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2Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14 **Hope in God**
2Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 **God is faithful**
Luke 20:27-38 **God of the living**

Psalm response
Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.
Alleluia, Alleluia!



Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

6th November 2016

The seven brothers in today's first reading trusted that God would bring them through death into life if they remained faithful to the Law of Moses.

The Sadducees ridiculed the idea of the resurrection of the dead, trying to trap Jesus by appealing to the Law of Moses. Jesus goes to the heart of the matter: for God all people are alive.

Do we believe that God is faithful?

Servers

6 Nov Jan Roberts
13 Nov Ray Wood

Readers

6 Nov 1st Reading Christa Buckley
2nd Reading Pat Wicks
Intercessions Adrian Carroll
13 Nov 1st Reading Christine Helby
2nd Reading Claire Maguire
Intercessions Patricia Dee

Communion

6 Nov Monica and Brian Bright
13 Nov Diana Stewart and Grahame Adams

Counters

6 Nov Marilyn
13 Nov Laurie

Morning Tea

6 Nov Claire Maguire
13 Nov Rasa Blansjaar

Church Care

11 Nov Margaret Solomons and Cathy McNamara

St Paul's Mt Victoria & St Joseph's Megalong Valley

Entrance Antiphon:
Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.
Communion Antiphon:
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

Feast Days of the Week Sunday 6th Nov to Saturday 12th Nov

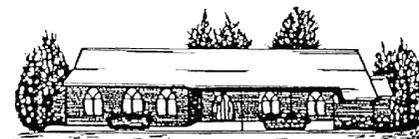
6th St Leonard of Noblac, Hermit
7th St Englebert, Bishop & Martyr (1185-1225)
8th Bl. John Duns Scotus, Priest (1265-1308)
9th Dedication of St John's Lateran Archbasilica (324)
10th St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor, Memorial (C400-461)
11th St Martin of Tours, Bishop (315-397), Memorial Armistice Day WW1
12th St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr (1580-1623)

Next Week: **Endurance will triumph** Mal 3:19-20; Psalm 97; 2Thes 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19

In memoriam:

Lewis Hodgkinson ~ 7th November; **Melanie Hinklemann** ~ 9th November

Sacred Heart Parish



Sacred Heart Church ~ Blackheath
Saint Paul's Church ~ Mount Victoria
Saint Joseph's Church ~ Megalong Valley

We respectfully acknowledge the Darug and Gundungurra people, the traditional custodians of the land of the Blue Mountains.

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.

Parish Priest: Father Bob Sheridan **Office hours:** Wed 1.00pm - 4.00pm
Parish House: 02 4787 8811 Thu 9.00am - 12.00pm
Parish Mobile: 04 2887 8810 Fri 9.00am - 12.00pm
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Parish House: 18 Inconstant St, Blackheath.
Sacred Heart Church: 167 Wentworth St, Blackheath.

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

Blackheath - Mass	Sunday	9.30am
Evening Mass	Tuesday	6.30pm
Morning Mass	Wednesday, Friday and Saturday	9.00am
	Thursday	8.00am
Benediction	2nd Saturday after 9.00am Mass	
Exposition	All other Saturdays after 9.00am Mass	
Reconciliation	Saturdays	9.30am
Healing Mass	1st Saturday of the month	9.00am
Mount Victoria - Vigil Mass	1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays	6.00pm
Megalong Valley - Vigil Mass	2nd and 4th Saturdays	6.00pm

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 4th Thursday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to Fr Bob or David Buckley (Chair); Adrienne Kitching (Deputy Chair) or Carmen Beard (Secretary).

Sacred Heart Care Group: Monica Bright 4757 3943

BULLETIN ITEMS: Please contact the Parish Office on Wednesday or Thursday during office hours on 4787 8540 or email shbheath2@bigpond.com

POPE'S JUBILEE FOR PRISONERS: Today has been set aside throughout the world by Pope Francis, within the Jubilee Holy Year of Mercy, as a time of grace, prayer, forgiveness and compassion extended to all prisoners. Our Prayers of the Faithful particularly focus our attention on the plight of prisoners everywhere. We are also encouraged to personally pray for prisoners and, to this end, I have reprinted a supplied appropriate prayer, as follows:

"God, our Creator, we acknowledge our ancestors and original owners of this land. Maker and Spirit of earth and all creation, let your love possess our land, and may we share in faith and friendship and all your gifts. We pray for all those in our prisons and those, who through sickness, addictions and other reasons live in their personal prisons.

We remember and pray for those who seek to change difficult life stories.

We remember and pray for the victims of crime on the outside.

We remember and pray for the countless victims of crime on the inside.

We remember and pray for the whole criminal justice system and its processes.

Keep all of us ever mindful of your great love, so that we may always remember you as a God of Mercy and forgiveness. Amen."

THE CLOSING OF THE HOLY DOOR: The closing of the Holy Door in St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta is to take place next Sunday, 13 November, from 4.30pm - 7.00pm.

Dinner will also be available for purchase. Should you be interested in attending this unique event, please speak to one of our Parish Councillors or me to finalise the necessary arrangements.

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Known also as 'Poppy Day' - the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. Remembrance Day this year falls next Friday. The Blackheath 9.00am Mass will feature the love, courage and personal cost to so many people that World War I exacted on our fledgling nation - and our own community. We will be actively involved in the 11.00am commemorative service to be held at Blackheath War Memorial, both through the laying of a wreath and our pastoral involvement in proceedings. This is a personal invitation to you to be there and share in this never-to- be-forgotten reflection. Lest we forget!

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS DAYS: Attending numbers for both days' Masses were, overall, quite good. This particularly applied to the early Tuesday All Saints 9.00am Mass where in excess of twenty five parishioners were present. While on this subject, a gentle reminder to you that the Remembrance Book is once again in position near the baptismal font for you to list the names of your departed loved ones. We do this so that our community may honour them in our prayers throughout November. Additionally, should you so desire, you could place their name in the basket provided in front of the altar, there to remain until the end of the month. Blank cards for this purpose will be available next to the Remembrance Book. Again, special envelopes will be available for those wanting to have individual Masses celebrated in honour of deceased loved ones.

DIOCESAN WORKS FUND (DWF): The DWF supports the ministry and agency services of the Catholic Church in the Parramatta Diocese. This collection will take place next Sunday, 13 November. However large or small, your contribution will be most valuable in supporting our Diocesan ministries and charitable works. Thank you in advance for your help! **God Bless! Father Bob**

BLACKHEATH REFLECTION MORNING

The next Catalyst for Renewal Reflection Morning will take place on Saturday, 19 Nov, 10am-1pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. **Loretta Brinkman** will lead the morning - **Between the Lines: Take some time to open the pages of your own story and discover the mystery of you.** Loretta is the Director of Mission at St Joseph's Hospital, Auburn. Enquiries to Carmel 0417 474 850.

The next DWF collections will be held on 13 and 20 November.

Last Week's Collections Thank You!

1st: \$150.00 Pastoral Revenue (support of the Bishop and Diocesan Priests both active & retired)
2nd: \$600.65 (incl. direct deposits)
This money is used for local parish needs.



CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE - Tickets will be available **SOON** for your chance to win fabulous prizes in our annual fundraising Christmas hamper raffle. This year, we have an extra prize of a \$150 hamper which was donated. Tickets will be \$2.00 each. See Sue Gracey for more information.

Happy Birthday **David Caplice** for 10 November

Prayers for the sick and their carers: **Madge Boylan; Margaret Clancy; John Crowley; Stan Dochniak; Bill Grieves; Kevin Madden; John Scott & Jack Solomons.**

MERCY CROSS AND RELICS COME TO THE BLUE MOUNTAINS DEANERY: TODAY at St Thomas Aquinas Church, Hawkesbury Rd, Winmalee.

- 12.30pm **Family Picnic Lunch** at St Thomas Aquinas, Winmalee.
- 2.30pm **Concert ~ Pat Drummond**
- 4.00pm **Procession of Cross and Relics** with a special Station representing each Parish in the Deanery.

A special historical display of Sacred Heart Blackheath, St Paul's Mt Victoria and St Joseph's Megalong Valley will be featured. We are hoping for a large representation from Blackheath, Mt Victoria and Megalong Valley at today's celebrations in Winmalee.

Bringing Laudato Si' to Life From Vision to Action: 10 Nov With Fr Sean McDonagh SSC,

Irish eco-theologian and Columban missionary, who will contribute to bringing the vision of Pope Francis' encyclical letter Laudato Si' to life and action in churches and the wider community, in dialogue with other faiths and with environmentalists.
Time: 6pm for 6.30pm start - finishes at 8.30pm, FREE. Australian Catholic University, Gleeson Auditorium, Barker Rd, Strathfield.
For further info, contact Anne Lanyon. on 02 9352 8000. RSVP by 7 Nov. admin.cmi@columban.org.au