

Is 53:10-11
Heb 4:14-16 ; Mk 10:35-45

Psalm Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, Alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

Servers
21 Oct Paul Harris
28 Oct Diane Stewart

Readers
21 Oct 1st Reader Patricia Dee
2nd Reader Pat Wicks
Intercessions John Woodward
28 Oct 1st Reader Elaine Jackson
2nd Reader Basil Jackson
Intercessions Patricia Dee

Communion
21 Oct Elizabeth Doolan & Grahame Adams
28 Oct Carla Endean & Paul Harris

Counters
21 Oct Laurie Noyes
28 Oct Carla & Neil Endean

Morning Tea
21 Oct Carroll Family
28 Oct Connie Adams

Church Care
19 Oct Sue Gracey & Peter Ofner

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

Entrance Ant: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Communion Ant: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Feast Days of the Week ((21st to 27th October))

22nd	St. Pope John Paul II	pope
23rd	St. John of Capistrano	Franciscan, patron saint of jurists
24th	St Anthony Claret	Spanish Archbishop
25th	St. Hilary	hermit monk
26th	St. Alfred the Great	English Christian king
27th	St. Abraham the Poor	Egyptian hermit



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
21st October 2018


Each Sunday by coming and celebrating the Eucharist we implicitly, and explicitly, state that we want to become like Christ. As the Gospels repeatedly tell us if we follow him in his saving love for the world then, like him, we must confront injustice, defend the rights of the poor and the oppressed to dignity, give and forgive, heal and reconcile.

Let's pray in this Eucharist that we recover a love for the hard teachings of Jesus, and that we have the courage to call our leaders to do likewise.

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Next Week:
Jer 31:7-9 ; Heb 5:1-6
Mk 10:46-52

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

21st	Maria Slater	
23rd	Rasa Blansjaar	
24th	Patricia Dee	

PARENTS' ROOM: The Sacristy 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.

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	Vigil Mass (1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays)	6.00pm
Megalong Valley	Vigil Mass (2nd and 4th Saturdays)	6.00pm

Administrator: Father Bob Sheridan **Parish Office:** 02 4787 8540
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(Emergency only) Thu 9.00am - 12.00pm
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

Website: <https://sacredheartblackheath.org.au/>
 www.facebook.com/Sacred-Heart-Parish-Community-Blackheath-NSW-Australia-153850768029631/

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: Last Sunday, you may recall, Brian Bright introduced us to a new Catholic Australian Church initiative in which he invited each of us to unveil any ideas we may have within us that could better unify and give greater meaning and purpose to our faith and, more generally, Church life. To that end, we were given printed explanatory notes, slips of paper on which to pen our idea(s) and a pencil with which to write. A special notice board was erected beside the brochure stand in the church to accommodate your penned ideas for all to see. Alternately, everyone's anonymity could be preserved where so desired by placing the penned ideas in the suggestion box located near the notice board. So, the scene is set! All that remains is for you, and you, and you to come up with those ideas that you feel may improve our relationship with God and each other through Jesus' Church in these difficult times. All the material you need is to be found in front of you in the pew. This is the best opportunity ever to improve the way our church operates for you, by you. So, go to it!

2018 AGM: I repeat the advice given last week that the date for this year's AGM has been set for Sunday, 25th November following the 9.30am Mass. Again I repeat, the AGM will be held in the parish hall with morning tea provided before the AGM commences. Also, all group leaders are reminded that the deadline for submission of their reports ready for printing is Wednesday, 7th November – please!

CATHOLIC MISSION: Given the relatively small congregation last week (67 persons), the amount donated to this most worthy cause in total was \$437.00. Many thanks to all who contributed!

SAINT OSCAR ROMERO: At last! St. Oscar Romero was elevated to full sainthood on Sunday, 14 October 2018, having been beatified on 23 May, 2015. The former Archbishop of San Salvador spoke out against the Revolutionary Government's Junta, especially its repression of human rights. While celebrating Mass at a local chapel on 24 March 1980, this Salvadorian Prelate was assassinated. He was a man of tremendous courage and influence among the poor of his day, and his elevation to sainthood is a fitting climax to a wonderful life lived with, in and for Christ! So we have yet another great South American martyr and saint!

DAILY MASS: As we near the end of this 2018 Church Year, with daylight saving making the task easier for those able to, perhaps the time is right for us to consider attendance at daily Mass. Whenever you glance at the cover of our weekly Bulletin, you may see that, except for Mondays, we have available daily Masses for all who desire to attend. Times vary a little day by day. There is one in the evening (Tuesdays), while the others are in the morning. There are a few locals who attend regularly, plus others who come from other parishes. Many times, the visitors outnumber the locals. First and second Saturdays are special Masses – Healing and Benediction respectively! Reconciliation (Confession) is scheduled after each Saturday Mass, and as required at the other weekday Masses. While I do acknowledge that many parishioners are unable to attend these 'very different' weekday Masses because of work, other commitments and lack of transport etcetera,

there is an opportunity for some to share a Mass or perhaps two each week. So, this is my personal invitation to those of you who can make it, to come, see, and join in weekday's greatest community prayer available to parishioners.
God Bless! Fr. Bob

Plenary Council 2020: Please continue to write down your suggestions. Your idea can be about a range of topics: women's participation, the sacraments, liturgy, governance, sexual abuse, parish issues etc. We will forward these at the end of each month to the Plenary Council Committee.

Join us on Thursday 1st November in the hall for the first Listening Circles and forum after the Mass for the feast of All Saints, starting at 7pm. This first session will focus on the impact of sexual abuse in the church. This will be an opportunity to come up with further suggestions to feed into the Plenary 2020 process.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH ~
Melbourne Cup Luncheon will be held at The George in the Blue Jax Restaurant on Tuesday 6 November at 12.30 pm \$35 a head. I will need to know numbers by 30 October. Please put your name on the notice board if you would like to come ring Diane phone 47871357 or Elizabeth Doolan 47875537.
All welcome

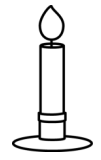
DIOCESAN LITURGY CONFERENCE ~
This conference will be held on Saturday Nov 10 9.30am - 3:00 pm at St Andrew the Apostle, Marayong Parish. Cost is \$30 pp. Registration prior to the conference is necessary in order to ensure you can attend the workshops that interest you. Contact <https://parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/> for more information.

Please pray for the sick and their carers:
Barry and Madeleine Bowden, John & Marion Crowley, Kevin Madden, Maria Slater, Frank McKrell, Marie Johnson and Trennah Portelli.

Happy Anniversary
21st Mark and Maria Slater
22nd Jennifer and Wayne Kelly
25th Joseph and Rasa Blansjaar (m 1968)



Rest in Peace
25th Leslie Dee (d 2015)
25th Edna Bentick (d 2010)
26th Patricia Davies (d 2013)
26th Barry Roberts (d 2017)
27th Brenda Pateman (d 2013)



Taize Service Leura Uniting Church ~
This Sunday 21 October from 5 - 6 pm at Leura Uniting Church.
The theme is 'Breathing in God's love and peace'.
All are welcome at this special time of singing, prayer and peace in the Taize tradition. Services are held every third Sunday of the month. Our next service is Sunday 18th November.