

1 Kings 19:4-8 Food for the journey
Ephesians 4:30-5:2 Live in love
John 6:41-51 Bread of life

Psalm Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

9th August 2015

The prophet Elijah is weary of life, and wishes he were dead. An angel comes twice and encourages him to eat. That food strengthened him for his journey to God. When Jesus describes himself as living bread from heaven that brings eternal life, he is rejected. And yet he is the bread of life. He is our strength and support for our journey through life.

Servers

9 Aug Michelle Davis
 16 Aug Ray Wood

Readers

9 Aug 1st Reading Monica Bright
 2nd Reading Brian Bright
 Intercessions Marilyn Rowe
 16 Aug 1st Reading David Buckley
 2nd Reading Christa Buckley
 Intercessions Marilyn Rowe

Ministers of the Eucharist

9 Aug Elizabeth Doolan and Diana Landsberg
 16 Aug Michelle Davis and Robert Forbes

Counters

9 Aug Pamela and John
 16 Aug Robyn and Adrian

Morning Tea

9 Aug Christine Burke
 16 Aug Jan Roberts

Church Care

14 Aug Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam

Next Week: Living bread

Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 33 Eph 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

A VOCATION VIEW: *To taste and see the goodness of the Lord means to be drawn closer to God. "Try, then, to imitate God as children of His that He loves, and follow Christ by loving as He loved you." Be a presence of God's love in the world today. Do what you can to bring to life God's love.*

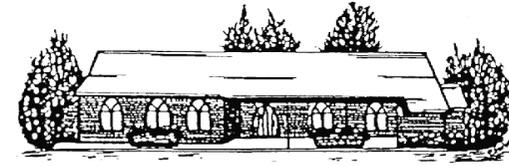
Feast Days for this week! (Sunday 9th - Saturday 15th August 2015)

- 9th St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Virgin & Martyr (1891-1942) - Feast
- 10th St Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr (d258) - Feast
- 11th St Clare of Assisi, Virgin (1193-1253) - Memorial
- 12th St Jane Frances de Chantal – Religious (1572-1641), Optional
- 13th St Hippolytus, Priest, Martyr (170-235) - Optional
- 14th St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest, Martyr (1894-1941) - Memorial
- 15th Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy Day of Obligation/ Solemnity, Dogma of the Church



St Jane Frances de Chantal

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:** 9.00am - 12.00pm
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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

Fr Bob is on leave for all of August and will return for duty on 1st September.

EMERGENCIES: Should you have an urgent need for the services of a priest during his absence, please phone Fr Ted Tyler (Katoomba) on 4782 2804 or Fr Paul Slyney (Lawson) on 4759 1034 or (Springwood) on 4754 1052.

AUGUST ALTERNATE WEEKDAY MASSES:

Mondays: 8.30am Katoomba
Tuesdays: 12.30pm Lithgow; 5.00pm Lawson; 5.15pm Leura
Wednesdays: 9.00am Lawson; 10.00am Wentworth Falls
Thursdays: 9.30am Lithgow; 9.00am Lawson
Fridays: 9.30am Lithgow (check day before 6351 3092)
or 12pm Katoomba
Saturday: 9.30am Katoomba
Saturday Vigil: 5.00pm Lithgow; 5.00pm Lawson; 5.00pm Leura



The Feast of the Assumption (15th August) celebrates the belief that the body and soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken into heaven after the end of her earthly life. Mary's assumption into heaven is seen by many as a fulfilment of Jesus' promise to all faithful servants; that they too will be received into the kingdom of God. Mary is seen as the first disciple of Jesus and a model for all disciples; it is fitting that she receive the gift of discipleship first of all. Belief in the Assumption of Mary had become widespread by the end of the seventh century and was eventually defined in an infallible statement by Pope Pius XII in 1950. Where humanly possible, we are each obliged to attend morning Mass on that day (the vigil Mass does not count), even though that may involve travel to an adjoining area. Attendance at this Mass does not exempt us from being present at the Sunday Mass or its Saturday Vigil Mass.

WEEKLY ENVELOPES: 2015/2016 envelopes are now available for collection at the back of the Church. Thank you to all parishioners who contribute each week. If you are new to our Parish or would simply like to order a set of envelopes, we have plenty available at the office, or contact Fr Bob, Marilyn or Patricia.

★HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Adrian Carroll
for 10th August
Marie Johnston
for 10th August
Phil Wicks
for 11th August

Happy Anniversary
Claire & Ian Maguire
44 years on 14 August

If you would like a copy
of our bulletin online,
please email the Office
shbheath2@bigpond.com

For your diary
PHOENIX CHOIR
SCHUBERT AND MOZART
Schubert Mass
No.2 in G Major
Phillips Hall, Blackheath
7pm, Friday, 21 August

and at
St Hilda's Anglican
Church, Katoomba
4pm Saturday 22 August

(Joe and Rasa are members
of this wonderful choir.)

More details at
www.phoenixchoir.org.au

Father Musingura John Bosco

Last Sunday we were blessed to have Fr John lead us in the first of our Eucharistic Celebrations while Fr Bob is away on holidays. Contrary to earlier advice, Fr John turned out to be the Parish Priest of St Andrea Kaahwa's Parish in Fort Portal, Uganda. He is in Australia for just 3 months. And 'out of the blue' Fr John asked if he could appeal for our community's help ... helping him raise funds for badly needed transport facilities in his parish - 1 Toyota Hilux twin cab and 2 motorcycles. Among many objectives, better transport will facilitate easier and timelier access to Parish outstations, help reduce maternal and infant mortality and intensify their community campaign against domestic violence.

And what an appeal it was - so genuine and from the heart! As always our Sacred Heart Community came to the fore - with outstanding generosity. \$1009 cash was raised (along with several cheques) in the 'spur of the moment' retiring collection - 2/3 the cost of one motorcycle! As possibly the smallest Parish in the Diocese, we can be very proud - Thank You! And Thanks to Bill and Barbara for showing Fr John and his driver wonderful Blue Mountains hospitality!

Many parishioners came unprepared and could not donate on the day. If you would like to contribute, special envelopes are available in the sacristy today and these can be placed in a basket also in the sacristy. A few more of Fr John's flyers have been run off and are also available in the sacristy.

On Sunday 30 August, we shall be celebrating the 101st World Day of Migrants and Refugees. The theme for this year's celebration is:

Church without frontiers, Mother to all.

Over many decades our country has been blessed through the arrival of refugees and migrants from many different countries. Some have arrived after fleeing persecution and hardship in their country of birth, others through simple attraction to our shores - the overall dream of making a better life for themselves and their loved ones - here in Australia.

Our Liturgy and Ministry group is looking to celebrate the many gifts brought to us by those in our community who are refugees or migrants. It is also an opportunity for us to look at some of the social justice issues that confront us in today's world of refugees and people smuggling.

As part of our Liturgy, we are seeking help from those who can lead us in our Intercessional Prayer ... in their own native tongue. To continue our celebration after Mass, we are also planning to make morning tea that day (in the hall) an international event - hopefully with a guest speaker from the Blue Mountains Refugee Support Group to talk to us about some of the current issues facing migrants and refugees in Australia today.

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill and their carers:

Siobhan Atkin; Michael Cooper; Leslie Dee;
Neal Evans; Anne Farindon; James Ford; Robert Graham;
Fr Kevin Hay; Kenneth Kirkham; Norma Longmuir;
Frank Mackrell; Lorraine McKelvie; Ron O'Brien;
Kerry Oliver-Graham; Cathy Salier and Frances Slater.

In memoriam
Pte. William Frazer
9th August
(died at Gallipoli
1915 - aged 16)
~ Francis Doyle ~
15th August