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**Acts 3:13-15,17-19 God raised him
1 John 2:1-5 Christ our advocate
Luke 24:35-48 You are witnesses**

Responsorial Psalm: (sung)

Lord, let Your face shine on us.

Gospel Acclamation: (sung) **Alleluia! (x4)**

The right hand of God raised me up

The hand of the Lord has triumphed.

I shall never die, I shall live telling his deeds.

Servers

30 Apr Ray Wood
5 May Pat Leeder (*Mt Victoria*)
7 May Pat Leeder

Readers

30 Apr 1st Reading Catherine Beaver
Ps/Intercessions Wayne Evans
2nd Reading Terry Beaver
5 May 1st Reader Catherine Beaver
2nd Reader Terry Beaver
7 May 1st Reading Anne Broomfield
Ps/Intercessions Kevin Burns
2nd Reading Robyn Burns

Ministers of the Eucharist

30 Apr Heather Carroll and Diana Landsberg
7 May Julie Hodgkinson and Wayne Evans

Children's Liturgy

30 Apr Frances Huckstepp
7 May Christa Buckley

Counters

30 Apr Judith and Frank Mackrell
7 May Julie and Lance Hodgkinson

Morning Tea

30 Apr Helen Chadwick
7 May Robyn Burns

Church Cleaning

5 May Betty Zeman and Jan Barnier
12 May Noeleen Cliff and Mary Kingston

St Vincent de Paul Society

The Blackheath Conference will meet this Tuesday, 2 May at 3.30pm in the Meeting Room.

NEXT WEEK

The good shepherd
Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 117; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18



**Third Sunday
of Easter Year B**

30 April 2006

When Jesus appears in the midst of his disciples they cannot believe the evidence of their own eyes.

Jesus convinces them by showing the wounds of his crucifixion and inviting the disciples to touch him.

He opened their minds to understand what was written about him in the Scriptures.

Jesus stands in our midst today; he opens the Scriptures to us and feeds us with his Bread.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

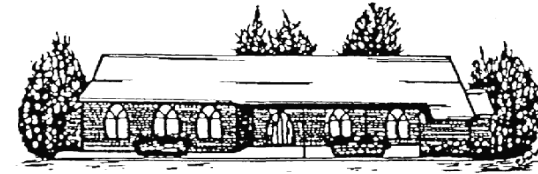
✠ **Herbert Johnstone**

~ 3rd May

✠ **John Johnstone**

~ 3rd May

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@telapacific.com.au

Dear Friends,

This year the Dominic Family celebrates 800 years. In 1206 at Prouilhe, near Toulouse, Dominic established a convent of women, mostly converts from Albigensian heresy. Saturday was the feast of Catherine of Siena, whom we consider our co-founder. One snippet of Catherine's writings is this: "You, eternal Trinity are the artist, and I your handiwork have come to know that you are in love with the beauty of what you have made." (Dialogue 167) May we come to know this love God has for each of us. **Blessings, Lyn.**

Following World Day of Prayer

And the enthusiastic reaction of all the church groups, with responses like *we ought to do this more often...* I am wondering if there is any support/enthusiasm for another, **lower key** gathering of the local churches during the Week of Prayer for Christian unity – 28 May - 4 June... possibly on the Friday? The theme of the week is "Where two or three are gathered in my name. I am there among them". Matt 18.20. Could anyone interested meet with me after Mass for a few minutes to get some indication of interest, or add your name to the notice. Thank you. **Sr Lyn**

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.

Reflection Morning

The sisters of Charity invite you to a morning of quiet reflection and prayer to be held at 227 The Mall, Leura, on Saturday 13th May, from 10am to 12 noon. Phone 4784 2055. Theme: **Receiving the Spirit for our own lives, the Paschal Mystery.**



Thank you: Caritas Australia would like to Thank You for supporting Project Compassion. If you still have a box or envelopes, please bring them back next week.

The "Parish to Parish for Bed & Breakfast" book is now available - This latest Edition has over 100 homes in NZ and 23 in Australia where Catholics can enjoy great hospitality at the reasonable price of \$25 a night for one person, and \$40 a night for two persons sharing a room. To order your copy - phone Marie Anderson on 0011 64-3-3595541 or by sending a cheque for \$18 (which includes postage) with your name and address to:

Marie Anderson, 2 Brent Place, Christchurch, 8005 New Zealand

Mass at Mount Victoria this Friday, 5th May at 7pm. All welcome.

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS (Composer: Roc O'Connor, S.J.)

**Lift up your hearts to the Lord, in praise of His mercy!
Sing out your joy to the Lord; His love is enduring.**

**Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth! Praise the glory of His name!
Say to God "How wondrous Your works, how glorious Your name!"**

**Let the earth worship, singing Your praise. Praise the glory of Your name!
Come and see the deeds of the Lord! Come, worship His name!**

**Listen now, all you servants of God, as I tell of His great works.
Blessed be the Lord of my life! His love shall endure!**

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, 13th May 8am - 10am.

Come along and enjoy good company and great food especially, Ken's "eggs in pastry rings" among other delicacies.

Special Guest Speaker - Barry Roberts

'Wallaby and Waratah 50's and 60's - Mateship'

To assist with catering, please RSVP Christa Buckley 4787 5105 by 7th May.

**CURSILLO: 'A LITTLE COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY'
"Mount Schoenstatt" Retreat Centre - Fairlight Road, Mulgoa
Friday Evening 9th to Monday Evening 12th June 2006**

We invite you to experience a rare opportunity in the beautiful grounds of Mount Schoenstatt Retreat Centre to further discover the richness of God's love in Christian and personal growth. The three days provide an enjoyable and enriching experience offering you an effective way of living out your Adult Catholic Faith. Further information from: St Joseph's Presbytery, Moorebank on 9602 1083.

~VISION YOUTH LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST~

An invitation to youth leaders, coordinators, youth teams, movements, teachers, and all involved in ministry with young people, to our second VISION YOUTH LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST

with a presentation from the World Youth Day team on

"THE VISION OF WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008 and BEYOND"

DATE: Saturday, 27th May **TIME: 8.30am - 10.30am**

VENUE: St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta

RSVP: Tuesday, 22nd May.

(RSVP is essential for catering purposes) For more information, please contact the Youth and Young Adult Apostolate: Phone: **8838 3419 or 8838 3418**
Email: youth@parra.catholic.org.au