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*Job 7:1-4.6-7 Restless fretting*  
*1 Cor 9:16-19.22-23 Paul's responsibility*  
*Mark 1:29-39 Came to preach*

**Psalm Response**

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**  
He bore our sickness and endured our suffering.  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**ROSTERS**

**Servers**

8 Feb Ray Wood  
15 Feb Diane Stewart

**Readers**

8 Feb 1st Reading Barbara Grieves  
Intercessions Marilyn Rowe  
2nd Reading Claire Maguire  
15 Feb 1st Reading Lillis Family  
Intercessions Patricia Dee  
2nd Reading Ron Davis

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

8 Feb Robert Forbes and David Buckley  
15 Feb Diana Landsberg and Elizabeth Doolan

**Counters**

8 Feb Barbara and Bill  
15 Feb Marilyn

**Morning Tea**

8 Feb Monica Bright  
15 Feb Dave Harris

**Church Care**

13 Feb Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam



**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B**

8th February 2015

Jesus' preaching and cures make such a deep impression on the people of Capernaum that everybody is looking for him.

In the midst of all the acclaim, he withdraws so he can be alone with his Father in prayer. There he discerns that he must continue his preaching elsewhere, because that is why he came.

We, too, need prayer to enable us to discern what really matters.

NEXT WEEK: **OUTCAST NO LONGER** Lev 13:1-2.44-46; Ps 31; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45

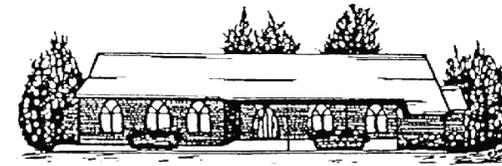
Please remember in your prayers those who are ill and also their carers:  
**Siobhan Atkin; Leslie Dee; Neal Evans; Anne Farindon; James Ford; Anthony Gilchrist; Kenneth Kirkham; Lorraine McKelvie; Junko Odawa, Frances Slater and Nicole Warner.**

**This week's Feast Days: Sunday 8th to Saturday 14th February 2015**

8th St Josephine Bakhita, Virgin (1868-1947), optional  
St Jerome Emiliani, Priest (1481-1537), optional  
9th St Apollonia, Virgin & Martyr (d249AD)  
10th St Scholastica, Virgin (c480-547), Memorial  
11th Our Lady of Lourdes (1858AD), optional  
12th St Saturninos & Companions, Martyrs (d304AD)  
13th St Catherine de Ricci, Virgin (1522-89)  
14th St Valentine, Priest & Martyr (d270); Sts Cyril, Monk (826-869) & Methodius, Bishop



# 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, Marriages and sick calls - 4787 8811.  
**e-mail:** shbheath2@bigpond.com

**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 - Mass</b>	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 - Vigil Mass</b>	1st and 3rd Saturdays	6.00pm
<b>Megalong Valley - Vigil Mass</b>	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](mailto:shbheath2@bigpond.com)

Every now and again circumstances bring together events of a similar nature in a concentrated way. Such is the case this week, when there will be celebrated three Masses over the next four days, each with a different special purpose for us to adopt. A summary of each of these Masses follows:

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING:** Today is the feast day of a lesser-known great saint, St Josephine Bakhita, who was enslaved in her childhood, passed through a number of brutal owners over many years, was eventually freed, joined a religious order in which she lived a saintly life and died in 1947 at 79 years. St Josephine was canonised in 2000 by Pope St John Paul II. This is the first International Day of Prayer and Awareness against human trafficking to be undertaken by the Church. Cardinal Turkson, president of the Pontifical Council of "Justice & Peace" stated that millions of people today - children, women, men - are deprived of freedom and forced to live in conditions akin to slavery. For them, St Josephine Bakhita is an exemplary witness of hope and inspiration. The Holy Father considers this to be a global phenomenon beyond the competence of any community or country to resolve. Hence this mobilization of awareness and prayer on a world scale by the Church. More on this subject during today's Mass!

**CATECHISTS' ANNUAL BLUE MOUNTAINS DEANERY MASS:** All are invited to attend this Mass that heralds the year's commencement of Special Religious Education within our Deanery. Our Catechists will be there to share in the celebration of the Eucharist at which the presentation of CCD Certificates to a number of worthy recipients will also take place. The church: St Finbar's, Levy Street, Glenbrook. The day: Tuesday next, 10th February. The time: 10.30am. Please note that my celebration of this Mass will have no effect on the 6.30pm Blackheath Mass that day.

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS:** This Mass is aimed at the sick, infirmed and the elderly. It is to be celebrated the next day, **Wednesday, 11th February**. There will be two Masses that day. The first Mass is to be celebrated at **Blackheath** as normal at **9.00am**. **This will be a Healing Mass**. The second Mass is to be held at **St Patrick's Church, 51 Allawah Street, Blacktown from 7.00pm**, and will be a full Diocesan Mass with all priests present, including myself. However, the Blacktown Mass is to be direct-streamed to every Parramatta Parish, including our Sacred Heart Church at Blackheath. **Our intention is to show on our Church screen this Mass in its entirety for you to share.** For that to happen the Church will remain open that day until after the Blacktown Mass ends. You are most welcome to attend this innovative presentation of that Blacktown Mass. Our hope is that you will take advantage of this opportunity, and be here!

**ANNUAL GARAGE SALE:** Here we go again! We have stock stored in every nook and cranny, with more being added every day. More volunteers are needed next Friday (13/2) to assist display the merchandise in the parish hall. The actual sale will be held over the two days of next weekend (14/2 & 15/2) and additional help is needed there, also. Should you be able to assist, please contact either Marilyn or Patricia on 4787 8540. Many thanks!

**God Bless! Father Bob**

### Lenten Program 2015 - "Rich in Mercy"

These Lenten reflections for individuals and groups are focused on the second readings for the Sundays of Lent. The six scripture reflections in the book have been written by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. These eloquent and insightful commentaries emphasise 'the power of mercy that leads us out of a merciless world into a world where mercy has the last word'. At the end of the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus asks the lawyer: 'Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' The lawyer replied, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise' (Luke 10:36-37).

Please add your name to the sheet on the notice board if you would like to lead a group or join a group as a participant. To date, we have two groups set up:

#### THURSDAY NIGHT ~ 7.30pm

Beginning 19 February  
Home Host: Brian and Monica Bright  
26 Asquith Ave, Wentworth Falls  
Phone: 4757 3943

#### FRIDAY MORNING ~ 10.00am

Beginning 20 February  
Home Host: Carmen Beard  
9 Waragil St, Blackheath  
Phone: 0413 537 227



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joe Landsberg ~ 77 today  
Freya McNair for today  
Mary Kingston for 11th February  
Kenya Burke ~ 13 on 11th February

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



**Ash Wednesday:** If you still have your 'palms' from last year's Passion Sunday, please give them to Fr Bob by Sunday, 15th February. These palms will be burnt to become the ashes for Ash Wednesday on 18th February.



### Parish Pastoral Council changes:

The new PPC Secretary is **Dennis Doherty**; and additional Finance Committee members are **Pamela Scott & John Tweedie**.

### COFFEE CAPERS

Seventeen people enjoyed a beautiful lunch at the Old Post Office Café at Hartley. Thanks to Diane and Norma for organizing and it was especially nice to see John and Marion Crowley. See you all next month!

### Happy 52nd Anniversary

Joe & Diana Landsberg  
9th February



### GARAGE SALE

Thanks to those parishioners (and friends of parishioners) who have put their names on the Notice Board to help with our sale next weekend. This is one of our main fundraising efforts for the Parish and we need YOUR help! We are also seeking a volunteer to man the BBQ on Saturday, due to David Buckley's recent operation. Please let either Patricia or Marilyn know if you can help. Even better if you could organize the purchase of the snags, onions and rolls.