Catholic Parish of Pambula22nd/23rd July 2017

Our Lady Star of the Sea St. Joseph’s St. Peter’s St. Joseph’s

#  Eden Merimbula Pambula Wyndham

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**Baptisms**: **On any weekend** **during Mass.**

 New parishioners are most welcome. Please fill in the card in the foyer so we can contact you.

###### MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND 29th/30th July 2017

###### Eden Vigil Saturday 5p.m. Pambula Sunday 8a.m. Merimbula Sunday 10a.m.

***3Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary at St. Joseph’s Merimbula on Tuesday at 4.00p.m***

##### Weekday Liturgies/Masses

***Tues:*** *Liturgy Eden 8a.m.*

 *Mass Merimbula 4.30p.m.*

***Wed:*** *Mass Pambula 9.30a.m.*

***Thurs:*** *Mass Eden 9.30a.m.*

***Fri:******Liturgy***  *Merimbula 9.30a.m.*

***Thurs:***

***Fri:***

##### Sacrament of Reconciliation

***Merimbula:*** *Saturday 9.30am – 10.30am.*

***Eden:*** *Before the Vigil Mass Saturday*

***Pambula:*** *Before the 8a.m. Mass*

 *At any other time by request*

**The Rosary is recited each Tuesday at 4.15pm**

**at St. Joseph’sMerimbula and Our Lady Star of the Sea Eden each Thursday at 9-15am.**

***Parish News/Events***

***The Wednesday Social Group*** *meets**each Wednesday in the Merimbula Parish Centre from 1-3pm. All most welcome.*

***Mothers Prayer Group*** *each Monday at 9.30am. at Pambula (except school holidays) All welcome.*

***Parish Pastoral Council ~*** *Contact is Bernadette Wood on 6496 1360. Please feel free to call with any concerns you see in our Parish or any inspired ideas you feel we should move forward on.*

***Ladies Evening Group ~*** *First Tuesday each month at 7p.m. at Covingtons Pambula, share a meal, discuss ways to help the women of our parish. Contact Bernadette Wood on 0429 774119.*

***St.Vincent de Paul*** *meets every two weeks on Monday at 3.30pm. at the Vinnies Centre Merimbula. Please phone Christine Mabbott on 04161 30572 for any enquiries.*

***Thanks for your generosity: 1st Collection $795.70 2nd Collection: Envelopes $840.50; Loose $227.45***

***Please remember in your prayers all our sick and infirm****: Shirley Monahan; Janice Glass; Alex Ivan (nee Wood); Frank Clancy; Czes & Beata Denkiewicz; Steven Partridge: Eric Mangion; Bill Alcock; Keiran Reynolds; Lynn Hegarty; George & Isabel Franchi; Dawn Lucas;**Patrick Buckley; Julianne Hunt; Paul Picker; John Brannelly; Tony Alcock; Justin Toussaint.*

**Deceased relatives and friends for whom prayers have been requested include**: Helene Engels;Caroline Svampa; Rosemary Tarlinton; Geoff Smith;Mary Cocks;Ananias J. Gonzales; Virgilio V. Gonzales; Barb Sanders; Mike Aggenbach; Patricia McManus; Anna Giuffre; Italo Giuffre; Giovanni Ristuccia; Stan & Norma Knight; Jenny Reynolds; Nola Kennedy; John Hulme.

***We have loved them in Life; let us not forget them in death.***

***30/07MERIMBULA***

***Commentator & PF Reader Sp. Minister of Communion Altar Flowers Offertory***

23/07 Rosie Helen Neil, Judy, Teresa & Christine Gwenda

30/07 Gai Fiona Alice, Neil, Isabel & Rosie Gwenda

Cleaning: 22/07 Nil 29/07 G & F Clear

***EDEN Prayers of Faithful***

TBA

Cleaning

***PAMBULA***

23/07 Bill Peterie Pat Went Amanda & Diana Bill

30/07 Pat Went Sue Muffler Maureen & Celi Pat

Cleaning July : Marg Liston. August Dirou Family

***Archbishop’s pilgrimage to Eden***

*It ‘s all getting very exciting and we are not far away from that historic day in our parish, August 12 Saturday 2017. We are receiving confirmations from Canberra communities and other parishes in South Coast. Ethnic catholic communities are taking special interest and are coming in big numbers from Canberra to Eden. The day begins with a pilgrim walk to Eden church for the midday mass followed by lunch and couple of talks from General leadership team of Sisters of St Joseph. Our responsibility is increasing day by day; I want all of you to showcase the greatest welcoming to the Archbishop and pilgrims. I request your presence and support for this historic day in our parish and region. I completely rely on you for this big day. Let us seek the blessings of God in our families and communities through the intercession of St Mary MacKillop.*

*Fr James T Antony cmi*

**Flora Ministry**

Our parish is actively involved in caring for the needy in and around our region by different people and different groups. Now we are trying to bring together all our ministries and services under one umbrella, **Flora Ministry**. The term, “**Flora Ministry**” was first coined and introduced to us by Archbishop Christopher Prowse while he was doing parish pastoral visitation in our parish a couple of years ago.

**Who was Flora?**

As the mother of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Flora drowned aboard the Lyee-Moon, whilst travelling from Melbourne to Sydney to sell hand made items to support the Sisters of St Joseph.

She was the mother of eight children and was described as a woman of courage, patience and forbearance, with a very deep faith and trust in God. Flora holds a special place in the heart of this parish.

**What is the FLORA ministry?**

This is a small group within our parish, a group of caring, compassionate volunteers who support others in times of need.

They visit the sick and housebound, visit those in aged care facilities and hospitals and support those who are lonely or who may need a chat or a listening ear. Members also assist with funeral preparation and family support in times of grief and loss.

On Wednesday afternoons, some members of this group meet to share creative skills and make items for others, just as Flora did.

**How can you help?**

If you would like to become a member of the Flora Ministry and support others through any of the activities described, or by sharing a cuppa and a chat, please contact Fr James or Bernadette Wood or Anne Maddock. Your time and presence will be greatly appreciated by others.

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**Saint Martha** "Jesus loved Martha and Mary and Lazarus." This unique statement in John's gospel tells us of the special relationship Jesus had with Martha, her sister, and her brother. Apparently Jesus was a frequent guest at Martha's home in Bethany, a small village two miles from Jerusalem. We read of three visits in Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-53, and John 12:1-9. Many of us find it easy to identify with Martha in the story Luke tells. Martha welcomes Jesus and his disciples into her home and immediately goes to work to serve them. Hospitality is paramount in the Middle East and Martha believed in its importance. Imagine her frustration when her sister Mary ignores the rule of hospitality and Martha's work in order to sit and listen to Jesus. Instead of speaking to her sister, she asks Jesus to intervene. Jesus' response is not unkind, which gives us an idea of his affection for her. He observes that Martha is worried about many things that distract her from really being present to him. He reminds her that there is only one thing that is truly important -- listening to him. And that is what Mary has done. In Martha we see ourselves -- worried and distracted by all we have to do in the world and forgetting to spend time with Jesus. It is, however, comforting to note that Jesus loved her just the same.

***Prayer***Saint Martha, pray for us that we might serve Jesus better.
Help us to overcome our distractions and worries to listen to his words and be present to him this day. Amen.

Feast days of the week
Tuesday 25 St James, Apostle - feast
Wednesday 26 Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of

***Workshop for Lectors***

*We are organizing a workshop for lectors in our parish next*  ***Saturday July 29, 2017 at St Peter’s Pambula from 10 am to 12 Noon****. I want lectors at all our mass centers to attend this very important workshop. If anyone is unable to attend it please let me know. This is very important, for you are in th*e *service of proclamation of the word of God.*

*Fr James T Antony cmi*