

Jeremiah 23:1-6 I will care for you
Ephesians 2:13-18 Christ brings peace
Mark 6:30-34 Compassion for all

Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.*

Gospel Acclamation: (sung) *Alleluia!*

Servers

23 July Jan Roberts
 30 July Wayne Kelly

Readers

23 July 1st Reading Fiona Evans
 Ps/Intercessions Elizabeth Giddey
 2nd Reading Peter Ticehurst
 30 July 1st Reading Claire Maguire
 Ps/Intercessions Jane Nolan
 2nd Reading Ian Maguire

Ministers of the Eucharist

23 July Monica and Brian Bright
 30 July Marion Crowley and Michelle Davis

Children's Liturgy

23 July Julie Hodgkinson
 30 July Carroll Family

Counters

23 July Robyn and Adrian
 30 July Barbara and Bill

Morning Tea

23 July Helen Chadwick
 30 July Monica Van Horen

Church Care

28 July ~~~~~
 4 Aug Noleen Cliff and Mary Kingston

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta

Boarders' Reunion Dinner Saturday, 16th September
Alumnae Reunion Sunday afternoon, 17th September.
A general school reunion at the College for all former students who left in a year ending with a '6' e.g. 1996.

Please send your details - name (now and nee), postal address, phone number, email, last year of attendance, e.g. 1974/HSC, boarder/non-boarder
 to: Bibby Brooks, Ph: 9683 3300 ~ Fax: 9890 1466
 email: ebrooks@olmc.nsw.edu.au



**Sixteenth
 Sunday Year B**

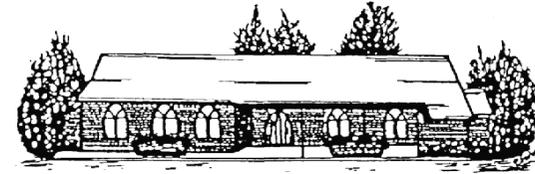
in a nutshell

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, shows tender solicitude for his apostles as they return tired after their missionary journey. He takes them across the lake to a lonely place where they can 'rest for a while,' but the crowd arrives before them. Jesus' solicitude then extends to include the crowd whom he sees as 'sheep without a shepherd'. He taught them all at some length.

NEXT WEEK

Jesus feeds the crowd
2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 144
Ephesians 4:1-6;
John 6:1-15

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. ~

Parish House 4787 8811 Fax: 4787 6143
 Parish Office 4787 8540 email: shbheath@hermes.net.au

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
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
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Friday	4.30 pm
Mount Victoria - 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,

A timely reflection from "Living Faith", last Monday. *'What does justice look like? ... Making justice one's aim leads not to rules and principles but directly to persons. He (Isaiah) tells us to "redress the wronged" – which is quite different from "redress wrongs". "Hear the orphan's plea: listen to a child's heart. "Defend the widow": stand with a vulnerable person. Making justice my aim, then, would bring me closer to people.'* Mary Marrocco

Isn't that what Jesus did?

Blessings, Lyn.

Thank You!

Pat and Barry Leeder thank all parishioners for their continued prayers and support.

"It's a girl!"

Congratulations to Fiona, Wayne and Lachlan Evans on the arrival of their new baby girl born Wednesday at 4.20am.

Happy Birthday



Riley Kiehne for 26 July
Laurie Noyes for 27 July
Ron O'Brien for 28 July

Let us remember in our prayers:

✠ **John Briggs** who died on Wednesday. We ask comfort for Betty and the Briggs' family and friends in their sorrow.

✠ **Bert Carlon** whose anniversary occurs today.

Joan Bently, who is now in Anita Villa. She would, I am sure, appreciate visitors.

Douglas Burns (brother of Kevin Burns) who is in palliative care.

Christian Meditation will continue at St Paul's, Mt Victoria on Wednesdays from 7am–8am, as well as Fridays at 4.30pm in the Parish Meeting room.

Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation:

A Workshop is being conducted in the parish hall by Sister Libby Rogerson from 11.00am to 1.00pm **today**.

Gospel of Mark

Presenter: Fr John McSweeney, Parish Priest of Glenbrook.

This six week course will introduce you to the richness of Mark's Gospel through an understanding of factors within Mark's community that led to this unique portrait of Jesus. This course is intended for anyone with a love of Scripture, and a desire to grow closer to the Jesus of the Gospels.

Date: Wednesday July 26, Aug 2, 9, 23, 30, Sep 6, 2006
Time: 7pm-9pm **Cost:** \$60
Venue: Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.
Bookings Essential: 9831 4911
or e-mail: mh@instituteformission.com.au

'Come away to a lonely place to rest' ... And the people came and were like sheep without a shepherd.

It is good to rest after a busy time; but we are also called to respond, when asked, with generosity and cheerfulness. Kahlil Gibran reminds us to be grateful for those who receive—if they do not accept, how can we give?



Often we set time aside for our lives, only to have Jesus invite us to go to those he sends into our lives. Sometimes we can be resentful, telling ourselves, 'This is my time', only to reflect later that God has given us this time, this skill, this energy to help build the kingdom.

Lord, grant us the gifts of care and compassion. May we use them well in the opportunities that come our way today. *from Daily Prayer online*

ON THE NOTICEBOARD

The Archdiocese of Sydney is seeking applications for the position of **Executive Assistant** to help co-ordinate its local World Youth Day 2008 preparations.

This role is a full-time position and will be based at Clovelly. Applications to:

Manager,

Employment and Staff Development, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, Level 5, 133 Liverpool Street, Sydney 2000 or to anthony.spata@ado.syd.catholic.org.au or mail to:

anthony.spata@ado.syd.catholic.org.au.

Applications close 6 August 2006.

Youth Ministry

Development Officer,
Townsville (warm climate!!)

Youth Worker - Part-Time

(18-24 hours per week) for the Maronite Catholic Youth Ministry, Parramatta.

PARISH YOUTH WORKER

St Patrick's Parish, Blacktown invites interested people to apply for the position of **PART TIME YOUTH WORKER**. (The hours and conditions will be totally negotiated within an interview with individual candidates.)

The successful applicant must have an enthusiasm for working with youth and young adults; possess an ability and rapport with the age group; be a practising Catholic; and have a reasonable flexibility with hours.

Apply in writing with resume attached to Fr Warren Edwards
51-59 Allawah Street,
Blacktown. 2148
email:

fr_warren@hotmail.com

Applications close 4 August.

PARISH FAMILY BUSH BASH Saturday, 30th September

Spit roast, bush dancing, bush verse and sing-a-long.

What can you and/or your family do to add to the fun of the night? Please think about it and maybe prepare a poem, skit, joke or song to perform.