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**Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 A splendid vision**  
**2 Peter 1:16-19 We saw his glory**  
**Mark 9:2-10 Jesus transfigured**

**Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is King, the most high over all the earth.**

**Gospel Acclamation: (sung) Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Word of Truth and Life.**

**Servers**

6 Aug Diane Stewart  
13 Aug Ray Wood

**Readers**

6 Aug 1st Reading Wayne Evans  
Ps/Intercessions Julie Hodgkinson  
2nd Reading Steve Gauci  
13 Aug 1st Reading Gerard Nolan  
Ps/Intercessions Pat Waters  
2nd Reading Jennifer Ticehurst

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

6 Aug Norma Longmuir and Diana Landsberg  
13 Aug Heather Carroll and Pat Leeder

**Children's Liturgy**

6 Aug Bettina Le Gras  
13 Aug Carol Drummond

**Counters**

6 Aug Christa and David  
13 Aug Robyn and Kevin

**Morning Tea**

6 Aug Robyn Burns  
13 Aug Dulcie Davis

**Church Care**

11 Aug Sue Gracey and Barbara Grieves  
18 Aug Peter and Jennifer Ticehurst

**Christ's presence celebrated** The feast of the Transfiguration found a great deal of resonance in us. We look upon it above all as the celebration of that presence of Christ which takes charge of everything in us and transfigures even that which disturbs us about ourselves. God penetrates those hardened, incredulous, even disquieting regions within us, about which we really do not know what to do. He penetrates them with the life of his Spirit, and when he penetrates them he acts upon those regions and gives them his face. He traverses them to give them his face – he transfigures. Brother Roger of Taizé (1915-2005)



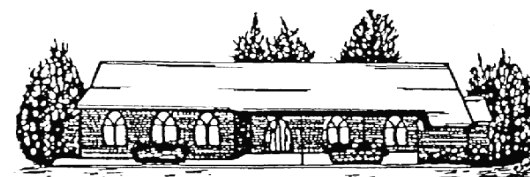
**The Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday Year B**

**Jesus is manifested in glory on the mount before his favoured disciples, Peter, James and John. The presence of Moses and Elijah points to Jesus being the fulfilment of the Law and the Prophets. Moreover, the voice of the Father testifies: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Peter wants to remain in this moment of glory but Jesus warns that the Passion is soon to follow.**

**NEXT WEEK**

**Bread from heaven**  
*1 Kings 19:4-8;*  
*Psalm 33*  
*Ephesians 4:30-5:2;*  
*John 6:41-51*

# 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
Prayer of the Church	Friday	9.00 am
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Wednesday	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,

I heard or read that at every gathering of Eucharist we should ask "Who is missing?" The answer can challenge us on a large scale as well as at the level of our immediate community. The question is asked not out of inquisitiveness, but of concern. Many of us tend to sit in the same area, if not the same seat each Sunday. I invite you to look around and become conscious of who is and who is **not** present, especially if missing for a couple of weeks. They may well be taking a holiday, but it may be that they are not well and would appreciate a visit or have Communion taken to them. It would be wonderful to have a Pastoral Care Ministry, and I'd be delighted to take names of those interested, but in the meantime, please draw my attention to anyone you may be concerned about.

**Blessings, Lyn.**

**The Parish website is now in the public domain** and our thanks to Pat Drummond for all the hours of work and skill he has put into it. There is still more information and pictures to be added. Do check it out.

Should you not want your photo or that of family members to appear, please let Sr Lyn or Pat know. The web address is -  
<http://www.keepersoftheflame.net/SacredHeartParish/index.html>

**CARDINAL MURPHY-O'CONNOR**, Archbishop of Westminster, will be giving a public lecture - "*Belief and Belonging Today*" - in Sydney on Sunday, August 27th from 2pm to 4pm at Scots Church Auditorium on the corner of Margaret and York Streets in Sydney. Entry: \$25. All welcome! (Information: Sr Clare on [Sandra@aquinas-academy.com](mailto:Sandra@aquinas-academy.com) or phone: 9247 4651.

**A VOCATION VIEW:** To taste and see the goodness of the Lord means to be drawn closer to God. "Try, then, to imitate God as children of His that He loves, and follow Christ by loving as He loved you." Be a presence of God's love in the world today. Do what you can to bring to life God's love.

Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died:  
**Peter O'Donnell**, former Blackheath butcher (Funeral here at Blackheath) and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:  
**Flo Gillette** - 7 August; and **Maurie Byron** - 7 August.

**Important In-Service Days for Catechists:** A new program "*Christ our Light and Life*" will be introduced in all schools in the Parramatta Diocese next year and CCD will provide support for all Catechists. There will be a series of In-service days to introduce the new curriculum as well as practical use - planning and implementing lessons. The first of these and the closest is on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 10.00am to 1.00pm at Leura** and repeated at **Springwood that evening 6.30pm to 9.30pm. Please RSVP by Friday 11th August to Maree at CCD on 9890 4731 or let Noleen Cliff know by Thursday, 10th August.**

### PARRAMATTA INSTITUTE FOR MISSION

#### Certificate in Pastoral FORMation 2007

A one year part-time course for all who desire to deepen their Faith and enhance their participation in Parish Pastoral Ministry. A holistic approach to adult faith formation in the following areas of:

#### **Spirituality; Scripture; Theology; Ministry.**

This course is usually held in Blacktown but in 2007, provided there are at least 18 participants, the venue will be Lawson or Glenbrook and times will also be negotiated. **You will find brochures as an insert in the bulletin today and I encourage each of you to seriously consider the possibility of participating. Contact Sr Lyn.**

**HEALING LIFE'S HURTS:** A nine week group for men and women exploring forgiveness as a path to personal growth. *Have you experienced disappointments, neglect or abuse by a significant other? Are you feeling burdened by negative feelings? Do you feel stuck and are not sure how to move forward?* This group is for men and women who have suffered any kind of emotional wound, small or large. The group will provide a supportive atmosphere and strict confidentiality. Topics/issues covered will include:

- \* Caring for yourself;
- \* Making your emotions work for you;
- \* The difference between forgiveness and reconciliation;
- \* Forgiveness as a path to personal growth;
- \* Moving forward.

Dates: 9 consecutive Wednesdays, beginning 23rd August 2006  
Time: 10am to 12.30pm.  
Venue: Parish House, St Bernadette's Church, 367 Old Northern Road, Castle Hill.  
Cost: \$10/session (fee can be reduced for those with financial difficulty)  
Facilitators: Angie, Richard and Bernadette (professionally qualified Relationship & Family Counsellors)

If this strikes a chord for you but you are not sure if you would find it beneficial, call Richard to find out more about the group and if it is for you.



Please pray for **Rosemary Davis** who is unwell.

Thank you for your prayers for **John Speers** (Cathy Cavanagh's nephew). John is now in remission.

Caritas Australia Middle East Crisis Appeal to support victims of the current conflict. To make a donation phone 1800 024 413.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

*Mary Forster* for today  
*Maree Crawford* for today  
*Anne-Marie Bland* for 7th August  
*Adrian Carroll* for 10 August  
*Marie Johnston* for 10 August