

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

"Welcome to this special celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. On this day, we gather as one community to honour and celebrate the rich cultural heritage and contributions of our First Nations Peoples to our Australian Catholic Church. As we gather on this sacred land, we acknowledge the Traditional Custodians and honour our Elders past and present, and our young people. Our connection to the land, waters, and skies is deeply rooted in our identity and spirituality. We invite you to join us in respecting and cherishing this connection, as it is vital to our shared journey of faith."

(<https://www.natsicc.org.au/2024-atsi-sunday.html#rb>)

MARY MACKILLOP PILGRIMAGE TO EDEN 3RD AUGUST, 2024

It's that time of the year again! Our Parish has invited Pilgrims to join with Archbishop Christopher Prowse as he journeys to Eden on 3rd August for his annual pilgrimage to commemorate Australia's first saint - St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. 11am walk from Eden AFL grounds.

Mass is celebrated at 12pm in Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden, followed by a shared lunch. As in past years, we will be calling upon Parishioners to assist either with some food or just to be there and make our Pilgrims feel welcome. Please book in via this link to allow for catering [Archbishop's St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage](#) Or on our web page.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

A NOTE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE: I WILL BE WORKING REMOTELY DURING JULY/AUG/SEPT AND WILL BE WORKING MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS 9AM-3PM. FOR ANY BULLETIN NOTICES, MASS INTENTIONS, ETC, IT IS BEST TO CONTACT ME VIA EMAIL. I WILL ALSO HAVE THE PARISH MOBILE. THANKYOU KINDLY, ALICIA O'CONNOR.

Dates to Remember:

Sat 29 June: Sts Peter and Paul (Solemnity) Mass at 10am St Peter's Pambula.

Vigil mass at 5pm at Eden.

Sat 6 July: Mass at 9:30am Merimbula.

Sat 3 Aug: Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage, 11am walk; 12pm Mass; lunch to follow.

Wed 28 Aug: Lumen Day Mass at Lumen Christi Catholic College. All welcome. Time TBA.

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

Sat 12 Oct: Living Rosary at 11am in Eden.

Sun 27 Oct: Marian Procession at Goulburn. Details to come.

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

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Bible Study next Monday 8 July. We will resume as normal on Monday 15 July at 12:30pm in the St Clement's Anglican Church Hall, Merimbula.



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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 elders of past, present and emerging from all first nations around the world from whom we have learned so much.

**14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER SUNDAY
Sunday 7th July, 2024**

REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

The lack of acceptance that Jesus encountered in 'his home town,' Pope Francis suggests, was the product of habit and prejudice. As the Pope points out, 'it is difficult to open ourselves to what is new and allow ourselves to be amazed.'

Jesus has something of an image problem, in the sense that his fellow countryfolk had a certain image of him they could not shake off. They saw a tradesman, whose family they knew, yet Jesus confounded their preconceptions.

Today's Gospel remains especially relevant for those who cling to certain images of Jesus. There is a risk, the Pope says, that we 'think we know Jesus, that we already know so much about Him and that it is enough to repeat the same things as always.' We can easily slip into comforting habits of religion and a prejudicial type of belief. The Pope encourages us to embrace 'openness to what is new' and 'openness to God's surprises.' He wants us to be amazed again! As the Pope puts it, we should be amazed because 'God incarnated Himself: God is humble, God is tender, God is hidden, he draws near to us, living the normality of our daily life.' And what is more amazing than the idea of God being among us?

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Ezekiel 2:2-5 / 2 Corinthians

12:7-10 / Mark 6:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 122. R. v.2

(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation: See Luke 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Psalm 33:9

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

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 9am in Pambula

Feasts/Special Days:

Sun 7 July: National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.

Tues 9 July: St Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, and companions, martyrs (Optional).

Thurs 11 July: St Benedict, abbot (Memorial).

Sat 13 July: St Henry (Optional).



Reading Rosters: 13/14 July

Eden:	Pambula:	Merimbula:
Intro & Prayers: Eileen McRae	Commentator /2nd Reading /Prayers of the Faithful: Mary	Commentator /2nd Reader: Brian Riches
1st Reader: Gaye	2nd Reader: Michael G	1st Reader: Gai Jacobs
	1st Reader: Celi Kennedy	

Planned Giving Collections:

First: \$878.60; Second: Envelopes: \$405.50; Loose: \$272.80. 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... 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, Mary O'Donnell, Judy Broddrick, Max Andrew, Ros Beveridge, Eric Mangion, Anselmo Guiffre, David Went.

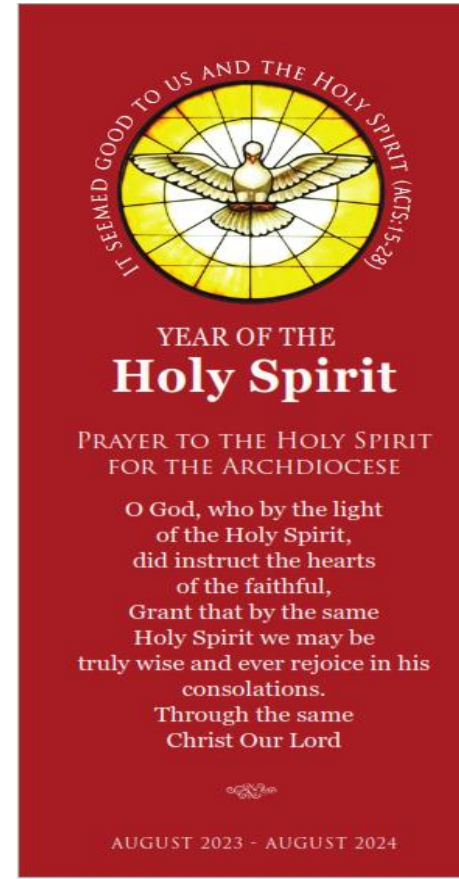
This Week's Mass Intentions: John Hulme (Anniversary).

We pray for all the faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Luigi Gianfrotta (Anniversary), Gerrit Westerlaken (RIP).

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

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM
Sacrament of First Eucharist

Who?	Students in Year 4 and above who are baptised Catholics and have made their First Reconciliation
Parent Formation session	Wednesday 28th August 6:30pm St Joseph's Church Merimbula. Pizza from 6pm Child minding available
Enrolment Mass	Eden - Saturday 14th September 5pm Merimbula - Sunday 15th September 10am
Retreat	Friday 25th October 4-5:30pm St Joseph's Church Merimbula
Sacrament	Sunday 3rd November 10am St Joseph's Church Merimbula.
Contact	Parish Office for enrolment form and more information.



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 ips@cg.org.au