

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

**ALL ARE INVITED TO COME AND JOIN THE LIVING ROSARY:**  
Saturday 12 October at 10am in front of the Grotto at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden. Afterwards, Morning Tea will be shared in the Mary MacKillop Hall. Please bring a plate to share.

**ALL PARISHIONERS ARE ENCOURAGED AND WELCOME TO REGISTER AND ATTEND THIS HISTORIC EVENT.**

**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](http://cgevangelisation.org.au/assembly)

### Philippines Fundraiser Musical at Lumen Christi Catholic College

Lumen Christi students will be performing the "We Will Rock You" musical, with all profits going to the Franciscan Sisters of St Anthony. Sr Quintilia and Sr Judith will be visiting from Adelaide and attending the show on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October. The 3 shows (Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>, Fri 18<sup>th</sup>, Sat 19<sup>th</sup> October) start at 6:30pm, tickets are \$25 and can be booked online at <https://compasstix.com/> - search for "We Will Rock You".

### 1 November: Catholic Women's Taskforce Annual Fundraising Dinner

This fundraising dinner for MacKillop House, Lyneham will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024 at the Canberra Southern Cross Club from 6.30 pm. For more information or to register go to <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/event/cwtad/> Enquiries: Monica Phelan on 0413 315 486

**Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours:** Are you ready to embark on a life-changing journey that combines your professional experience with meaningful community impact and living our faith in practice? Hear inspiring stories from Palms mission participants at our [Discovery Online](#) session Wednesday 9 October.

Venue: Online via Zoom- Scan the QR or register at [palms.org.au/events](http://palms.org.au/events)

Date: Wednesday 9 October 2024, 7:30-8:30pm

Contact: 02 9560 5333 or [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)



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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

1<sup>st</sup> 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 elders of past, present and emerging from all first nations around the world from whom we have learned so much.

**27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2024**

### REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

'They were testing him.' This sentence is key to understanding this Gospel passage. The Pharisees, having firm ideas about what the rules were, deliberately put a tricky question to Jesus. Unfazed, Jesus questions his questioners: 'What did Moses command you?' After they give a legalistic reply, which he probably expected, Jesus speaks not of commands but of creation. As Pope Francis says, 'Jesus firstly, with the wisdom and authority that come to him from the Father, puts the Mosaic prescription into perspective.' Rules should always serve a higher purpose.

Crucial to Jesus' teaching on marriage is its mutual nature, where lives are joined. It has purpose and meaning. As the Pope puts it, 'the man and woman are called to recognise each other, to complement each other, to help each other.'

Jesus was evidently keen to encourage people to focus on the sacred attributes of marriage more than the issue of divorce itself. Interestingly, he did not even use the word translated for us as 'divorce' until later pressed to do so by the apostles. Even then, he used it in the sense of something done by one party to another. Recognising this, Pope Francis suggests that the Church should always strive 'to make her maternal closeness tangibly felt by those who experience relationships that are broken or that continue in a difficult and trying way.'

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**Genesis 2:18-24 / Hebrews 2:9-11/  
Mark 10:2-16**

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 127. R. v.5**  
(R.) May the Lord bless us  
all the days of our lives.

**Gospel Acclamation: cf 1 John 4:12**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
If we love one another,  
God will live in us in perfect love.  
Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon: Lam 3:25**  
The Lord is good to those who hope in  
him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

*Mark 10:2-16: What God has joined  
together, no one must divide.*

**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

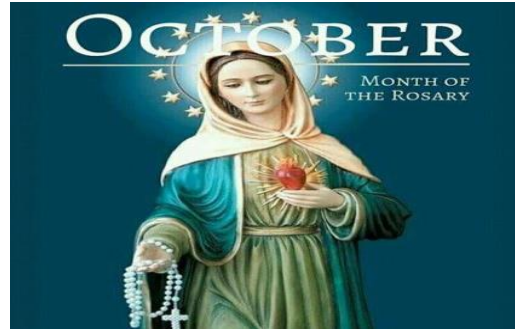
Wednesday 9:30am in Pambula

**Feasts/Special Days:**

**Mon 7 Oct:** Our Lady of the Rosary  
(Memorial).

**Wed 9 Oct:** St Denis, bishop, martyr, &  
companions, martyrs (Optional) & St John  
Leonardi, priest (Optional).

**Fri 11 Oct:** St John XXIII, pope (Optional).



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**Dates to Remember:**

**Sun 13 Oct:** Filipino/Aussie Mass 4pm  
at Merimbula.

**Sun 27 Oct:** Marian Procession at St  
Peter & Paul's Old Cathedral,  
Goulburn, at 10am.

**Fri 25 Oct:** First Eucharist Retreat at 4-  
5:30pm at St Joseph's, Merimbula.

Sun 3 Nov: Sacrament of First  
Eucharist at 10am at St Joseph's,  
Merimbula.

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

**Planned Giving Collections:**

First: \$812.55; Second: Envelopes:  
\$467.00; Loose: \$319.50. ONLINE  
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:  
Credit Card: \$855.00; Direct Debit:  
\$750.00. 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...*  
Christine and Ray Tynan, 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, 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:* Franco Svampa,  
Brian Dawson, Max Andrew, Sarah Clarke, Fr Brian Ebert.

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

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**Reading Rosters: 12/13 Oct**

Eden:	Pambula:	Merimbula:
Intro & Prayers: Eileen McRae 1 <sup>st</sup> Reader: Louise 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader: Michael G	Commentator/2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading /Prayers of the Faithful: Sue Muffler 1 <sup>st</sup> Reader: Celi Kennedy	Commentator /2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader: Suzanne Bourke 1 <sup>st</sup> Reader: Brian Riches

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM:  
FIRST EUCHARIST**

**Retreat:** Fri 25 Oct 4-5:30pm in  
Merimbula.

**Sacrament:** Sun 3 Nov, 10am in  
Merimbula.



**LUNCHING WITH LADIES**

OAKLANDS

NOON SUNDAY OCT 27

Names to Teresa by Thurs Oct 24  
(0408 827 794)

You are invited to **Filipino/Australian**  
Mass on Sunday 13 October: 4pm in  
St Joseph's Church, Merimbula, with  
Fr Loi. The next mass will be on  
Sunday 15 December.

**VICTORY IN CHRIST -  
BREAKTHROUGH WITH HEALING:**

**23 October:** 6.30pm to 8:30pm at  
Mary Help of Christians Church,  
Pearce. Conducted by Lalith Perera,  
Spiritual Director of the Risen Lord  
Community.

**24 October:** 6:30pm to 8:30pm at St  
Brigid's Church, Dickson. Conducted  
by Archbishop Christopher and Lalith  
Perera

Entrance is free

**The Marian Procession:** Sun 27  
October at 10am. An Ecumenical  
Rosary Procession, with Mass  
Celebrated At Goulburn's iconic Old  
Cathedral of Sts Peter and Paul's by  
Archbishop Prowse.

**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](mailto:ipss@cg.org.au)