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*Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19 I am with you*  
*1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 Love: supreme gift*  
*Luke 4:21-30 God of all*

**Responsorial Psalm: I will sing of Your salvation, O my God.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Servers**

28 Jan Michelle Davis  
2 Feb Pat Leeder (Mt Vic)  
4 Feb Jan Roberts

**Readers**

28 Jan	1st Reading	Kevin Burns
	Ps/Intercessions	Robyn Burns
	2nd Reading	Anne Broomfield
2 Feb	1st Reader	Catherine Beaver
	2nd Reader	Terry Beaver
4 Feb	1st Reading	Peter Ticehurst
	Ps/Intercessions	Fiona Evans
	2nd Reading	Elizabeth Giddey

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

28 Jan Julie Hodgkinson and Wayne Evans  
4 Feb Monica and Brian Bright

**Children's Liturgy**

28 Jan Children remain in church  
4 Feb Julie Hodgkinson

**Counters**

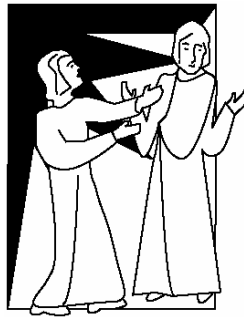
28 Jan Monica  
4 Feb Judith and Frank

**Morning Tea**

28 Jan Carmel Vanney  
4 Feb Monica Van Horen

**Church Care**

2 Feb Pat Waters and Phil Wicks  
9 Feb The Gatt Family



**Fourth Sunday  
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Jesus, prophet of the New Covenant, experienced the same opposition and rejection as the prophets of old. We too are God's prophets taking his word to our world today. God's word challenges us and sometimes rebukes us.

We can expect no greater popularity than Jesus and the earlier prophets had.

Ultimately though, God's truth will prevail. God's truth is unfailing love, as Paul tells us.

**Next Week:**

Co-workers with Jesus  
*Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 137*  
*1 Corinthians 15:1-11;*  
*Luke 5:1-11*

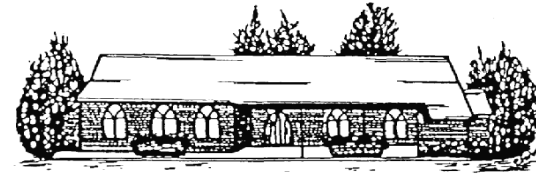
**Love does not come to an end**

Life begins and ends with thoroughgoing faith and love for Jesus Christ. Faith is the beginning, and love is the end; and the union of the two together is God. All that makes for a soul's perfection follows in their train, for nobody who professes faith will commit sin, and nobody who possesses love can feel hatred. As the tree is known by its fruits, so they who claim to belong to Christ are known by their actions...

*Ignatius of Antioch (died c.110)*



# 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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Parish Office 4787 8540 email: shbheath2@bigpond.com

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

<b>Blackheath - Mass</b>	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
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Wednesday (Mt Vic)	7.00 am
	Friday	4.30 pm
Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music	4th Saturday of month	2.00 pm
<b>Mount Victoria - Mass</b>	1st Friday of month	7.00 pm
<b>Megalong Valley - Liturgy of the Word</b>	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,**

Last week we heard 'Jesus proclaim a God who broke the rules set by Judaism.' All are welcome; righteous and sinner alike. You are welcome, not because you've made yourself worthy, not because you're better than others; you are welcome because God loves you - all of you. Jesus' message shocked and scandalized the good, religious people of his time.

If Jesus preached this message in our churches today; what response would he receive? Who would listen and welcome his startling words? Who would be scandalized?

What was your reaction to the present message on St Aidan's Anglican Church billboard?  
**Blessings, Lyn.**

**Emmaus Disabled Persons Catholic Services** is seeking casual evening, overnight and weekend staff as carers within group homes for adults with intellectual disability.

**Desirable:** Certificate 3/4 Disability Studies, Senior First Aid Certificate, Current NSW Driver's Licence.

**Closing Date:** Monday 5 February  
**Contact Person:** Cecily Spradbrow  
Ph: 9831 2826 Fax: 9831 2815  
**Email:** <cecily@emmaus.com.au

The next meeting for **Scripture Teachers** from Blackheath, Megalong and Mt Victoria Schools will be held on **Wednesday, 14th February at 1.30pm in the Meeting Room.**



**Happy Birthday**  
**Jeremy Lillis**

1 year old on 30 January

**Chris Le Gras** for 2nd February  
**Megan Carroll** for 3rd February

**Diary Note:** The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, 17th February.



Please remember in your prayers **Mrs Catherine McFarlane**, Fr Ron's mother, who died recently.

The YCW is organizing a Harbour Cruise for young adults in the Diocese, as a fundraiser for our services which assist young workers, refugees and migrants. We would like to extend an invitation to the young adults of the parish.

**You are invited to the YCW Saint Patrick's Day Harbour Cruise.**  
**All young adults (18-30yrs) are welcome to come in their best greenery.**  
**Enjoy a 4 hour cruise with finger food, DJ and lucky door prizes.**  
**Date: Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup> 2007.**  
**Cost: \$45/\$40 (concessionion).**  
**Book by: March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2007.**

Places limited. Proceeds go towards running services to assist young workers, refugees and migrants. Please contact Sharmila on 9682 6719 or 0416 126 005 to make a booking.

**Mass at Mt Victoria**  
7pm, Friday 2nd February.  
All welcome.

The Blackheath Conference of St Vincent de Paul will meet on Tuesday, 6th February at 3.30pm in the Meeting Room.

We welcome to the waters of baptism this morning, **Katrina and David's daughter, Ellie Rose Molla.** May the blessings of this special day bring the family much happiness.

**PALMS WANTED**  
The 21st February is **ASH WEDNESDAY** which commences the Lenten Season. On Ash Wednesday we receive ashes to remind us we are entering a season of prayer and fasting in preparation for the joyous feast of Easter. The ashes we receive on Ash Wednesday are made from the palms we receive on Palm Sunday the previous year.

On Sunday 4th February and Sunday 11th February I will be collecting as many palms as possible - so if you could return your palm from last year on either of these two Sundays I would appreciate it. Thank you.

*Michelle Davis.*

**Mass of the Sacred Heart - Irene O'Connor**  
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**Holy, Holy, Holy,**  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full,  
are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the Highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the Highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna!

**Acclamation**  
Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life.  
Come, Lord Jesus, in glory,  
O come, Lord, come.

**Church Care** rosters are now available at the back of the church. Please collect your copy.

**Employment and Training Officer**  
**World Youth Day 2008**  
World Youth Day 2008 is seeking applications for the position of Employment and Training Officer. This role is a full time position and will conclude in August 2008. Based in the Polding Centre, Sydney. Applications to: Manager, Employment and Staff Development, Level 5, Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool Street, Sydney NSW 2000 or to employment@wyd2008.org. Applications close 9 February 2007. Enquires to Anthony Spata on 02 9390 5317. Please see noticeboard for further details.

**Church Care helpers wanted.** Would you be able to spare an hour or so every 10 weeks (5 times a year) to keep our church looking its best? If so, we would like to include you on the roster. Please see Mary Kingston after mass today.