

Acts 10:34, 37-43 God raised Jesus **Colossians 3:1-4** *Look to heaven* Luke 24:1-12 Risen from the dead

**Psalm Response:** This is the day the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad.

# **Gospel Acclamation** Halle, Hallelujah (3x) Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Halle, Hallelujah ....

Servers

27 Mar Diane Stewart 3 Apr Peter Gale

Readers

27 Mar 1st Reading

2nd Reading Claire Maguire Intercessions Pat Wicks

1st Reading 3 Apr

2nd Reading Christa Buckley Patricia Dee

Intercessions

Ministers of the Eucharist

27 Mar Monica and Brian Bright 3 Apr Ray Wood and Jan Roberts

**Counters** 

27 Mar **Julie and Lance** Pamela and John 3 Apr

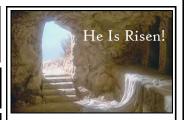
**Morning Tea** 

27 Mar EASTER

Pamela Scott and Elizabeth Doolan 3 Apr

**Church Care** 

1 Apr Sue Gracev and Barbara Grieves



**Easter Sunday** of the **Resurrection of the Lord** Year C

#### 27th March 2016

Israel's faith was built on remembering God's mighty deeds, his promises and their fulfilment. Our Christian faith goes further, seeing the Old Covenant fulfilled in the coming of Christ, his life, death and resurrection. His Passover from death to life is not only *his* victory, but by it he has won our redemption, our Passover in him to life eternal. Christ has risen from the dead. Alleluia!

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

Christine Helby

David Buckley

Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.

You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia:

therefore, let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia!

Next week: Sent to forgive Acts 5:12-16; Psalm 117 Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19 John 20:19-31

### Collections Sunday 20th March

1st ~ \$250.00 2nd ~ \$739.65 (plus \$125 in Direct Deposits). Thank you!

**Feast Days of the Week**— Sunday 27th March to Saturday 3rd April 27th March Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

28th Octave of Easter 29th Octave of Easter 30th Octave of Easter 31st Octave of Easter 1st April Octave of Easter 2nd Octave of Easter



# 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 1st Saturday of the month **Healing Mass** 9.00am 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays **Mount Victoria** - Vigil Mass 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** 

#### HAPPY EASTER! He is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Re-invigorated, this is a time for us to celebrate! Renewed! Revitalised! Refreshed! Maybe a little lighter from our Lenten diet, however, that has been more than offset by the extra support we have given to those in need. That has been the formula for us these past 40 days. We have given up – and given much in Lent for our own spiritual benefit, plus the physical and other benefits bestowed on so many recipients of God's generosity and mercy in and through us. We have emerged from our Lenten sacrifices to the new dawn of our Christian life enjoyed in our commemoration of Christ's Resurrection today!

May YOU enjoy the fullness of His personal love for you, also the peace and happiness He brings into your life, the lives of your family and those precious to you.

As Jesus moved from His human world into the eternal life whence He originally came, He also invites us to do the same (in a spiritual sense) by joining Him in His victory over death through this great Paschal Feast of Easter.

I also take this opportunity to thank, on behalf of myself and all parishioners, the many families and individuals who have made this year's Lent and Easter so special for all of us through their extra, most valuable contribution to the planning and conduct of our liturgies.

Finally, a massive accolade to our Music Group who gave our Masses/liturgies that very special 'polish' that lifted the spirits of all who shared the events of this week. Amazing!

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** (3rd April): Next Sunday is that very special Feast of Divine Mercy, that feast proclaimed for us by Pope John Paul II at the canonization of St Faustina Kowalski on 30th April 2000. In his proclamation, Pope St John Paul said "... it is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the Word of God on this 2nd Sunday of Easter which, from now on throughout the Church, will be called Divine Mercy Sunday." The readings on that Sunday are all about mercy, trust and the forgiveness of sins. Locally, on that day, special celebrations are to be held at St Bonaventure's Church, Leura from 2.45pm. So, spread the word among your friends.

**DAYLIGHT SAVING:** Next Sunday, remember to turn your clocks **BACK ONE HOUR** as Daylight Saving ends at 3.00am which becomes 2.00am. That tells me we all get another hour's sleep-in next Sunday morning. Probably better if we make the change before we go to bed on Saturday night. At least, that is what I'll be doing!

**LETTER FROM UGANDA:** Have just received a letter from Fr John Bosco Musingura, Uganda, thanking us once more for recent support we extended to him and his parish. You may read for yourself its contents as the original letter will be found on our notice board. Enjoy!

God Bless & Happy Easter! Father Bob

**Spirituality morning** will be held at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Rd, Wentworth Falls noon. The chapter "**Integral Ecology**" in the Pope's letter *Laudato Si*' will be discussed. Morning prayer as well as morning tea will be part of the program. All welcome. Enq: Srs Therese & Jacinta 4757 2290 The next **Benedictine Sj** on **1**<sup>st</sup> **April** 10am till n and a time of silence as

# 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive?

He is not here; he has risen.



# **Easter Sunday**



# Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we celebrate 50 years of Project Compassion. You are helping to empower the world's poorest children, women and men with vital learning and renewed hope. Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2016 Lenten appeal.

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

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# WITH OUR THANKS

On behalf of our Sacred Heart Community, we would like to

# acknowledge and thank Michelle Funnell

for co-ordinating our Care Group.
Michelle's dedication, sensitivity
and commitment over many long
years has been a very important gift
to so many of our parishioners.
We thank you Michelle

and wish you many blessings.

Sacred Heart Care Group

# RAFFLE will be drawn TODAY

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

Happy Birthday

Ray Wood 28th March

Pat Prummond
2nd April

#### CAKE/PLANT STALL

Will be on sale before and after Mass today! Please buy a cake and a plant and help support your parish.

Mark you diary for our **Parish Dinner** which has been booked for Friday, 27th May. It will be held in our Parish Hall, with entertainment by our very own **Pat Drummond**. All welcome! More details to come.

Please pray for the sick and their carers: Sharon Booth; Stan Dochniak; Frank Farsaci; Frank Mackrell; 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

Come and join us at the next *Laudato Si'* Discussion and Action Group gathering on Wednesday 6 April in the Parish meeting room 7pm-8.30pm.

Prepared reading from *Laudato Si'* is pages 23-40.

Come and look more closely at Pope Francis' encyclical. *All Welcome!* 

In memoriam: † Fr Bernard Shah ~ 31st March; † Ken Cullen ~ 1st April; † Edna Moran ~ 2nd April and † Mathew Walker ~ 2nd April.