bless! Father Bob** 



PARISH DINNER *To be held at the* Blackheath Golf Club

on Friday, 19th June, commencing at 6.00pm with an Asian Buffet, Sweets plus Tea and Coffee. *Cost* \$30.00 *per head.* Grab your tickets from Patricia after Mass today, or note your intention on the notice board.

"What do I want to do in life?" Are you a young adult Catholic (18-35) wondering what direction you want to take in life? If you are, why not come along to our Vocations' Retreat at Mount Carmel Retreat Centre (SW Sydney) on July 24th-26th. If you want more information or to speak with one of the team giving the retreat, contact the Centre: 02 8795 3400

In memoriam **Leonard Kirkham** ~ 8th June **Eric Noble** ~ 11th June

## Gospel Focus - Words of Institution

The words of the gospel passage in which *Jesus takes bread and wine and blesses* them will be familiar. They are the words used at the consecration of the bread and wine during the Mass. The words and actions of Iesus at the Last Supper are regarded as instituting the celebration of the Eucharist. Jesus took an act that was familiar to the Passover meal and gave it a new meaning and a new significance for his followers. What had been a memory of escape from slavery in Egypt became an ongoing reminder of Christ's continued presence in the Eucharist and in the *Eucharistic community.* (Liturgyhelp)

## What is our attitude?

Before becoming a Catholic, I used to sit in the back row at Mass, and watch people going up to receive Communion and returning to their places. Some looked totally focused, absorbed in the mystery of receiving the Body of the Lord. But many seemed inattentive, glancing around the church or nodding to friends. As one longing to receive, but unable to do so. I was amazed at how many seemed to take for granted what they were doing, and to be unaware of the gift of it. (JK)

from **People**speak

## Shroud of Turin replica on display at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, 26 Swanston Street, St Marys.

As part of this year's celebrations for the bicentenary of the birth of Don Bosco, a full-scale facsimile of the Holy Shroud of Turin will be on display at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish at St Marys until 24 June. The church is open for viewing every day during daylight hours.



#### 'COME AS YOU ARE'

A two-day silent retreat - Friday 12th June 6pm to Sunday 14th June 3pm In this silent retreat you will be given your own spiritual director for daily direction. In gentle conversation, your director will discern with you how God is at work in your prayer. You don't have to 'holy' or particularly prayerful. Just come as you are.

Shalom House of Prayer / Spiritual director - Robyn Blunt Suggested donation \$170 (all meals and accommodation) To register, phone 02 6367 3058 or email shalomcarcoar@gmail.com