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Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 No favourites
1 John 4:7-10 God's love for us
John 15:9-17 Love one another

Responsorial Psalm: (sung)

The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Gospel Acclamation: (sung) *Alleluia!*

Servers

21 May Wayne Kelly
28 May Diane Stewart

Readers

21 May 1st Reading Jane Nolan
Ps/Intercessions Ian Maguire
2nd Reading Claire Maguire
28 May 1st Reading Julie Hodgkinson
Ps/Intercessions Steve Gauci
2nd Reading Wayne Evans

Ministers of the Eucharist

21 May Marion Crowley and Anne Broomfield
28 May Norma Longmuir and Diana Landsberg

Children's Liturgy

21 May Bettina Le Gras
28 May Carroll Drummond

Counters

21 May Barbara and Bill
28 May Christa and David

Morning Tea

21 May Jan Roberts
28 May Bettina Le Gras

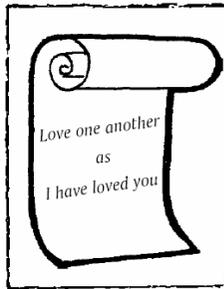
Church Cleaning

26 May Peter and Jennifer Ticehurst
2 June Pat Waters and Phil Wicks

The National Count of Attendance at Mass and Sunday Assemblies will be conducted over the next 3 Sundays. This is held in the same year as the Australian Census (August) and the National Church Life Survey (July-Oct) so that the information collected can be most effectively used in association with results from the other two projects.

NEXT WEEK
He works with us
Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 46
Ephesians 1:17-23;
Mark 16:15-20

Blackheath Presbyterian Women's Association invites the Ladies of Blackheath Catholic Church to a **Winter Fashion Parade** given by Bailey's Fashions at the Uniting Church Hall, Blackheath on Wednesday, 24th May from 10am. Parade at 10.30pm. Light Luncheon to be served - \$7.



Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B

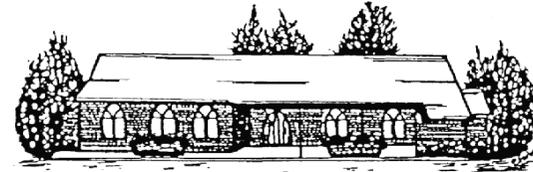
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It seems astonishing that Jesus says he loves us just as the Father loves him.

Who are we in comparison with Jesus, God's beloved Son? With what dignity he endows every created person!

Therefore he commands us to love one another as he loves us. He calls us not servants but friends. The measure of his love is his willingness to lay down his life for us.

SACRED HEART PARISH



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

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.

All enquiries regarding Baptisms, Marriage and sick calls to the Parish House.

~ Pastoral Director ~ Sister Lyn Eastmure O.P. ~

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Blackheath

Mass Sunday 9.30 am
Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service Wednesday 9.00 am
Praying the Gospel Wednesday 9.30 am
Prayer of the Church Friday 9.00 am
Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music 4th Saturday of month 2.00 pm

Mount Victoria

Christian Meditation (one hour) Every Wednesday 7.00 am
Mass 1st Friday of month 7.00 pm

Megalong Valley

Liturgy of the Word 1st Friday of month 9.00 am

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to either Sr Lyn, David Buckley (Chair), Monica Bright (Deputy Chair) or Chris le Gras (Secretary).

Bulletin Items: please contact Kate Forbes by Thursday - phone 4787 8520 or email D_P_I@telpacific.com.au

Dear Friends,

“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.”
As our Wednesday group reflected on today’s gospel, we read that the word **“abide”** in the Greek text is the word *“meno”*. It refers to *dwelling in a place for the long term.*” One of the pastoral council members noted that ... Jesus loves us with as much love as he was loved by the Father. Let us rejoice that we are so abundantly loved, and trust that we are there for the long haul ... bearing the fruit that comes from loving one another. **Blessings, Lyn.**

Today we will welcome **Tyson James Peter Rich** into our Christian community through the waters of Baptism. We congratulate his parents, Ebony and Mark, and sister Billie-Anne and remember them in our prayers.

The Dr. Laurie Brooks Memorial Lecture 2006

What are Australian Values?

Do we need a Bill of Rights to maintain them?

A Lecture by Fr. Frank Brennan S.J.

8pm, Thursday 15th June 2006, St Dominic's, Penrith.

**Source Your Creativity! Engage Sacred Energy!
Experience Fullness of Life!**

2 Weekend Workshops: 9:30am – 3.30pm

~ **Energy in Motion, Saturday, 3 June 2006**

~ **When Love is all there is, Sunday, 4 June 2006**

Offered by Maree Haggerty RSM

St Joseph's Mount, Bathurst

Enquires: Patricia Nugent 63314548(w) 6334 2075 (h)

LANDSCAPING CHURCH GROUNDS: Sean Lillis will speak to interested parishioners about their preferences for landscaping the area in front of the Church Hall, outside the hall on Sunday 11 June after morning tea.

Men's Breakfast - Already a year has passed since our first men's breakfast back in April 2005. Thanks to all who have made this such a success. Our next guest speaker is **“Rumpole of Blackheath”**. Watch this space for more details.

Please keep in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Lorenzo Fusina; and Fr Paul Venticinque's father, **Guy.**

Happy Birthday

Anthony Gilechrist

for 23rd May

Alison Cate

for 24th May

Karzn Cliff

for 26th May

**Pastoral Liturgy
Pastoral Ministry
Course offered by
Catholic Institute
of Sydney –
see Notice board.**

**Preparation for the
Sacraments of
Initiation**

Please keep in
your prayers

**Peter Le Gras,
Bradley Hargreaves
and Riley Kiehne**

and their families as
they prepare for the
Sacraments of
Reconciliation, and
their Confirmation
and First Eucharist on
June 18.

Diocesan Work Fund Pastoral Appeal will be held **today**. We call upon your generosity as we aim to meet our levy of \$1299.00. This appeal helps support many ministries in our Diocese (see this month's *OUTLOOK*). Envelopes are available on the seats. If need be, take one home and return it next week. This is the 3rd and last collection for the financial year ending 30th June. Receipts for your three donations will be issued in the near future. Sr Lyn would be grateful if anyone could offer some assistance with the paperwork for this collection.

PRAYER using Taizé music, Saturday, 27th May at 2pm in the Church.

Ecumenical Prayer Service: June 1st, Thursday at 1.30pm during the Week of Prayer for Reconciliation and Christian Unity (28th May – 4th June). Please invite your friends along. Some printed invitations are still available. If you can assist on the day ... setting up the church, hall, participating in the Prayer Service, please meet with Lyn after this morning's Eucharist.

CHURCH FLOWERS: Your help is urgently needed with arranging flowers for Sunday Mass. Our trio, who have been carrying out this mission for many years, need YOU! Don't think you need a floristry background - it just takes the willingness to enhance the church. Please give it a go as it is a very satisfying job every few months. See Jan Roberts or Barbara Grieves after Mass.

June 4 – Welcoming Sunday! As a parish we are well known for the warm welcome we extend to visitors and one another. We are also aware of new parishioners who have moved into our community and feel we need to celebrate, and greet and meet one another – “new” and “old”, “weekenders” and “permanents”. What better day to do this than on the Birthday of the Church - Pentecost Sunday. We'll gather in the hall after Sunday Mass for morning tea and the opportunity to meet one another, especially, those we may not know, or know by sight and not by name... possibly some entertainment ... and a light lunch of hot soup and rolls will be served!

Whether you can stay or not, to help update our census, would you please fill out the following form, tear it off and place it in a box at one of the doors as you leave the church. *Thank you!*

Family Name: _____ Christian Names : _____

Address: _____ Contact No: _____

Children: _____

A skill/talent... I/we have to offer the community: _____

What might the community be able to assist/or help you with? _____

No. of years in the Parish: 1 year 1-5 yrs 5-10 yrs 10 yrs +