

*Ezekiel 2:2-5 I am sending you  
2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Weakness no obstacle  
Mark 6:1-6 Jesus rejected*

**Responsorial Psalm: *Our eyes are fixed on the Lord; pleading for his mercy.***

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

**Servers**

9 July Ray Wood  
16 July Pat Leeder

**Readers**

9 July 1st Reading Robyn Burns  
Ps/Intercessions Anne Broomfield  
2nd Reading Kevin Burns  
16 July 1st Reading Terry Beaver  
Ps/Intercessions Catherine Beaver  
2nd Reading Wayne Evans

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

9 July Heather Carroll and Diana Landsberg  
16 July Julie Hodgkinson and Wayne Evans

**Children's Liturgy**

9 July Frances Huckstepp  
16 July To be announced

**Counters**

9 July Judith and Frank  
16 July Julie and Lance

**Morning Tea**

9 July Marion Crowley  
16 July Marie Johnston

**Church Care**

14 July Michelle Funnell and Tony Perriam  
21 July Robyn and Kevin Burns

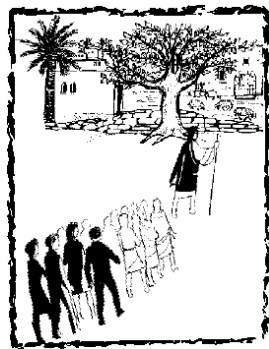


**Fr Joe Rheinberger**, Vicar General of the Archdioceses of Canberra and Goulburn, died suddenly in his sleep last weekend. A Requiem Mass will be held at Saint Christopher's Cathedral on Monday, 10th July at 11am followed by burial in the Bega Cemetery.

**NEXT WEEK**

**The Twelve sent**  
*Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 84; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13*

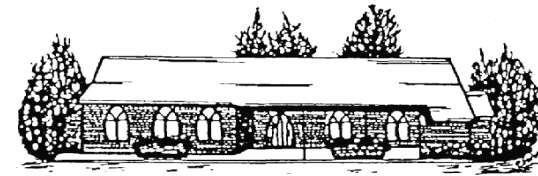
**July 11 is the feast of St Benedict** (c. 480-547), Father of Western Monasticism and co-patron of Europe. Let's pray especially for Pope Benedict XVI on Tuesday.



**Fourteenth Sunday Year B**

When Jesus preached in his hometown of Nazareth, most people were astonished and asked: 'Where did this man get all this wisdom, these miracles? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary.' And they would not accept him. Jesus responded sorrowfully: 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations.' Do we deserve this rebuke also? Do we really accept Jesus in faith?

# 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

**Blackheath**

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| 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**

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| Christian Meditation (one hour) | Every Wednesday     | 7.00 am |
| Mass                            | 1st Friday of month | 7.00 pm |

**Megalong Valley**

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| Liturgy of the Word | 1st Friday of month | 9.00 am |
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**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

### 'My grace is sufficient for you.'

Grief bows me down inside; depression causes my head to droop; I cover tear-filled eyes with my hands. These are natural, but downward responses. Yes! Sorrow and brokenness are part of our lives. Every person is shaped by some of these experiences, at some time. As Paul says, we are given a thorn in our hearts.

This prayer invites us to lift our spirits, to raise our eyes and to step out, beyond the miseries. Certainly, ask for some strength, but be ready to acknowledge the sufficiency of Christ's grace.

Time and again, Jesus stepped out of his culturally appropriate role and spoke words of solace to those who were crushed in spirit.

Lord God, I ask for the grace to lift up the eyes of my inner self, so that I can step beyond my troubles. And then I can speak of the endless love offered by Christ.  
*from Daily Prayer online*

**Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation:** Enclosed with today's Bulletin is a leaflet relating to *JPIC - Justice Peace and Integrity of Creation*. This leaflet is intended as background reading in preparation for the workshop being conducted in the parish hall by Sister Libby Rogerson from 11.00am to 1.00pm on Sunday, 23 July. All parishioners are encouraged to attend and stay for a "bring a plate lunch" .

**Parish Garden Project:** Thanks to those parishioners who braved the cold last Sunday to contribute ideas to the redevelopment of the garden and retaining wall in front of the parish hall. Based on the ideas gathered, Sean has kindly offered to draw up some preliminary plans. These will be put to the parish some time in the next few weeks for comment.

### Blue Mountains Refugee Support Group BOOK SALE ~ ALL DAY

**Saturday and Sunday,  
15th and 16th July**  
Faulconbridge Public School,  
Grose Rd off G W H'way.  
**Book donations welcome.**  
Please ph Bern on 4787 5546.

### Aware of my weakness - A teenager writes:

Heroes do something extraordinary but they are still themselves. My hero is Jesse Martin who at fifteen travelled around the world solo in a yacht. He faced isolation, wild raging water and storms. He did the most heroic thing a fifteen-year-old could do, he followed his heart and his heart was in sailing.

Speaking as a sixteen-year-old, I never followed my heart; I followed the crowd. Hearing about Jesse allowed me to live a dream, to try something by myself, to take a stand for what's in my heart, not someone else's. My heart is not in sailing; my heart isn't as adventurous as that. But my heart is following a journey to find inspiration.



### Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

requires the services of a  
**Part-time Office Assistant**  
(4 hours a week)

**Duties:** General office duties will include filing, updating and modifying existing parish records, operating photocopier and fax machines.

#### Essential requirements:

Sound computer literacy: knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel.  
Applicants should include a CV and contact details of 2 Referees.

*Applications and enquiries to:*  
Sr Lyn Eastmure, Pastoral Director.  
Tel: 4787 8540 (Parish Office),  
18 Inconstant St, Blackheath. 2785  
*Applications close Friday, 28 July.*

### Spirituality in the Pub "Equality in an Unequal World"

Guest Speakers:  
**Mr Shan Ali**  
**Dr Sabine Erika**

Come along to the Gardner's Inn Hotel on Wednesday, 12th July from 7.30pm to 9.00pm.  
For further information contact Elizabeth Giddey on 4787 6198.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Wentworthville** is celebrating fifty years of Carmelite Ministry. Carmelite Provincial Fr Wayne Stanhope OCarm will be principal celebrant at Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Sunday, 16 July at 10:30a.m. Lunch and festivities will follow in the church/school grounds. Contact the parish office for further enquiries on 9631 8302.



### GOD'S POWER REVEALED

I prefer to own in all simplicity that he who is mighty has done great things for me; and the greatest of these is that he has shown me my own littleness and how incapable I am of anything good.  
**St Therese (1873-1897)**

The Lord has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me. (**2 Corinthians 12:9-10**)

**Happy Birthday**  
**Irene Peacock for today**  
**Robyn Carroll for**  
**10 July**



### 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  
email: fr\_warren@hotmail.com  
51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. 2148  
**Applications close 4 August 2006**