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Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 No favourites  
1 John 4:7-10 God's love for us  
John 15:9-17 Love one another

**Responsorial Psalm:** (sung)

*The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.*

**Gospel Acclamation:** (sung) *Alleluia!*

**Servers**

21 May Wayne Kelly  
28 May Diane Stewart

**Readers**

21 May 1st Reading Jane Nolan  
Ps/Intercessions Ian Maguire  
2nd Reading Claire Maguire  
28 May 1st Reading Julie Hodgkinson  
Ps/Intercessions Steve Gauci  
2nd Reading Wayne Evans

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

21 May Marion Crowley and Anne Broomfield  
28 May Norma Longmuir and Diana Landsberg

**Children's Liturgy**

21 May Bettina Le Gras  
28 May Carroll Drummond

**Counters**

21 May Barbara and Bill  
28 May Christa and David

**Morning Tea**

21 May Jan Roberts  
28 May Bettina Le Gras

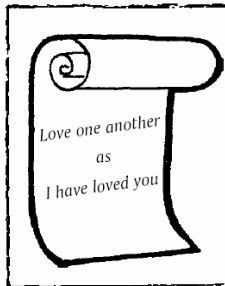
**Church Cleaning**

26 May Peter and Jennifer Ticehurst  
2 June Pat Waters and Phil Wicks

**The National Count of Attendance at Mass and Sunday Assemblies** will be conducted over the next 3 Sundays. This is held in the same year as the Australian Census (August) and the National Church Life Survey (July-Oct) so that the information collected can be most effectively used in association with results from the other two projects.

NEXT WEEK  
**He works with us**  
*Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 46*  
*Ephesians 1:17-23;*  
*Mark 16:15-20*

**Blackheath Presbyterian Women's Association** invites the Ladies of Blackheath Catholic Church to a **Winter Fashion Parade** given by Bailey's Fashions at the Uniting Church Hall, Blackheath on Wednesday, 24th May from 10am. Parade at 10.30pm. Light Luncheon to be served - \$7.



**Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B**

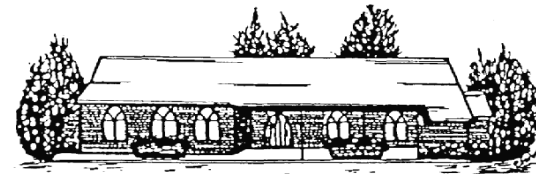
**21 May 2006**

It seems astonishing that Jesus says he loves us just as the Father loves him.

Who are we in comparison with Jesus, God's beloved Son? With what dignity he endows every created person!

Therefore he commands us to love one another as he loves us. He calls us not servants but friends. The measure of his love is his willingness to lay down his life for us.

# 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. ~

Parish House 4787 8811 Fax: 4787 6143  
Parish Office 4787 8540 email: shbheath@hermes.net.au

**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,**

*“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.”*  
As our Wednesday group reflected on today’s gospel, we read that the word **“abide”** in the Greek text is the word *“meno”*. It refers to *dwelling in a place for the long term.*” One of the pastoral council members noted that ... Jesus loves us with as much love as he was loved by the Father. Let us rejoice that we are so abundantly loved, and trust that we are there for the long haul ... bearing the fruit that comes from loving one another. **Blessings, Lyn.**

Today we will welcome **Tyson James Peter Rich** into our Christian community through the waters of Baptism. We congratulate his parents, Ebony and Mark, and sister Billie-Anne and remember them in our prayers.

**The Dr. Laurie Brooks Memorial Lecture 2006**

*What are Australian Values?*

*Do we need a Bill of Rights to maintain them?*

A Lecture by Fr. Frank Brennan S.J.

8pm, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2006, St Dominic's, Penrith.

**Source Your Creativity! Engage Sacred Energy!  
Experience Fullness of Life!**

2 Weekend Workshops: 9:30am – 3.30pm

~ **Energy in Motion, Saturday, 3 June 2006**

~ **When Love is all there is, Sunday, 4 June 2006**

Offered by Maree Haggerty RSM

St Joseph's Mount, Bathurst

**Enquires: Patricia Nugent 63314548(w) 6334 2075 ( h )**

**LANDSCAPING CHURCH GROUNDS:** Sean Lillis will speak to interested parishioners about their preferences for landscaping the area in front of the Church Hall, outside the hall on Sunday 11 June after morning tea.

**Men's Breakfast** - Already a year has passed since our first men's breakfast back in April 2005. Thanks to all who have made this such a success. Our next guest speaker is **“Rumpole of Blackheath”**. Watch this space for more details.

Please keep in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

**Lorenzo Fusina;** and Fr Paul Venticinque's father, **Guy.**

**Happy Birthday**

**Anthony Gilechrist**

for 23<sup>rd</sup> May

**Alison Cate**

for 24<sup>th</sup> May

**Karzn Cliff**

for 26<sup>th</sup> May

**Pastoral Liturgy  
Pastoral Ministry  
Course offered by  
Catholic Institute  
of Sydney –  
see Notice board.**

**Preparation for the  
Sacraments of  
Initiation**

Please keep in  
your prayers

**Peter Le Gras,  
Bradley Hargreaves  
and Riley Kiehne**

and their families as  
they prepare for the  
Sacraments of  
Reconciliation, and  
their Confirmation  
and First Eucharist on  
June 18.

**Diocesan Work Fund Pastoral Appeal** will be held **today**. We call upon your generosity as we aim to meet our levy of \$1299.00. This appeal helps support many ministries in our Diocese (see this month's *OUTLOOK*). Envelopes are available on the seats. If need be, take one home and return it next week. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> and last collection for the financial year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June. Receipts for your three donations will be issued in the near future. Sr Lyn would be grateful if anyone could offer some assistance with the paperwork for this collection.

**PRAYER** using Taizé music, Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm in the Church.

**Ecumenical Prayer Service: June 1<sup>st</sup>, Thursday at 1.30pm** during the Week of Prayer for Reconciliation and Christian Unity (28<sup>th</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June). Please invite your friends along. Some printed invitations are still available. If you can assist on the day ... setting up the church, hall, participating in the Prayer Service, please meet with Lyn after this morning's Eucharist.

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** Your help is urgently needed with arranging flowers for Sunday Mass. Our trio, who have been carrying out this mission for many years, need YOU! Don't think you need a floristry background - it just takes the willingness to enhance the church. Please give it a go as it is a very satisfying job every few months. See Jan Roberts or Barbara Grieves after Mass.

**June 4 – Welcoming Sunday!** As a parish we are well known for the warm welcome we extend to visitors and one another. We are also aware of new parishioners who have moved into our community and feel we need to celebrate, and greet and meet one another – “new” and “old”, “weekenders” and “permanents”. What better day to do this than on the Birthday of the Church - Pentecost Sunday. We'll gather in the hall after Sunday Mass for morning tea and the opportunity to meet one another, especially, those we may not know, or know by sight and not by name... possibly some entertainment ... and a light lunch of hot soup and rolls will be served!

Whether you can stay or not, to help update our census, would you please fill out the following form, tear it off and place it in a box at one of the doors as you leave the church. *Thank you!*

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Christian Names : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

A skill/talent... I/we have to offer the community: \_\_\_\_\_

What might the community be able to assist/or help you with? \_\_\_\_\_

No. of years in the Parish: 1 year      1-5 yrs      5-10 yrs      10 yrs +