

1 Kings 19:4-8 Food for the journey
Ephesians 4:30-5:2 Live in love
John 6:41-51 Bread from heaven

Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: (sung) Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Word of Truth and Life.

Servers

13 Aug Ray Wood
 20 Aug Pat Leeder

Readers

13 Aug 1st Reading Gerard Nolan
 Ps/Intercessions Pat Waters
 2nd Reading Jennifer Ticehurst
 20 Aug 1st Reading Le Gras Family
 Ps/Intercessions Le Gras Family
 2nd Reading Le Gras Family

Ministers of the Eucharist

13 Aug Heather Carroll and Pat Leeder
 20 Aug Diane Stewart and Anne Broomfield

Children's Liturgy

13 Aug Carol Drummond
 20 Aug Susan Kerr

Counters

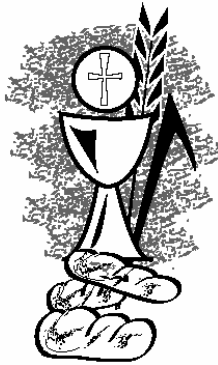
13 Aug Robyn and Kevin
 20 Aug Louise and Laurie

Morning Tea

13 Aug Dulcie Davis
 20 Aug Jan Roberts

Church Care

18 Aug Peter and Jennifer Ticehurst
 25 Aug Pat Waters and Phil Wicks



Nineteenth Sunday Year B

Jesus is bread for us in two ways: he sustains and directs our life by his teaching, and nourishes us with his Body, the Eucharist. To come to Jesus is to believe in him as sent by the Father. It is the Father's work to attract us to his Son, and the Son's work to lead us to the Father. This is eternal life. This is to participate in God's life.

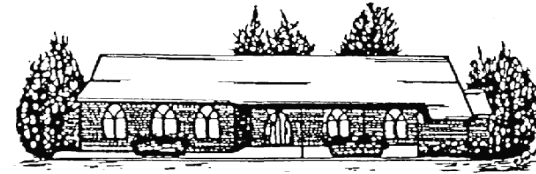
Next Week: **Bread of life** *Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 33; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58*

Look towards God and be radiant

Love is the result of love, it is intrinsically valuable. Love is a valuable thing only if it returns to its beginning, consults its origin and flows back to its source. It must always draw from that endless stream. Love is the only one of the soul's motions by which the creature in its inadequate fashion may respond to its Creator and pay him back in kind. When God loves, he wishes only to be loved in return... He knows that those who love him are happy in their love. *St Bernard (1090-1153)*



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
Christian Meditation (one hour)	Wednesday	7.00 am
	Friday	4.30 pm

Meditative Prayer Service (one hour) using Scripture and Taizé music

Mount Victoria - Mass	4th Saturday of month	2.00 pm
Megalong Valley - Liturgy of the Word	1st Friday of month	7.00 pm
	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 our Wednesday Gospel Reflection group, the following was put to us: "Reflect on your journey so far. Are you coming closer to Jesus?" We are also at the end of National Vocation Week. As the baptised, we have all been called to follow Jesus – and to come closer as we journey - in our daily lives, wherever we live them. This is our shared vocation, so let us continue to pray for one another.

Blessings, Lyn.

Diocesan Works Fund August Appeal:

This appeal will be held in two weeks' time, on Sunday 27th August. This is the first of the three appeals (November 2006 and May 2007), which support many ministries in the Parramatta Diocese. Our Quota for each of these appeals has risen a little this time and is now \$1473-00. We ask that you might give as generously as you can.

Happy 50th Anniversary Mick and Dulcie Davis ♥ for 18th August ♥

Next week during our Sunday Eucharist, we will welcome to the waters of Baptism

Caitlin Alexandra Evans and
Dominic Andrew Deegan.

Filipino Mass - 20 August

at 11am at Our Lady of the Way Catholic Church, 15 Troy St, Emu Plains. Fellowship will follow after the mass. There will be a Thank You program for **Father Bong Dublan**, outgoing Filipino Chaplain for the Diocese of Parramatta and a Welcome to **Father Raning**, incoming Filipino Chaplain for the Diocese of Parramatta. All welcome.

NFP Week 14 – 21 August

Make the time to manage your fertility; achieve or avoid a pregnancy without drugs or devices. To learn more about your fertility, phone **Natural Fertility Services** for an appointment on 9630 7404.



The Parish website is now in the public domain

and our thanks to Pat Drummond for all the hours of work and skill he has put into it. There is still more information and pictures to be added. Do check it out. Should you not want your photo or that of family members to appear, please let Sr Lyn or Pat know. The web address is - <http://www.keepersoftheflame.net/SacredHeartParish/index.html>

August Cosmology Morning

There is a warm invitation to join us on 18 August at 10am at the Good Samaritan Community House, 3 Valley Rd, Wentworth Falls. The theme of the meditation will be "Springing into New Life" and the subject of discussion is "Economics as a Religious issue" from Chapter 7 of Father Thomas Berry's book, *The Dream of the Earth*. Our gathering includes prayers for the sick and morning tea. Enquiries: Sister Jacinta 4757 2290.

In John's Gospel,
Jesus is the Word
of God made flesh.
Jesus is the one who
makes the Father's
message present
among us. He does
not bring the message:
He is the message.

*from Break open
the Word.*

Please remember in
your prayers those
whose anniversaries
occur at this time:
✠**Francis Doyle**
15th August.

St Vincent de Paul Society

The Welcome Friends
programme to be held
on Wednesday
13 September has
been transferred to
Wednesday
27 September.

Caritas Envelopes
are available at the
end of the pews.

AUGUST 13 Middle East Peace Sunday

Today is a day of prayer and reflection, when we take a moment to stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the Middle East.

Caritas Australia is accepting donations for the **Middle East Crisis.**

Call **1800 024 413** or donate online at www.caritas.org.au

A VOCATION VIEW

A woman clothed with the sun,
the moon under her feet and on
her head a crown of twelve stars.
Hers is the most beautiful story
of vocation, when Mary said,
"Let it be done unto me
according to thy will."
Can you make the choice?



National Vocations Awareness Week August 12-13, 2006

The priests, deacons, brothers and sisters of tomorrow are with us today – in our homes, schools, parishes and work places. Please remember to pray today, and during the coming year, that many of today's young people will find *fullness of life* as the sisters, brothers, priests and deacons of 'tomorrow'.

Some thoughts to ponder:

Do you know someone (e.g. one of your children, a grandchild, a friend, neighbour, student, work colleague) who would benefit from your encouragement to consider God's invitation to love and serve others as a brother, priest, sister or deacon?

In what ways do you, your family and this parish community support and encourage young women and men to consider a call to Religious Life or Ordained Ministry (priest/permanent deacon)?



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