

13 Mar

20 Mar Morning Tea

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18 Mar

Church Care

Isaiah 43:16-21 A new deed **Philippians 3:8-14** Christ my prize John 8:1-11 Not condemned

## Psalm Response

The Lord has done great things for us and we are filled with joy.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus. Praise and honour. Lord Iesus Christ. With all your heart turn to me. for I am tender and compassionate. Praise...

Servers		
13 Mar	Jan Roberts	
20 Mar	Ray Wood	
Readers		
13 Mar	1st Reading	Lillis Family
	2nd Reading	Lillis Family
	Intercessions	John Woodward
20 Mar	1st Reading	Monica Bright
	2nd Reading	Brian Bright
	Intercessions	Marilyn Rowe
Ministers of	f the Eucharist	
13 Mar	Elizabeth Doolan and Diana Landsberg	
20 Mar	Michelle Davis and Peter Gale	
Counters		



Fifth Sunday of Lent Year C

#### 13th March 2016

There are many sinners in today's parable. The scribes and Pharisees act with malice towards Jesus, hoping to condemn him, while the woman caught in adultery provides a convenient pretext. Jesus sees through their hypocrisy and doesn't play their game. When pressed, he challenges them to look at themselves. Confronted with their own sinfulness. they slink away. Jesus condemns nobody, but asks that we don't sin anymore.

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

**Entrance Antiphon:** Give me justice. O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Communion Antiphon: We pray, almighty God, that we may always be counted among the members of Christ, in whose Body and Blood we have communion.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### Feast Days for this week! Sunday 20th March to Saturday 26th March

Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons

20th St Wulfran, Bishop (d720)

Laurie

Carla and Neil

Christine Burke

Ian Roberts

21st St Nicholas of Flue, hermit (Patron of Switzerland 1417-1487)

22nd St Lea of Rome. Widow (d384)

23rd St Richard of Chichester, Bishop (1197-1253)

24th Blessed Archbishop Oscar Romero, Martyr (1917-1980)

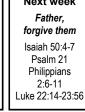
25th Good Friday

St Dismas, Crucified Good Thief (d33)

Blessed Francesco Face Di Bruno, Priest (1825-1888)

# Next week

Father, forgive them



# 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

(Emergency only) For Baptisms, Marriages, & sick calls

**Parish Office**: 02 4787 8540 contact Parish House.

Facsimile: 02 4787 6143 e-mail: shbheath2@bigpond.com

> 18 Inconstant St. Blackheath. Parish House: 167 Wentworth St. Blackheath. Sacred Heart Church:

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** 

To better help you in your planning of Easter and associated holidays, I have listed below all Holy Week and Easter Services/Masses as they apply to our Parish from Palm Sunday to the week following Easter.

20th Mar	9.30am PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord	
23rd Mar	7.30pm <b>Chrism Mass</b> (Parramatta) - where we collect the Sacred Oils for Parish use over the next year	
24th Mar	7.30pm HOLY THURSDAY ~ Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (Altar of Repose quiet time concludes at 9.30pm)	
25th Mar	<ul> <li>GOOD FRIDAY</li> <li>10.00am Stations of the Cross (Sacred Heart Blackheath)</li> <li>10.00am Ecumenical Service at St Joseph's Megalong Valley (social activities to follow)</li> <li>3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord (Sacred Heart Blackheath)</li> <li>5.00pm Sunset Liturgy at Mt Blackheath (departs Sacred Heart Blackheath)</li> </ul>	
26th Mar	HOLY SATURDAY 1.00pm To Walls Cave to collect water for the Easter Vigil Mass 7.00pm The Easter Vigil Mass and associated Liturgy	
27th Mar	<ul> <li>EASTER SUNDAY</li> <li>5.00am Sunrise Liturgy at George Phillips Lookout, Govett's Leap</li> <li>7.00am Mass at St Paul's, Mt Victoria</li> <li>9.30am Mass at Sacred Heart, Blackheath</li> <li>11.30am Mass at St Joseph's, Megalong Valley</li> </ul>	

(Please note that Fr Paul Hanna is this year unable to share our Easter Masses/ Liturgies.)

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION: Will be available this Wednesday evening (16th March) from 7.00pm. I. alone, will officiate. Every sin, in one way or another, has a community dimension. It is something that tarnishes the Body of Christ, which together we are. Every sin ought to arouse in us feelings of humble regret and a confident request for pardon. Hence this open invitation to you to attend!

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY: Sunday next (20th March), the 6th Sunday of Lent. is Passion/Palm Sunday at which Mass palms will be distributed to each parishioner. This will follow an entry procession and blessing of palms at the beginning of Mass. Holy Week commences with Passion Sunday and will continue through the last days of Lent and the Easter Triduum.

**WEEK AFTER EASTER:** Kindly note that there will be no Masses after Easter in our Parish until Friday, 1st April, when I will once again return to the 'fold'. Apologies for that!

**FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION:** Because of the fall of Holy Week and Easter, especially Good Friday, the Feast of the Annunciation will be transferred this year to Monday, 4th April, the day after Divine Mercy Sunday.

God Bless! Father Bob



## Fifth Sunday of Lent





Before enrolling in a Community Health Program young midwife Sreymom lacked experience. Now, she is a trusted midwife, helping to improve the health of indigenous women and children in her region in Cambodia. Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help healthcare workers in

isolated areas of Cambodia gain vital training to improve the health and wellbeing of the region's indigenous women and children.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion 1800 024 413

We wish our dear Father Bob a very Happy Birthday ~ 83 on 16th March!

## **Catalyst Reflection Morning** Saturday 19th March

in the Parish Hall from 10am to 1pm. *Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ* will lead the reflection on *Pove Francis' Encyclical* Laudato Si' - On Care for Our Common Home.

Morning tea provided, entry by donation and no need to book. All very welcome.

Enquiries to Carmel on 0417 474 850.

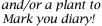
~ RAFFLE ~

BRAND NEW **Premium Beefmaster** 4 Burner Built-in BBO valued at \$699 with new trolley valued at \$249. All funds raised will go the Parish. Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5.



This year we will be having a CAKE and PLANT STALL on Easter Sunday,

27 March. We are asking our wonderful parishioners to support us and bring along a cake and/or a plant to sell.





~ In memoriam ~ **Pete Juhas** ~ 14 March Mary Potts ~ 17 March

In memory - Judy Harris (8th March 2014) - Remembering your 'Goodbye Day". We love and miss you so much! (Lyn Sutcliffe, Judy's family and many friends at Sacred Heart)

Cosmology Spirituality Morning: The next Cosmology Spirituality morning will be held at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Rd, Wentworth Falls on 18th March, 10am till noon. Chapter 19 of The Cosmic Mystique will be the subject of discussion. Morning prayer and a time of silence as well as morning tea will be part of the program. Enquiries: Sr Jacinta 4757 2290

Please pray for the sick and their carers: Sharon Booth; Stan Dochniak; Frank Farsaci; Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP; Kevin Madden and Jack Solomons.

To add someone's name to the list for 'Prayers for the sick', please email the Parish Office: shbheath2@bigpond.com