



Jeremiah 20:10-13 Delivered from evil
Romans 5:12-15 God's saving gift
Matthew 10:26-33 Do not be afraid

Responsorial
 Psalm:
 Lord, in Your
 great love,
 answer me.

Gospel Acclamation:
 Alleluia! The Spirit of Truth
 will bear witness to me, says the
 Lord, and you also will be
 my witnesses.



Twelfth Sunday
 Year A

If we follow Jesus by
 loving him and those
 around us, we will not be
 afraid even when things
 are not going well.
 Jesus assures us that
 every hair on our head
 has been counted, so of
 course he will not let us
 down. When the going
 seems tough in our
 everyday lives, we will
 find peace and strength
 when we turn to Jesus
 and remember:
 'Do not be afraid.'

NEXT WEEK: Peter's faith
 Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 33
 2Timothy 4:6-8.17-18;
 Matthew 16:13-19

ROSTERS

Servers

22 June Catherine Beaver
 29 June Ray Wood

Readers

22 June	1st Reading	Carol Drummond
	Ps/Intercessions	Steve Gauci
	2nd Reading	David Buckley
29 June	1st Reading	Julie Hodgkinson
	Ps/Intercessions	Gerard Nolan
	2nd Reading	Pat Wicks

Ministers of the Eucharist

22 June Pat Leeder and Diana Landsberg
 29 June Sr Lyn and Heather Carroll

Children's Liturgy

22 June Moira McNair
 29 June Marie Phillips

Counters

22 June Christa and David
 29 June Robyn and Kevin

Morning Tea

22 June Carroll Family
 29 June Fiona Evans and Jo Gauci

Church Care

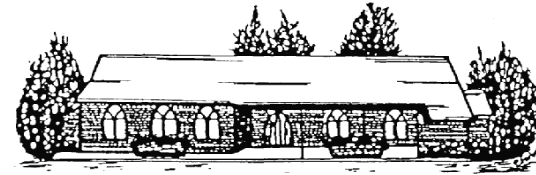
27 June Robyn and Kevin Burns
 4 July Noeleen Cliff and Mary Kingston



God cares for us

Man, for Jesus, is not mere flotsam and jetsam in the river of life, but he is a child of God. Is it not unreasonable to assume that God, whose creative activity is expressed in an awareness of a sparrow's fall and the number of hairs on a man's head, excludes from his encompassing love the life of man itself? The confidence that God is mindful of the individual is of tremendous value in dealing with the disease of fear, for it gives us a sense of worth, of belonging, and of at-homeness in the universe. **Martin Luther King (1929-1968)**

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

Blackheath - Mass	Sunday	9.30 am
Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service	Wednesday	9.00 am
Praying the Gospel	Wednesday	9.30 am
Praying the Rosary	Thursday	2.00 pm
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 - Mass	1st Friday of month	7.00 pm
Care Group: Carmel Vanny (4787 8706) Michelle Funnell (4757 2638)		

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, Monica Bright or Chris Le Gras.

Bulletin Items: please contact Kate by 7.00pm Thursday - phone 4787 8520
 or email sacred.heart.bulletin@gmail.com

Dear Friends,

Reflection from Richard Leonard SJ

Long before the therapist's office Christ enabled the Church to develop the Sacrament of Penance where we admit our most destructive behaviour and hear that we are forgiven and healed. That's why, when I am hearing a confession, I can't tell you how happy I am to hear the penitent say, 'Father I have never told anyone this before.' At that moment I know the love of God is active in the person, drawing out what Christ wants in the light, spoken of and healed. This Sunday Jesus invites all of us to find a person we respect and trust, and to end the tyranny of the power of secrets and lies. I promise you when you take this risk with the appropriate person, the presence of God won't be very far away either.

Blessings, Lyn.

Today we welcome to the waters of Baptism **Gretel Claire Passlow**, daughter of John and Nina. We pray that many gifts will flow from this day enriching their lives and all present with deep peace, love and joy. Congratulations and Welcome!

**WORLD
YOUTH
DAY
23 days
to go!**

Homestay meeting

A final meeting will be held in the Parish hall at 7pm on Wednesday, 2nd July with the Homestay Co-ordinator, Anne Hines. It is most important that all homestay hosts attend this meeting. Looking forward to seeing you there.

**A Vocation View
Courage is needed to
speak God's word.
Let no one intimidate
you. God gives you
the power to speak
the truth.** (Matt 10:26-33)

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

Sacraments of Initiation: We ask that you keep our young people, **Jacinta Laird, John-Paul Lillis, Freya McNair, Edwina Ruse and Brigid White** and their families in your prayers especially as they celebrate their First Reconciliation next Saturday, 28th June with Fr Paul Hanna. May they be filled with the love and peace of Jesus. Congratulations!

How sharp the razor's edge when it pierces the skin, yet how much sharper the Word of the Lord when we allow it to pierce our heart.

To skim over the text of today's gospel as mere words escapes the challenge. Is it possible that we have disowned you, Jesus, in the presence of others?

What of my neglected attempts to help the drunk who was unable to get up from the gutter and find his way last evening? What of my failure to accept the invitation to make a donation for my famine-stricken brethren? What of my distortions of the truth in my choice to remain silent? What of my 'sickie' last Monday in order to complete some home chore?

Yes, Lord, it is so easy to bypass those occasions without daily prayer and reflection. (Daily Prayer online)

**Happy
Birthday**
Marion Crowley
for 26th June

**Louise
Noyes**
for 28th
June



Diary Date
**Meet the
Pilgrims**
~Dinner~
Saturday,
12th July,
Imperial
Hotel,
Mt Victoria.

Meditative Prayer
Service using
Scripture and Taizé
music, next Saturday,
28 June at 2pm for
1 hour in the Church.
All welcome.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend away for married couples in peaceful, picturesque surroundings – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule to invest in your most precious asset ... your marriage!
This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love again!

Weekend Dates
4-6 July
Merroo Christian
Centre, Kurrajong.
31 Oct- 2 Nov
Mount Schoenstatt,
Mulgoa.

For details contact:
Margaret and David
Connell
02 9489 4523
Ardell and Bill Sharpe
02 4283 3435
or visit:
www.wwme.org.au

Ordination of Andrew Bass

On Friday 27 June, Bishop Manning will ordain Rev Deacon Andrew Bass as a priest of the Diocese of Parramatta. Everyone is invited to the Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral at 7.30pm. Supper to follow.

Position vacant

Branch Assistant – Centacare Catholic Family Services, based in Parramatta. Duties: reception, service requests, word processing, data entry, cash supervision and team participation. 2 days/week: Thursday & Friday 9am–5pm. Closing date: Friday, 4 July. Details: www.parra.catholic.org.au

Are you a past pupil of St Monica's?

St Monica's Primary School, North Parramatta, is about to embark on an exciting school rebuilding program and is establishing the Past Pupils' Association to help celebrate both the school's 116-year history and the start of this new chapter. For more information tel (02) 9630 3697 or visit: www.stmonicas.parra.catholic.edu.au

Please pray for those who are ill:
**Marjory Cowell, David Finch, Roger Johnstone,
Travis Kingston, Jenny Murdoch, Cec O'Brien,
Irene Peacock, David Ridoutt and Marion Walker.**

PRAYER DAY: Enter into your heart to see what goes on there. The focus of this prayer day draws inspiration from St Augustine's conviction that it is in 'returning to the heart' that we hope to find God. The aim of interiority in the Christian tradition is not only to achieve greater awareness of the true self but also greater awareness of the Other, namely God, and God's presence in others. This prayer day will take place at the -

**Augustinian Centre for Spirituality,
2 Hewitt Ave, Greystanes on
Wednesday 25 June from 9.45am - 3.00pm.
Presenter: Fr Paul Maloney OSA.**

Please bring your own lunch (morning tea and refreshments are provided). Suggested offering for the day - \$15. For bookings, phone the Centre on (02) 9896-6794 or e-mail osapirit@bigpond.com.au