

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

Psalm Response: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Gospel Acclamation:
 Alleluia, Alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

Servers
 28 Oct Diane Stewart
 4 Nov Pat Wicks

Readers
 28 Oct 1st Reader Elaine Jackson
 2nd Reader Basil Jackson
 Intercessions Patricia Dee
 4 Nov 1st Reader Monica Bright
 2nd Reader Brian Bright
 Intercessions Marilyn Rowe

Communion
 28 Oct Carla Endean & Paul Harris
 4 Nov Mary Roberts & Grahame Adams

Counters
 28 Oct Carla & Neil Endean
 4 Nov Pamela & John

Morning Tea
 28 Oct Connie Adams
 4 Nov Dave Harris

Church Care
 2 Nov Margaret Solomons & Catherine McNamara

St Paul's Mt Victoria & St Joseph's Megalong Valley
Entrance Ant: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.
Communion Ant: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Feast Days of the Week (28th October - 3rd November)

28th	St. John Dat	martyr of Vietnam
29th	St. Cuthbert Mayne	English martyr
30th	St. Herbert	bishop
31st	St. Bega	Irish princess, hermit
1st	All Saints Day	
2nd	All Souls Day	
3rd	St Martin de Porres	religious





Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
 28th October 2018

Sight, and the insight that can come from what we see, bestows on us the dignity of having options and the responsibility to do something about what we behold. We are in the position of making choices about what we look at. We cannot, however, let ourselves off the hook in regard to seeing the world as it is and doing something about creating a better vision of humanity for everyone, everywhere. Let us pray for the courage to shoulder the responsibility that comes with every gift. © Richard Leonard

Next Week:
 Dt 6:2-6 ; Heb 7:23-28
 Mk 12:28-34

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2nd	Tony Perriam	
3rd	John Paul Lillis	

CANCELLATION ~ There will be no evening Mass on Tuesday October 30, due to ill health in Fr Bob's family.

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

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 (Emergency only) **Thu** 9.00am - 12.00pm
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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

Website: <https://sacredheartblackheath.org.au/>
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CHANGE OF FOCUS – October to November: Wednesday marks the end of our Mother Mary's month of the Rosary, while Thursday introduces the very special month of November when we apply our thoughts and prayers to the welfare of our dearly departed loved ones. November starts off on a 'high' with the Solemnity Feast of All Saints; not just that one day in the year when we publicly acknowledge, fete and honour those great saints who have trodden this earth, but every saint in heaven including those completely unknown to us. Thursday's normal 8.00am Mass will be complemented by a second, 7.00pm Mass that same evening, so as to better celebrate this great Feast of All Saints.

Friday is All Souls Day, that day each year when we expressly commemorate all the faithful departed, including our brothers and sisters suffering the torments of Purgatory. We are able to assist them through the 'Communion of Saints' that binds us together in a relationship of love that bypasses the temporal life barrier which otherwise exists between us.

Also, from Thursday, the usual Remembrance Book will be in place adjoining the baptismal font for parishioners to list the names of their departed loved ones. We do this so that our community may honour them in our prayers throughout November. Additionally, should you so desire, you could place their name in the basket provided in front of the altar, there to remain until the end of the month. Blank cards for this purpose will be available next to the Remembrance Book. Again, special envelopes will be available for those wanting to have individual mention made in Masses celebrated in honour of loved ones this coming month.

Your prayers are particularly requested during November for those parishioners and others who have departed this life since our last All Souls' Day. Included in that number are those for whom I have held requiem services. Their names are: Stephen Hutchins (Parishioner), Marie Gilbert, Roma Ziolkowski (Parishioner), Daniel Kojta, William (Bill) Grieves (Parishioner), Donald Mulholland, Terence Bucknall (Parishioner), and Bernard Glasheen. Please direct some of your prayers to all eight of these deceased brothers and sisters, and the families, relatives and friends they have left behind.

2018 MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT: Today is the last of the four Sunday Mass attendance counts we are taking this year. So far, in the three previous weeks, total attendances have reached 291 persons. That includes Vigil Masses held in both satellite churches as scheduled for them. As in past weeks, we need a volunteer to conduct the Blackheath Mass attendance count today, please? Many thanks!

2018 AGM REMINDER: It's getting ever closer! Please set aside about one and a half hours after Mass on Sunday, 25th November when our AGM will be held in the parish hall, preceded by morning tea in that same hall. Everyone – parishioners and visitors alike are cordially invited to join us for this annual appraisal of this Blackheath Sacred Heart Parish performance covering the 2017-2018 financial year. While several sectional reports have already been received, the majority of them are still outstanding. Remember, for those affected, the deadline for receipt of the outstanding reports is Wednesday, 7th November. So, please come! I promise, it's

GARAGE SALE~ There are only 96 days until our annual Garage Sale. Please remember us if you are doing a Spring Clean, and donate your unwanted goodies to our sale. Please contact Marilyn 0414536601 for more information.

not as boring as this notice sounds!

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: By the time you read this Bulletin, the first local gathering of interested parishioners will have been held (7.00pm Thursday, 25th October in the parish hall). A verbal report will be presented on that meeting in the notices after Mass today. Please also note that the second gathering on Thursday, 1st November, will commence after the All Saints 7.00pm evening Mass has concluded – probably a little before 8.00pm. What an opportunity to attend both!!

OTHER: Next Saturday at 2.00pm here at Blackheath, Bree Russell is to marry Benjamin Pollet in a Nuptial Mass, the reception being held at the Hydro Majestic. As both come from Orange, I doubt whether any of our local parishioners would know them. However, you are more than welcome to attend should you so desire. God Bless! Fr. Bob

Plenary Council 2020: Plenary Council 2020: 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, which starts at 7pm.

Last Monday, we witnessed the apology by our prime Minister to the survivors following the Royal Commission on Institutional Responses to Child Sexual abuse. It is timely then that this first plenary session focuses on child sexual abuse and the Church's response. Come and listen to fellow parishioners and community members about how they see the Church at this point and where it needs to be for the future. This will be an opportunity to come up with suggestions to feed into the Plenary 2020 process. Please join us this coming Thursday.

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: 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.

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

WORKING BEE
Wednesday 31 October 8am
All are welcome to come and work with our maintenance team next Wednesday morning 31 October from 8am. The grass is growing and the potholes are getting deeper. So there is plenty to do. Please bring a sunhat and garden gloves. Call Lance on 47878096 or John on 0407 288 957 for further information, or just turn up on Wednesday morning.