Acts 3:13-15. 17-19 1 Jn 2:1-5 Lk 24:35-48

## **Psalm Response:**

Lord, let your face shine on us.

# **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

Pat Wicks

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15 Apr Graham Adams 22 Apr Paul Harris

## Readers

15 Apr John Woodward 1st reading 2nd reading Barbara Grieves Marilyn Rowe Intercessions 22 Apr 1st reading Patricia Dee 2nd reading Claire Maguire

#### Communion

15 Apr Monica and Brian Bright 22 Apr Carla Endean & Mary Roberts

Intercessions

# **Counters**

Carle & Neil Endean 15 Apr 22 Apr Pamela & John

### Morning Tea

Pamela Scott/Elizabeth Doolan 15 Apr

22 Apr Carroll Family

#### Church Care

4th May Margaret Solomons & Catherine McNamara

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

**Entrance Antiphon:** Cry out with joy to God, all the earth: O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise,

**Communion Antiphon:** The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead: in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia



# 3rd Sunday of Easter **Ordinary Time** Year B

15th April 2018

The disciples are 'terrified' when they see Iesus after his resurrection: but Jesus puts them at their ease by sharing a meal. It is only then that the disciples are ready to listen and to open their minds to the wisdom that Iesus has to offer.

Reflection and Artwork by Jenny Close (Liturgyhelp)

#### Next Week:

Acts 4:8-12: 1 Jn 3:1-2: Jn 10·11-18

# Feast Days of the Week (15th to 21st April)

15th St. Paternus (Bishop)

16th St. Bernadette Soubirous

17th St. Stephen Harding (Abbott)

18th St. Apollonius (Martyr)

St. Leo IX (Pope)

St. Agnus of Montepulciano (Virgin)

21st St. Anselm (Bishop/Doctor)



# Sacred Heart Parish

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

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.

We acknowledge the Darug and Gundungurra people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders past and present, including those who may be with us today.

Blackheath	Sunday Mass	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	<b>Vigil Mass</b> (1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays)	6.00pm
Megalong Valley	Vigil Mass (2nd and 4th Saturdays)	6.00pm

Parish Priest: Father Bob Sheridan **Parish Office:** 02 4787 8540 Parish House: 02 4787 8811 Facsimile: 02 4787 6143

**Parish Mobile**: 0417 355 479 Office hours: Wed 1.00pm - 4.00pm **Thu** 9.00am - 12.00pm (Emergency only)

E-mail: shbheath2@bigpond.com **Fri** 9.00am - 12.00pm

Parish House: 18 Inconstant Street, Blackheath, 2785 Sacred Heart Church: 167 Wentworth Street, Blackheath.

St Paul's Church: 65 Great Western Highway, Mount Victoria. St Joseph's Church: 1270 Megalong Road, Megalong Valley.

For **Baptisms**, Marriages and sick calls, please contact the Parish House.

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 4th Sunday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to either Fr Bob: Diana Landsberg (Chair); John Barclay (Deputy Chair) or Patricia Dee (Secretary).

Sacred Heart Care Group (helping parishioners in times of need) call 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

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55TH WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Next Sunday is 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. This is the time when we focus on vocations — your vocation and mine, whether that be the priesthood, religious or secular life. Included under that heading is marriage, family, profession, trade or the single lifestyle. Pope Francis invites everyone to seriously re-examine our present status in life, particularly in the relationship we have with the Church and each other through our present vocations. He also invites us to review, revise and perhaps recast those vocations to more fully serve God and our neighbour, and thus be drawn ever closer to Him. Given that we have only just completed a six week major review of our vocations during Lent, with this fresh invitation extended to us to yet again undertake another similar review, we have to wonder whether there is ever an end to such reviews. The short answer is "no", there isn't! To survive in this hostile world it is essential for us to continually review where we are at in this life so as to better position ourselves for the future in our relations with God and neighbour and our service to them. We are particularly asked at this time to pray for more vocations to the priesthood or consecrated life. More on this topic next week!

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AGAIN**: Schools 'broke up' last Friday (13th April) and are not due to reopen until Tuesday (1st May). Let's pray that this first term break will be a very safe, happy and healthy time for you and your family, with no 'hiccups' to dampen your holiday spirit! Go to it!

**PROJECT COMPASSION**: With Easter now a distant memory, the time has arrived for those of us who still have Caritas coin boxes, to return them with whatever coinage is in them to us so that we can finalise this major charitable fund-raising effort for this Lenten-Easter Season. Please leave them with either myself or one of the parish councillors. Many thanks to everyone who has donated to this most worthy cause!

ANZAC DAY: Ten days from now we will be celebrating ANZAC DAY on Wednesday week (25th April). The normal scheduled 9.00am Wednesday Mass will be celebrated, suitably themed towards this very special day in our Australian history and psyche. There will be ample time after Mass for us to adjourn to the Blackheath War Memorial in time for the start of their main ceremony from 10.45am. We will be laying a wreath at the War Memorial during that Remembrance Service on behalf of all parishioners. Lest we forget!

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY**: Just a reminder to all that we have just completed our first year of selling the Catholic Weekly. We are presently selling only about half of our allocation of this most informative newspaper. Please, will you give some consideration to regularly buying a copy at the low price of \$2.00 per copy. Sadly, while the 'Outlook" is no more, the Catholic Weekly is a most satisfactory information substitute. Many thanks in anticipation of your support!

**RESERVE THIS DATE – 20TH MAY 2018**: An initiative has been taken by this parish to invite all Blackheath and surrounding communities, groups and individuals to

gather in the Blackheath Community Hall for a meeting convened to address the plight of refugees and people who are seeking our protection and support now and into the future. The conversation will take place from 2 – 4.30pm on Sunday, 20th May, 2018. Be interested! Be concerned! Be there!

God Bless! Fr. Bob

**Next Catalyst for Renewal**: Please note that the scheduled Catalyst for Renewal event with Kevin McDonnell cfc, at Lawson April 21st, has been postponed to June 16th.

Hence. our next event at Lawson will be May 19th with Catherine McCahill -

Cosmology Spirituality Morning: The next Cosmology Spirituality morning will be held at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls on 20th April 10 am till noon. Chapter one of our new book, A New Harmony by Philip Newell (\$24) will be our subject for discussion. Morning prayer and a time of silence as well as morning tea will be part of the program. As it is a new book new participants are very welcome. Enquiries Sr. Jacinta 4757 2290.



**Note your Diary**: Miss Pretty's Tea Rooms, Art Sale and Fashion Spectacular fundraiser is set down for Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th July. More information to follow.

The Annual Parish Dinner has been set down for Sunday 24th June. This year will see a change to daylight hours meaning our 'luncheon' will commence at 12noon, and will include a Roast Lunch BBQ with all the trimmings, sweets





Fr Bob with some members of the Harris Family riding to Easter Mass in Megalong Valley 2018 (just like old days) Happy Birthday: Frank Portelli 15th Noeleen Cliff 19th



## Your 2018 Parish Council Members;

Diana Landsberg (Chair), John Barclay (Deputy Chair), Patricia Dee (Secretary), Karen Hayward, Christine O'Grady, Elizabeth Doolan, Peter Gale, Paul Harris, John Tweedie (as Chairman Finance Committee).

Happy 35th Wedding Anniversary to Adrian and Robyn Carroll

## Please pray for the sick and their carers:

Barry Bowden, John & Marion Crowley, Daisy Kielv, Kevin Madden, Maria Slater and John Tweedie