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Job 3:1.8-11 God of the sea
2 Corinthians 5:14-17 New creation
Mark 4:35-41 Calming the sea

Response to the psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (x2)
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (x2)

Servers

21 June Pat Leeder
28 June Bill Grieves

Readers

21 June 1st Reading Robyn Burns
Ps/Intercessions Kevin Burns
2nd Reading Peter Ticehurst
28 June 1st Reading Monica Bright
Ps/Intercessions Anthony Gilchrist
2nd Reading Brian Bright

Ministers of the Eucharist

21 June Monica and Brian Bright
28 June Heather Carroll and Carla Endean

Children's Liturgy

21 June Carroll Family
28 June Bettina LeGras

Counters

21 June Robyn and Adrian
28 June Barbara and Bill

Morning Tea

21 June Frances Huckstepp
28 June Margaret Ridoutt

Church Care

26 June Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons
3 July Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam



**Twelfth Sunday
Year B**

Not many of us would be fast asleep in a small boat which was tossing around like a cork on a stormy sea! Jesus must have been extremely exhausted, needing rest, and fearless. We may think the disciples should have had strong faith after the miracles they had witnessed. When we are going through difficult times, we, too, often forget that Jesus is there with us.

NEXT WEEK: Have faith *Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Psalm 29 2 Corinthians 8:7.9.13-15; Mark 5:21-43*

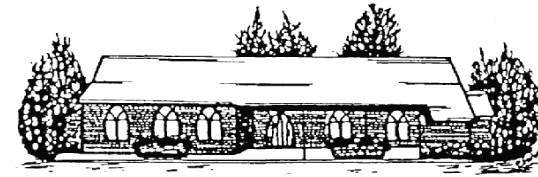
✠In memoriam✠
Kathleen Duggan
~ 24 June ~
Josip Naraj ~ 24 June
Michael Jackson
~ 24 June ~

Happy Birthday Marion Crowley ~ 26 June

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:
Russell Ellis; James Ford; Judy Frazer; Roger Johnstone; Travis Kingston; Irene Peacock; Cecily O'Brien; David Ridoutt & Hugo Riggs.

Praying the Gospel Group meet Wednesdays at 9.30am after Mass.

SACRED HEART PARISH



Sacred Heart Church ~ Blackheath
Saint Paul's Church ~ Mount Victoria
Saint Joseph's Church ~ Megalong Valley

We wish to acknowledge the Darug and Gundungurra people,
the original custodians of this 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.

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Website: <http://www.keepersoftheflame.net/SacredHeartParish/index.html>

Blackheath - Mass	Sunday	9.30am
Evening Mass	Tuesday	6.30pm
Morning Mass	Wednesday, Friday & Saturday	9.00am
	Thursday	8.00am
Communion Service	Monday	9.00am
Praying the Gospel	Wednesday	9.30am
Reconciliation	Saturday	9.30am to 10.00am
Mount Victoria - Mass	1st Friday of month	7.00pm
Megalong Valley - Vigil Mass	2nd Saturday of month	6.00pm

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 3rd Thursday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to either Fr Bob, Monica Bright (Chair), Adrian Carroll (Deputy Chair) or Chris Le Gras (Secretary).

Care Group - Carmel Vanny (4787 8706) Michelle Funnell (4757 2638)

Bulletin Items: Please contact Kate Forbes by 7.00pm Thursday.
Phone 4787 8520 or email sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com

SORRY

Last Sunday in my homily, I managed to hurt, grossly offend and cause grave disquiet to a number of our parishioners who attended the 9.30am Mass. The depth of that hurt was made very clear to me immediately after that Mass, and since. My commentary was ill-conceived, very poorly expressed and wrong. I apologise unreservedly for all I said that was offensive to far too many of you. I am here always to help, not hurt – ever! In that aspiration I completely failed. To say that I am SORRY is to understate my feelings right now. While I cannot undo what I said, I can seek to do better in the future, and perhaps, in time to come, to once again earn the respect of those whom I have let down so badly on this occasion.

HUMAN SWINE FLU!

Bishop Kevin Manning, Bishop of Parramatta, Diocese of Parramatta has changed a number of liturgical practices within the Mass, effective immediately. These changes are being introduced to minimise the transmission of H1N1 Influenza within our parish community.

Recommends:

- ◆ During the Sign of Peace instead of shaking hands, kissing or embracing, as is practised in some parishes, it would be best to simply nod your head and avoid bodily contact.
- ◆ When praying the Our Father, do not hold hands, as may be practised in some parishes, but simply extend hands towards heaven or fold your hands.
- ◆ Holy Communion should only be distributed under the species of the Consecrated Host AND NOT THE CHALICE to limit the spread of germs during the H1N1 epidemic.
- ◆ Prudence suggests that the reception of Holy Communion be only on the hand, but with respect for the freedom which the Holy See provides in this matter.
- ◆ Holy water from the font should not be used either when entering or departing from the Church.

God Bless! Fr Bob

Feast Days for this week! (21st to 27th June 2009)

Sunday	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious, Memorial (1568-1591) St Eusebius, Bishop (C260-C340)
Monday	St John Fisher, Bishop/Martyr (1459-1535) St Thomas More, Martyr (1478-1535)
Wednesday	Birth of St John the Baptist – Solemnity
Friday	St Josemaria Escriva (1902-1975)
Saturday	St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor (C374-444)



CONGRATULATIONS TO FR BOB on his appointment to our community! Fr Bob, you will be supported by our prayers in your ministry with us all. May we walk together in peace and trust.

MESSAGE FROM FR KEVIN BATES SM TO ALL

Father Kevin Bates sends his love and prayers to all. He thanks you for all your prayers when he was privileged to celebrate the life of Professor Chris O'Brien at the recent State Funeral. His dear family are parishioners and he accompanied Professor Chris O'Brien for his last nine months. He indicated what a privilege this was.

PARISH DINNER AT THE MANOR HOUSE

It was a wonderful evening shared by all who could attend. Special thanks to Trish for all the organization and to Mary and Alfrida for arranging the many prizes. Rosemary and Pat entertained us with three beautiful songs they had chosen. Joining in the chorus with our generous musicians was a great treat for us all. Music is such a powerful gift. We are blessed at Sacred Heart.

FOOD FOR THE SPIRIT

I am currently reading *'Through a Glass Darkly' A Journey of Love and Grief with My Father* by Caroline Jones. Caroline says *"In my life, through the Search for Meaning and Australian Story, I have been given the wisdom of so many people's stories and admired their struggles to keep the faith in life through hard times. I have committed them to memory and treasured them in my heart. Why then am I handling this so badly?"* Through her grief she reveals a new depth of spiritual maturity and a heightened awareness of the suffering of others.

BLESSING

May the peace of Jesus, the compassionate one, enfold us and our friends in need, in deep peace and quiet joy. (Sr Jacinta Shailer sgs, Wildflower Journey Prayers)

Peace and blessings, Monica.

TIWI BURIAL

Two weeks ago I travelled to the Tiwi Islands for the Funeral Mass and burial of my uncle, a Missionary of the Sacred Heart, who lived and worked with Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory for 68 years. This was a most moving and sacred experience. I feel blessed to have been there to experience the spirituality of the Tiwi people: the young men who carried my uncle's coffin with such dignity, the women who lifted our spirits with prayer and song, the elders who told stories and danced and the children (some just walking), who dropped soil into his grave. All of us present, surrounded by sea and red earth; life and death so perfectly entwined.

I honour the Tiwi people for such rich spirituality and for their centuries of gathered wisdom. My uncle is now at rest with them, our First Australians.

Carmel Vanny