

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS:

29th Sept | Respect Life Sunday | Resources

Head to <https://cgatholic.org.au/respect-life-sunday/> for wonderful downloadable resources from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference for family & friends, pastoral care workers and Healthcare Professionals accompanying the dying in an environment of legalised Voluntary Assisted Dying.

29th Sept | Respect Life Sunday | 11am Mass | 12pm Brunch & Expo | Manuka
Archbishop Christopher will celebrate Respect Life Sunday at the 11am Cathedral Mass followed by a Light Luncheon and Expo of groups supporting and advocating for human life at its most vulnerable. All welcome. Queries lara.kirk@cg.org.au

29th Sept | Respect Life Sunday | Speaker | Haydon Hall

The ACT Right to Life Association is hosting speaker Monica Doumit, on Sunday 29th October at 12:45pm in the Haydon Hall, Manuka. Monica has been influential in legislative battles on life, marriage, and family issues. As the ACT prepares to implement liberal euthanasia laws, she will share insights on the future of the prolife movement. Speaker, Q&A, Refreshments. Contact actrtlassoc@gmail.com



Women's Retreat day, **God's love transforms** hosted by 'Call to Connect'. Guest speakers: Sharon Brewer & Rachel Fleurant MGL On: Saturday 12th October 10am-3.15pm at St Monica's Evatt ACT. Click on QT Code for more details and to register.

13 October | Marriage Encounter Celebrating 50 years of growing great marriages

Are you married, religious or in Holy Orders? Have you attended Marriage Encounter weekend years ago or just recently? Are you looking to regain the sparkle in your marriage and vocation?. Join in the celebration, input and fellowship on Sun 13 October 2-4 pm at Haydon Hall, Manuka.

Enquiries: Grace and Brendan Price gracemaryprice@gmail.com

17 October | Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Mark Ha

Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Forrest, Canberra

18-20 October | Come, Holy Spirit - Archdiocesan Assembly

All are invited to take part in the Archdiocesan Assembly that will explore the theme 'Come Holy Spirit.' This will focus on celebrating the Year of the Holy Spirit and explore new opportunities for evangelisation and synodality in the life and mission of our local Church going forward.



Where Canberra + Narooma + Cooma + Young + Goulburn
When Friday 18th October - Sunday 20th October 2024
Info Detailed information, registration and formation materials available online at cgevangelisation.org.au/assembly



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Churches

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Eden
St Joseph's, Merimbula
St Peter's, Pambula
St Joseph's, Wyndham

Mass Times

1st Saturday of Month
-9:30am, Merimbula
Saturday -5pm, Eden
Sunday -8am, Pambula
-10am, Merimbula
Tuesday -5pm, Merimbula
Wednesday-10am, Pambula
Thursday -10am, Eden
Friday -10am, Merimbula

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Our mission as the Christian community of St Peter's Parish, enlightened and inspired by the Holy Spirit, is to be salt and light through the loving way of our words, actions and respect for the dignity of all, so that others may experience the love of Christ.

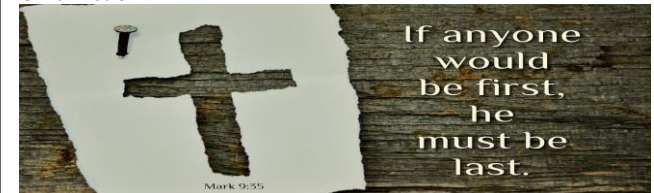
We acknowledge the Yuin people and pay our deepest respects to elder of past, present and emerging from all first nations around the world from whom we have learned so much.

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER, 2024

SEASON OF CREATION REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

Today's Gospel reveals a fearfulness in the disciples' response to Jesus. Afraid of asking too many questions, they almost seem to prefer being ignorant rather than admit the limits of their own understanding. Strangely, this self-imposed ignorance does not prevent them from posturing for position. What a warning for the Church this episode seems to offer! While this excerpt of Mark's Gospel is often interpreted in terms of the virtue of humility, the other aspect of Jesus' point is easily overlooked. Every Christian is called to be 'last of all and servant of all'. Ours is a faith of humble service. The scriptures repeatedly make the point that faith is always embedded in creation. A mountain, a road, a town, and a house all frame the action in this episode. Because the Church exists wherever its members go our beliefs and prayers are not restricted to church buildings. We take our faith on roads, into our homes and towns, and even up mountains. Given this, our faith compels us to have a special care for all of creation. As Jesus clearly intimates, by humbly serving created things we express our love of the Creator who made them all.

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<https://medium.com/@apellazar/empower-your-faith-gospel-reflection-on-mark-9-30-37-489d497c9cc1>

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 / James 3:16 – 4:3 / Mark 9:30-37

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 53:3-6. 8. R. v.6
(R.) The Lord upholds my life.

Gospel Acclamation: See 2 Thessalonians 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Psalm 118:4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Friday, after Mass, Merimbula
Saturday, before Vigil Mass, Eden
Wednesday, after Mass, Pambula

Anointing of the Sick

Will be offered at weekday masses during the last week of every month.

Sacrament of Baptism

Welcoming Mass – 4th Sat/Sun of the month prior to Baptism during Mass on 1st Saturday/Sunday of the month. Please call office for all Baptism preparation enquiries.

Weddings

By appointment only – at least 6 months' notice in advance.

Adoration

Tuesday at 4:15pm followed by Mass at 5pm, Merimbula

1st Sunday at 3:00pm, Eden

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

Sunday 9:30am and Fridays at 9:30am

At St Joseph's Merimbula

Thursday 9:15 am in Eden

Rosary

Monday Cenacle 11am in Merimbula

Wednesday 9:30am in Pambula

Feasts/Special Days:

Mon 23 Sept: St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest (Memorial).

Thurs 26 Sept: Sts Cosmas and Damian, martyrs (Optional).

Fri 27 Sept: St Vincent de Paul, priest (Memorial).

Sat 28 Sept: St Wenceslaus, martyr (Optional); St Lawrence Ruiz & companions, martyrs (Optional).



Dates to Remember:

Sat 28 Sept: Refresher for All Parish Ministries, including Readers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers 10am at St Peter's Pambula, followed by coffee at Oaklands.

Sat 12 Oct: Living Rosary at 10am in front of the Grotto at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Eden.

Tues 22 Oct: Marian Procession at St Peter & Paul's Old Cathedral, Goulburn, at 10am.

Sun 24 Nov: Parish Mass (Feast of Christ the King). More info to come.

Planned Giving Collections:

Planned Giving Collections will be updated next week. THANK YOU to ALL parishioners who continually support our Parish through our plate collections at Mass, through the envelopes and direct banking. Without your financial help our Parish could not continue to function.

Let us pray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers...
Henk Westerlaken, Claudia, Elaine Carter, Damien Lambourn, Baby Olive Delves, Josephine Power, Helen Lynch, John Hazell, Christian Cole, Pat Wong, John Liston, Conrad De Zwart, Jake Alcock, Anne Cooper, Jocelyn Petty, Jeff and Monica Paffen, Glen Alcock, Patricia May Bills, Cliff Hamilton, Margot Neilson, Rob Francis, Chris Greenwood, Margaret Coates, Lyn Collie, Geoff Heffernan, Judy Broddrick, Max Andrew, Ros Beveridge, Eric Mangion, Anselmo Guiffre, David Went.

This Week's Mass Intentions: N/A

We pray for all the faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Fr Brian Ebert, Mary O'Donnell

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of our Lord, rest in Peace. AMEN

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Reading Rosters: 28/29 Sept

Eden:	Pambula:	Merimbula:
Intro & Prayers: Michael G 1 st Reader: Mick Wood 2 nd Reader: Louise	Commentator/2 nd Reading /Prayers of the Faithful: Grace, Lily & Fiona Spinks 1 st Reader: Grace, Lily & Fiona Spinks	Commentator /2 nd Reader: Justin Jefferson 1st Reader: Pat McRae

Celebrating Women of Faith – Catholic Women's Taskforce Fundraising Dinner

The Archdiocese's Women's Taskforce is holding its annual fundraising dinner for MacKillop House on Friday, 1 November 2024 at the Southern Cross Club in Woden. Guest speaker is Ms Sonia de Mezza, CEO of the Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services (MARSS) in Canberra. Tickets are \$75.

Please visit <https://events.humanitix.com/2024-annual-dinner-m6ujpbtb> to purchase tickets.

For further information contact Monica Phelan at monphel@icloud.com.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: FIRST EUCHARIST

Retreat: Fri 25 Oct 4-5:30pm in Merimbula.
Sacrament: Sun 3 Nov, 10am in Merimbula.



PARISH SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT: St Peter's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people to have their say, to be listened to and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking.

COMMUNICATING CONCERNS: You are encouraged to raise any concerns by emailing Fr George, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Volunteer or directly to Maria Hicks at the Institute Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) on ipss@cg.org.au