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*Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Abraham's sacrifice
Romans 8:31-34 God's saving grace
Mark 9:2-10 Listen to my Son*

Responsorial Psalm: **I will walk in the presence of the Lord; in the land of the living.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Glory to you, O Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ.** (sung)

Servers

12 Mar Wayne Kelly
19 Mar Diane Stewart

Readers

12 Mar 1st Reading Claire Maguire
Ps/Intercessions Jane Nolan
2nd Reading Ian Maguire
12 Mar 1st Reading Wayne Evans
Ps/Intercessions Julie Hodgkinson
2nd Reading Steve Gauci

Ministers of the Eucharist

12 Mar Marion Crowley and Anne Broomfield
19 Mar Norma Longmuir and Diana Landsberg

Children's Liturgy

12 Mar Christa Buckley
19 Mar Carroll Family

Counters

12 Mar Barbara and Bill Grieves
19 Mar Christa and David Buckley

Morning Tea

12 Mar Carroll Family
19 Mar Noelene Phelps

Church Cleaning

17 Mar The Gatt Family
24 Mar Noelene and Kevin Phelps



**2nd Sunday of Lent
Year B
12 March 2006**

This trio of favoured disciples is with Jesus when he manifests his glory on the mount and the Father testifies: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' They will be with Jesus again when he is overcome by fear in the Garden at the beginning of his Passion. The vision of his glory is to strengthen them that they be not overwhelmed by his passion and death.

World Day of Prayer raised \$360.40 which will go the Bible Society.

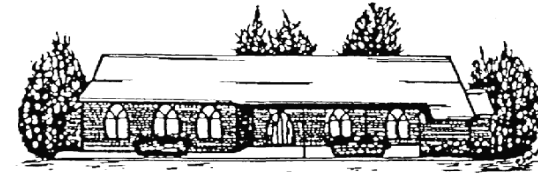
NEXT WEEK

Zeal for God's house
*Exodus 20:1-17;
Psalm 18
1 Corinthians
1:22-25;
John 2:13-25*



GARAGE SALE: Our annual Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, 8th and Sunday, 9th April. The Hall will be open for one hour after mass each Sunday for goods you wish to contribute. Remember, the funds we raise help to support the upkeep and repairs of our Parish.

SACRED HEART PARISH



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

Our Mission Statement

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.

All enquiries regarding Baptisms, Marriage and sick calls to the Parish House.

~ Pastoral Director ~ Sister Lyn Eastmure O.P. ~

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Blackheath

Mass Sunday 9.30 am
Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service Wednesday 9.00 am
Praying the Gospel Wednesday 9.30 am
Prayer of the Church Friday 9.00 am
Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music 4th Saturday of month 2.00 pm

Mount Victoria

Christian Meditation (one hour) Every Wednesday 7.00 am
Mass 1st Friday of month 7.00 pm

Megalong Valley

Liturgy of the Word 1st Friday of month 9.00 am

Parish Pastoral Council meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month. If you would like an issue discussed, please submit it in writing to either Sr Lyn, David Buckley (Chair), Monica Bright (Deputy Chair) or Chris le Gras (Secretary).

Bulletin Items: please contact Kate Forbes by Thursday - phone 4787 8520 or email D_P_I@telpacific.com.au

Dear Friends,

In scripture, mountains are often the places where God communicates with human beings. Moses and Elijah both experienced God's presence and action on mountain tops. The three disciples are terrified, yet Peter suggests they build three tents to remain on the mountain and contemplate the face of God. But this is a misunderstanding of what true discipleship is about. We might like to settle down, here in our mountain and contemplate the mystery of God ... but we are challenged to reach out to others in service as Jesus did. How appropriate that today we are invited to plan how we, as community and as followers of Jesus, might reach out to others.

Blessings, Lyn.

Sacramental Preparation: We have three children interested so if you would like your child prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist, please contact Sr Lyn.

Pastoral Planning Day

This weekend we welcome **Sister Cecilia Anning** to our Parish. As detailed in last Sunday's Bulletin, after Mass today, **all parishioners** are invited to spend a few hours working with Cecilia and our Parish Council in formulating a Parish Pastoral Plan - providing a guide for the next 2-3 years.

SAINTE PATRICK'S Celebrations

Today is the last opportunity to put your name down for **THE 'GREEN' NIGHT** Saturday, 18th March, 2006. The money has to be paid before the evening so Anne-Marie will be contacting those whose names are on the board this week.

Happy Anniversary Jenny and Lindsay Inman for 11th March

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB "Spirituality in the Mundane"

Guest speakers:

Catherine Beaver
and **Camden Gilchrist**
Gardner's Inn, Blackheath
Wednesday, 15 March
from 7.30pm to 9pm.

Further information:
Elizabeth Giddey—4787 6198

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING:

This Tuesday, 14th March - 2pm at
85 Godson Avenue, Blackheath.
All welcome! Anne-Marie 47876325



Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

- ✠ *Pete Juhas - 14th March*
- ✠ *Mary Potts - 17th March*

A VOCATION VIEW: If you need an example of a person responding to a vocational call, look at Abraham - called in old age to leave his country, father a child, then asked to sacrifice the child. What faith! Vocation is a risky response to a unique call from God.



2nd Sunday of Lent, March 12

God calls us to be people of faith. This week's Project Compassion focuses on Jennifer, an Indigenous art worker who has become a leader in her community. Your donation to Project Compassion will support women in Indigenous communities like Jennifer's to develop their skills and create income generating opportunities.

There will not be a gathering this Wednesday for the Lenten Reflection. It will continue the following week, reflecting on the 4th Sunday of Lent.

A Special Welcome to the Ward Family

The descendants of Michael Ward and Ann Ryan are celebrating their reunion with Mass here today.

Michael was born in Ireland around 1836 and arrived in Melbourne in June 1857. Ann was also born in Ireland in about 1838 and arrived in Melbourne in 1854. They were married in St Francis Church, Melbourne in April 1861. They moved across Victoria and eventually took up residence at "Delta" and "Greencamp" in the Nyngan district and at "Euroka" in the Megalong Valley. Michael and Ann had seven children and it is believed that the living descendents of this couple number 537.

In 1903 William, Thomas and Nora Ward gave a grant of one acre to the Catholic Church (Cardinal Moran) - for the site of a church on the Megalong Creek. This church, unfortunately, burnt down and another was built then moved to its present site on the main road.

Today, 200 members of the family will gather for a "Return to the Valley" reunion with lunch at the Megalong Community Hall.

Leone Ward.

Happy Birthday

- Bern McPhee**
for 10th March
- David Ridoutt**
for 11th March
- Kevin Burns**
for Today
- Kathleen Le Gras**
for 15th March

CAKE STALL: The Fund Raising Committee will be holding a cake stall and craft table after mass on Easter Sunday (16th April). All donations of cakes, biscuits, jams, pickles and items suitable for the craft stall will be very welcome. **PLEASE NOTE - all food items to have a list of ingredients attached and it would be appreciated if all items are wrapped and priced ready for sale.**

CWA NEW SEASON FASHION PARADE (Bailey's Ladies Fashion) 27th March in the Uniting Church Hall at 10.30am. Cost \$7 includes lunch. RSVP 4787 8183