

Proverbs 8:22-31 Wisdom of God Romans 5:1-5 Faith, hope and love John 16:12-15 Spirit of truth

Psalm Response: O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

22 May Peter Gale 29 May Michelle Davis

Readers 22 May 1st Reading Christa Bucklev 2nd Reading David Buckley Pat Wicks Intercessions 29 May 1st Reading Christine Helby 2nd Reading Claire Maguire Intercessions Patricia Dee

Ministers of the Eucharist

Monica and Brian Bright 22 May 29 May Ray Wood and Jan Roberts

Counters

22 May Pamela and John 29 May Robyn and Adrian

Morning Tea

22 May Dave Harris 29 May Pamela Nash

Church Care

27 May Therese Gatt and Margaret Solomons



The Most Holy Trinity Year C

22nd May 2016

Iesus has described himself as one with the Father. As time goes on, his teachings will not be changed but will become clearer to his followers. The Holy Spirit he promises will guide them into the depths of the words he has spoken. They will come to realise and to give expression to the wonder of God who is Father. Son and Holy Spirit.

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

Entrance Antiphon: Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Communion Antiphon: Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

Next Week: Loaves and fish Gen 14:18-20; Ps 109; 1Cor 11:23-26; Luke 9:11-17

Feast Days of the Week (Sunday 22nd to Saturday 28th May)

22nd St Rita of Cascia, Widow & Nun (1381-1457), optional feast

23rd Bl. Girolamo Savanarola, Religious & Martyr (1452-98) 24th Mary, Help of Christians, Solemnity

25th St Madeline Sophie Barat, Religious (1779-1865).

Foundress of Society of Sacred Heart

26th St Philip Neri. Priest (1515-1595)

27th St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (d604), optional feast

28th St Germanus of Auxerre, Bishop (d576)

In memoriam Lorenzo Fusina 25 May Thea Ellis 26th May **Rosemary Davis** 27th May

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 **Thu** 9.00am - 12.00pm **Parish House**: 02 4787 8811 **Parish Mobile**: 04 2887 8810 **Fri** 9.00am - 12.00pm

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

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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 1st Saturday of the month **Healing Mass** 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**

TRINITY SUNDAY: Today is the Feast of God, the Most Holy Trinity, in which we celebrate the great mystery of three beings having but one single nature – a mystery in which even the great theologian Saint Augustine, despite his best efforts, was never able to resolve. I refer, of course, to the infinite love that binds each Person of the Divine Trinity – Father, Son and Most Holy Spirit – so intimately, so close, as to be absolutely, so completely at one with each other. Our readings today indirectly give us an insight into the magnificent way the three persons that make up the Beloved Trinity interact with each other. We have much to learn about our life, the way we live it and our dependence on both God and one another with a faith that totally unites us. The Triune God is all about unity – and the example that unity sets for us to follow. We also should never forget that every time we enter or depart from church, we make the sign of the cross – that permanent reminder to us that we are with our God, our Most Holy Trinity to whom we are totally beholden for our very existence.

ANNUAL RECONCILIATION OBLIGATION: Just a final reminder that the obligation for you to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation must be fulfilled between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday (today!). Failure to abide by that obligation carries with it the taint of serious sin. Should you have not received this Sacrament within the above time frame, I fervently suggest that you do so at your earliest opportunity.

RETREAT TIME: As happened several years ago under the guidance of the then Bishop Anthony, I, along with all other priests of the Parramatta Diocese, are adjourning to a live-in Diocesan clergy conference at the 'Magenta Shores' Resort, located on the Central Coast just north of The Entrance from tomorrow (Monday 23/5) until Friday (27/5). Surrounded by a golf course this sounds like an idyllic place to enjoy a few days R & R. Perish the thought! If we follow my last experience, there will be precious few opportunities for any of 'that'. Will brief you regarding the events of this coming week at next Sunday's Corpus Christi Mass. I should be back in residence from Friday evening. Therefore, Saturday's morning Mass, exposition and Reconciliation should be as per normal, as will the 6.00pm Vigil Mass at St Joseph's in the Megalong Valley.

Also, please note that, during our absence, there are to be only three Masses in the Blue Mountains – Springwood (Monday, Tuesday at 9.30am) and Lawson (Thursday 9.00am). Because of our fairly close proximity to Lithgow, should you want to attend weekday Mass during this period, I would be inclined to go there. Should an emergency arise, I would contact the Lithgow Parish (02 6351 3092) or our emergency number (0428 878 810). Sorry! That's the best I can do!

MT VICTORIA WAR MEMORIAL CENTENARY: Because of my absence next week, you should know that the following week, on Saturday 4th June, a special centenary service is to be held in the park at the War Memorial at 2pm.

ANNUAL LEAVE: Advance notice: subject to availability of stand-in priests (yet to be confirmed), I am endeavouring to take my annual leave during July. Again, I will let you know what, when and if, as soon as I know myself!

God Bless! Father Bob

Living the Gospel - Trinity

Every time we make the sign of the cross we reaffirm our belief in a God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Although some people have difficulties with the gender-specific language of 'Father' and 'Son' and look for other ways to express this reality, all Christian people profess a belief in the one God who is experienced in three distinct ways. We are baptised 'in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit' and we remind ourselves of this reality when we pray and when we bless ourselves or others. (LiturgyHelp)

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

Last Week's Collections

1st Collection: \$186.80 (Pastoral Revenue) support of the Bishop and Priests of the Diocese, both active and retired.

2nd Collection: \$897.90

(includes direct deposits). This money is used for local parish needs.

Trinity Song

Frank Andersen MSC

Father, in my life I see, you are God who walks with me. You hold my life in your hands. Close beside you I will stand. I give all my life to you, help me, Father, to be true!

Jesus, in my life I see, you are God who walks with me. You hold my life in your hands. Close beside you I will stand. I give all my life to you, help me, Jesus, to be true!

Spirit, in my life I see, you are God who walks with me. You hold my life in your hands. Close beside you I will stand. I give all my life to you, help me, Spirit, to be true!

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Social Justice Group - follow up to our recent workshop - TODAY!

Our Social Justice Group will be having a short get-together in the Meeting Room – today, after Mass – 10:45 to 12:00. Goal is to discuss a Plan of Action for the next 4-6 months. Everyone is welcome to participate, please come along – bring your cuppa with you!

PARISH DINNER Friday 27th May

FINAL CHANCE TO PURCHASE AND PAY (\$35pp) FOR TICKETS TODAY!

Afternoon Capers will be held at Ellie-Cats Café Dargan on 1st June at 12pm. If you need a lift, please phone Diane 4787 1357.

~ MAGNIFICAT CONCERT ~ Phoenix Choir with Canon Fodder DURANTE'S 'MAGNIFICAT' and VIVALDI'S 'MAGNIFICAT'

Canon Fodder sing the solos in these works and also perform three pieces on their own, by Palestrina, Marenzio and Pergolesi. To start the concert, all join together for the majestic Lauda Jerusalem by Vivaldi, where they aim to capture the grandeur of the original setting for two antiphonal choirs.

TODAY at 3pm ~ Blackheath Baptist Church

Tickets are now available online at www.phoenixchoir.org.au and by selecting "tickets". Tickets (\$25 & \$20 concession) will also be available at the door. Online booking is available until 12pm on the day of the concert.

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