### **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**



Women's Eucharistic Retreat Day Canberra: 24 June: Women of all ages are invited to join the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia for a retreat day. This day will help you grow in your love for and devotion to the gift of the Holy Eucharist. In addition to talks and discussion, the day will include time for silence and prayer during a Holy Hour. An opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Morning tea and lunch are provided. (Cost: \$20) register here at (https://www.trybooking.com/CGYGI)

LADIES WHO LUNCH....THE NEXT WOMEN'S LUNCH WILL BE HELD AT OAKLANDS ON SUNDAY 25TH JUNE COMMENCING AT NOON. PLEASE CALL OR TEXT TERESA ON 0408 827 794 BY WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE. ALL WOMEN IN THE PARISH ARE MOST WELCOME.





A special thank you to *Stephen Cocks* for donating the Flag Pole and Australian Flag for the Mary MacKillop Museum. The flag is flying proudly behind the statue of Mary MacKillop. If you have a flag that you wish to be flown at the museum (for example, an Irish flag for St Patrick's Day) please contact Jenny Horton on 0447 340 551.

# **Rosters for 17/18 June 2023**

Eden:

Intro & Prayers: TBA 1st Reader: TBA 2nd Reader: TBA

#### Pambula:

Commentator/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading/Prayers of the Faithful: Grace, Lily & Fiona Spinks 1st Reader: Grace, Lily & Fiona Spinks

### Merimbula:

Commentator/2<sup>nd</sup> Reader: Helen

First Reader: Brian



# **CONTACT DETAILS Parish Priest**

Fr George Ogah

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Mrs Bernadette Wood

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### **Marriage Preparations**

Damien & Celi Kennedy

### **Parish Office**

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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-9:30am, Pambula Thursday -9:30am, Eden Friday -9:30am, 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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2023** 

# **REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate**

### The Maternal Jesus

I once saw a young mother discreetly breastfeeding her baby during Mass, and thought ... 'What a wonderful thing!' There could not be a better illustration, a better acting out of what Jesus says in today's Gospel: 'The one who eats me will live.'

Of course, even mothers who find they cannot breastfeed offer the same gift for nine months as the baby draws its life from the mother's body in the womb. This is a good analogy for what Our Lord was teaching in today's Gospel. 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them.' Notice the very maternal language. The risen Lord truly abides in us, we truly abide in the risen Lord. This is as intimate as the baby dwelling in the womb of its mother.

Moreover, it is a Holy communion which is both a present reality and a foretaste and promise about our place in God's future: 'The one who eats this bread will live forever.'

We could pause for a moment to pray with St Thomas Aguinas: 'Oh Sacred Banquet in which Christ is received and a pledge of future glory is given to us.' © Fr Michael Tate: mtate@bigpond.com

# Dt 8:2-3. 14-16/1 Cor 10:16-17 /Jn 6:51-58

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 147:12-15. 19-20. R. v.12

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. **Gospel Acclamation: Jn 6:51-52** 

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

# **Communion Antiphon: Jn 6:57**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

### **Reconciliation** (Confession)

Friday, after Mass, Merimbula Saturday, before Vigil Mass, Eden Sunday, before 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 ring 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 4:30pm At St Joseph's Merimbula

# Rosary

Monday Cenacle 11am in Merimbula Tuesday 4:30pm in Merimbula Wednesday 9am in Pambula Thursday 8:45am in Eden



# FEAST/SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

Sun 11 June: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi, Solemnity). Tues 13 June: St Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor (Memorial).

Fri 16 June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity). Sat 17 June: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial).

### **Dates to Remember:**

- ❖Sun 11 June: <u>Jazz Festival</u> <u>Ecumenical Service</u> at St Joseph's Church at 11:30am.
- \*Thurs 15 June: Sacrament of First Reconciliation at St Joseph's Church, Merimbula from 6:30pm.
- Fri 16 June: <u>Sacred Heart of Jesus</u> (<u>Solemnity</u>)- Merimbula at 9.30am.
- Sat 24 June: <u>Nativity of John the</u> <u>Baptist (Solemnity)</u>- Merimbula at 9.30am.
- ◆Thurs 29 June: <u>Saints Peter and Paul</u> (Solemnity)- Eden at 9.30am.
- ❖Sat 19 Aug: Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage, 11am, Eden Church.
- ❖Sun 20 Aug: <u>Sacrament of</u> Confirmation, 10am, Merimbula.

# **Planned Giving Collections:**

First: \$969.10; Second: Envelopes: \$295.00; Loose: \$332.00. 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...

Anne Cooper, Chris Tynan, Jocilyn Petty, Jennifer Crawford, , Jeff and Monica Paffen, Glen

Alcock, Lynette Robert, Robyn Roberts, Patricia May Bills, Don Larkins, Cliff Hamilton, Suzanne Montgomery, Margot Neilson, Rob Francis, Peter Lewis, Chris Greenwood, Margaret Coates, Lyn Collie, Geoff Heffernan, Mary O'Donnell, Judy O'Donnell, John Reynolds, Max Andrew, Ros Beveridge, Eric Mangion, Anselmo Guiffre, David Went.

Mass Intentions: Stumpy Wallis (anniversary), Trevor Ballintyne (anniversary), Keith Brown (RIP), Vince Miskelly (anniversary) and his wife Ronda Miskelly (bereaved), Anne Riches (anniversary).

We pray for all the Faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Michael Sheppard, David Smith, Henrietta Voermans, Keith Brown; Anniversaries- Stumpy Wallis, Anne Riches.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of our bord, rest in Peace. Amen

### **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

# Feast of Corpus Christi - Sunday 11 June 2023

Before Mass in Merimbula there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration commencing at 9am. Please come early to adore our Lord in the Eucharist on this important day of the Feast of the

Body and Blood of Christ.

Come along to the

<u>Merimbula Jazz Festival Ecumenical Service:</u>

St Joseph's Church,

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11:30am

We are excited to welcome people from all faiths to the Merimbula Jazz Festival
Ecumenical Service to be held in St Joseph's Church. Always popular, the service offers gospel music and a good dose of jazz to cleanse the soul and refresh the spirit. All are welcome to come along and join in the music, fun and worship. Fr George and Anglican Reverend Chris Duff will lead the prayers and are working closely with the Festival organisers to plan the service.



### FIRST RECONCILIATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM:

Friday 9th June - Reconciliation Retreat at St Joseph's Church, Merimbula 4-6pm.

Thursday 15th June - Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Joseph's Church, Merimbula from 6:30Pm.