


TODAY	Ez 17:22-24 2 Cor 5:6-10 Mk 4:26-34	
	Psalm Response: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.	
	Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia	
<b>Servers</b> 17 June Michelle Davis 24 June Pat Wicks		
<b>Readers</b> 17 June 1st Reader Christa Buckley 2nd Reader David Buckley Intercessions Paul Harris 24 June 1st Reader John Woodward 2nd Reader Barbara Grieves Intercessions David Buckley		
<b>Communion</b> 17th June Ray Wood & Mary Roberts 24 June Monica and Brian Bright		
<b>Counters</b> 17 June Julie & Lance Hodgkinson 24 June Robyn & Adrian Carroll		
<b>Morning Tea</b> 17 June Mary Batty 24 June Pamela Nash		
<b>Church Care</b> 15 June Margaret Solomons and Catherine McNamara		
St Paul's Mt Victoria & St Joseph's Megalong Valley		
Entrance Ant: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!		
Communion Ant: Thus says the Lord: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.		
Feast Days of the Week (18 June to 23 June) 18th St. Mark & Marcellian (286) Roman martyrs 19th St. Juliana Falconieri Foundress of the Servite Sisters 20th 17 Irish Martyrs 21st St Aloysius Gonzaga (1591) Jesuit died caring for the sick 22nd St John Fisher & St Thomas More Defenders of the Faith 23rd St Paulinus of Nola Bishop		

<b>11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B</b>  17th June 2018 <i>The image of the tree describes one of the most basic tenets of Israel's faith: God chooses the weak of the world to confound the strong. The splendour of the tree declares that God reverses the fortunes of the lofty and of the lowly, of the vigorous and of the withered. The parables of Jesus forced his hearers to stretch their imaginations and to make connections that they might not ordinarily make. (Reflections by Dianne Bergant)</i>
Next Week: Is 49:1-6 ; Acts 13:22-26: Lk 1:57-66. 80
 <b>In Loving Memory</b> <b>22nd Eusebio Dizon</b>
<b>PARENTS' ROOM:</b> The Sacristy, which contains a few books and toys, is available for parents to use when young children are restless. We hope this makes it a little easier for you and your littlies.

# 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.*

<b>Blackheath</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	<b>9.30am</b>
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
<b>Mount Victoria</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b> (1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays)	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Megalong Valley</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b> (2nd and 4th Saturdays)	<b>6.00pm</b>

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**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](mailto:shbheath2@bigpond.com)

**Website:** <https://sacredheartblackheath.org.au/>

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**ORDINARY TIME:** Today is the 11th Sunday and week in Ordinary Time. So we enter into a period of 23 such Sundays/weeks before the end of this Church year, the last Sunday of which being that of Christ the King (34th Sunday/week). During this period we seek to revisit the year “B” readings that tell us so much about who Jesus is, what he has done (and continues to do) for us because of his infinite love and complete sacrifice of his life for us, and finally, his expectations of and support for us as we journey to life’s end travelling along his way. There is absolutely nothing ‘Ordinary’ about this period! And we have so much to learn/re-learn!

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** This morning, we are graced to present Rachel Kate BISHOP-JONES who is to make her first Holy Communion during this Mass. We are privileged witnesses to this unique event in Rachel’s life. We thank all members of Rachel’s family for their support, and also Chantelle Burke who prepared Rachel to receive this wonderful Sacrament of the Eucharist - Christ Himself! Thought you also might like to know that, as part of this initiation programme, Rachel last week was one of three children who made their first Confession too! Serious congratulations from all parishioners, Rachel! We also take this opportunity to thank Michelle Davis for her behind-the scenes involvement in this programme. Finally, I am told that there may be something special for Rachel after Mass. May we share, too?

*“Rachel, we thank God for you, for the gift that you are.  
And we pray now that the seed of His love may grow in your heart,  
And as you grow may you always know  
How precious you are in the eyes of our God.  
May His face smile on you, bringing joy to you.  
And as you grow, may you always know...  
How precious you are in the eyes of our God.”*

**POPE’S WEEKLY PAR:** Again relating to his March 22, 2018 homily during Mass at Casa Santa Marta in the Vatican, the Pope said “God cannot disown himself, he cannot disown us, he cannot disown his love, and he cannot disown his people, because he loves us and this is the faithfulness of God”.

**BAPTISM:** While we haven’t had many baptisms this year, next Saturday morning at St. Paul’s, Mt. Victoria, little Ewan Minhyok SETTER, son of Seoyoung and Robert, residents of Mt. Victoria, is to be baptised in a ceremony commencing at 11.30am. We congratulate all involved, especially little Ewan, and we welcome him into our Catholic faith, the Catholic Church and Blackheath Sacred Heart Parish and family. May Ewan live a long, healthy, happy and holy life in God’s love and peace!

**URGENT;** A new Church cleaning roster is due shortly and as we are now down to just 3 dedicated teams I wondered if anyone might feel able to help out. We clean the Church fortnightly and all cleaning aids and products are provided. If you feel able to assist please call Julie on 47878096. Many thanks Julie.

**VINNIE’S WINTER APPEAL:** This is the last Sunday of Vinnie’s Parish Winter Appeal. Should you wish to donate, please place your completed appeal envelope on the Second Collection. On behalf of Vinnie’s, we sincerely THANK YOU for your support of so many needy individuals and families in our own district in what is shaping up as a severe winter. So, let’s help them as much as we can!

God Bless! Fr. Bob

*Please pray for the sick and their carers:*  
Barry Bowden, John & Marion Crowley,  
Daisy Kielv, Kevin Madden, Maria Slater,  
Rasa Blansjaar, Frank McKrell, Marie  
Johnson.

#### CONFIRMATION 2018

If you have made your sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Communion, you are invited to join the Sacred Heart Parish for the sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 16th September 2018. Four preparation classes will be held after school in term 3. If you are in high school and have not made the other sacraments but want to make your confirmation, please email the Parish Office.

If you have made your First Communion and are in upper primary or high school, please let us know the year and place you were baptised. Also let us know where and when you made your reconciliation and Holy Communion. Please email the Parish Office: shbheath2@bigpond.com with the subject title: Confirmation. To assist in planning, please contact the Parish by 22 June, 2018.

**WORKING BEE** Wednesday 27th June from 8am. No mowing to do now but there are always jobs to be done to keep our grounds and buildings looking neat and tidy. Please join us if possible. Many thanks Lindsay and Lance.

#### PARISH ANNUAL LUNCH

To be held on Sunday 24 June in our parish hall. Lunch will commence at midday, and will include a hot roast dinner, desert, and tea/coffee. In order to lock in a great price per person of \$20 we need to encourage 60 people to attend. RSVP on the list on the notice board outside the church for all those interested in attending. As in previous years this function must be paid for in advance, and payments will be collected from 10th June. Enquiries? Please see Marilyn or Patricia.



#### MISS PRETTY’S TEA ROOM

*Come and be part of our extravaganza on 7 - 8 July! There will be Art and Fashion for sale together with lots of yummy cakes and extras. To make this a success we need ART to sell. If you have any framed art work of any value you don’t have space for, we would love it for our collection. Please contact Marilyn or Patricia Dee if you need it picked up. Alternately, bring it along any Sunday prior to July. This weekend supports various ministries within our parish.*

**TAIZE SERVICE** ~ this Sunday 17th June from 5 - 6 pm at Leura Uniting Church. The theme is "Listening for the voice of God". Services are held every third Sunday of the month. Enquiries visit [leura.unitingchurch.org.au](http://leura.unitingchurch.org.au)