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Why have intentions at Holy Mass?

"Holy Mass makes present among us the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. There is no greater prayer known to humanity, because Holy Mass is the perfect offering of the Son of God to his heavenly Father. In offering Holy Mass for a specific intention, the priest prays God that the fruits of Christ's redemptive sacrifice be applied to the requested intention, for the spiritual and temporal good of the person(s) concerned." (http://www.glossopcatholics.org.uk/holy-mass-for-your-intention/)

PARISH CALENDAR: Over the next few weeks, Fr George and Alicia will be working on a Parish Calendar for 2024. We aim to display one at each Church. Please email any important dates, feast celebrations, masses, liturgies, bible study sessions, morning teas, etc, that occur during the year and we will endeavour to include it in the calendar. Email suggestions to pambula@cg.org.au

NEEDS OF LAY CATHOLICS TODAY: What do adult lay Catholics need today to help them live a committed Catholic life amid the circumstances of modern society? To find out and to help improve their services to our Archdiocese, the Canberra Circle of The Catenians, an international association of lay Catholics, is conducting an Archdiocesan-wide online survey. Please help by completing this brief, anonymous, tick-box survey via this URL or QR code. Thank you.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CLTZGMW

Contact: Phil Murray, President, Canberra Catenians 0419 695 927 or phil13murray@gmail.com

LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC COLLEGE:

Orientation Days

Kindergarten 2024 (For enrolled students)

Day 1 Thursday 2 November 2023 – 9am to 10:15am

Day 2 Tuesday 7 November 2023 – 9am to 10:15am Day 3 Thursday 16 November 2023 – 9am to 10:30am

Day 4 Tuesday 21 November 2023 – 9am to 10:30am

Children attend all 4 days and bring a drink. Parents drop off

Days 1 – 3 and invited to stay Day 4 for an Information Session

Year 7 2024 (For enrolled students)

Wednesday 22 November 2023 - 9:00am to 3:20pm

Students wear their primary sports uniform and runners. Please bring a

pencil case, recess, lunch, drink & hat. A sausage sizzle will be held at lunchtime. For further information please contact the Enrolments Officer on 6495 8888 or email locc@cg.catholic.edu.au

Rosters for 21/22 Oct

Eden:	Pambula:	Merimbula:
Intro & Prayers: Sue 1st Reader: Mick Wood	Commentator/2 nd Reading/Prayers of the	Commentator/2 nd Reader: Brian
2 nd Reader: Gaye	Faithful: Jason Harley 1st Reader: Diana Harley	First Reader: Suezanne





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Fr George Ogah

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Damien & Celi Kennedy

Parish Office

Hours - 9am to 3pm Wednesday and Thursday Phone - 0435 036 236 Email - pambula@cg.org.au Web - www.cg.org.au/pambula Address - 79 Main Street | PO Box 249, Merimbula, NSW, 2548

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 -6pm, 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.

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 15th October, 2023

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate Wedding Garments at Baptisms!

The servants of the king went out and gathered in 'all whom they found, good and evil alike'. They respond, drawn by the attractive prospect of sharing in the life of the Lord of the Feast, and they are welcomed, whether good or evil.

What about the king's (God's) question to the wedding guest? 'My friend, how come you are here without a wedding garment?' The guest might have replied: 'Because of dire poverty', or 'Lack of time', but the story goes on, 'But the guest was silent'. The guest was tongue-tied because he was caught out having decided not to enter into the spirit of the occasion.

That is why, at every baptism, we look for a signal of commitment to respond to the spirit of the occasion, by the wearing of a white garment. This anticipates the later receiving of Holy Communion which is a foretaste of the Feast of Heaven.

We could pause for a moment at this Mass to enter into the Spirit of the occasion wearing the garment of our baptismal commitment.

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Isaiah 25:6-10/Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20/ Matthew 22:1-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22. R. v.6

(R.) I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Gospel Acclamation: See Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Cf Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Matthew 22:1-14:

Whomsoever you find invite to the wedding.

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 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:

Mon 16 Oct: St Hedwig, religious (Optional), St Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin (Optional).

<u>Tues 17 Oct:</u> St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr (Memorial).

Wed 18 Oct: St Luke, evangelist (Feast). Thurs 19 Oct: Sts John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, priests, companions, martyrs (Optional); and St Paul of the Cross, priest (Optional).

Dates to Remember:

- Sun 22 Oct: World Mission Day (Holy See).
- ❖ Wed 1 Nov: All Saints Day: Mass 10am at Pambula.
- ❖Thurs 2 Nov: All Souls Day: Mass 10am at Eden.
- ❖ Fri 3 Nov: Remembrance Mass at 10am at St Joseph's, morning tea to follow.
- Sun 19 Nov: World Day of the Poor (Holy See).

Planned Giving Collections:

23/24 Sep: First: \$815.95; Second: Envelopes: \$445.50; Loose: \$367.75.
30 Sep/1 Oct: First: \$800.60; Second: Envelopes: \$241.50; Loose: \$300.50.
7/8 Oct: First: \$638.70; Second: Envelopes: \$610.50; Loose: \$260.90.
ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SEPT: Credit Card: \$760.00; Direct Debit: \$545.00. 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 Fray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers...

Conrad De Zwart, Jake Alcock, Anne Cooper, Jocelyn Petty, Jennifer Crawford, Jeff and Monica Paffen, Glen Alcock, Lynette Robert, Patricia May Bills, Cliff Hamilton, Suzanne Montgomery, Margot Neilson, Rob Francis, 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: Norm Gresch (RIP), Thomas Bryan Maher (Anniversary 8 Oct), Pamela O'Grady (RIP).

We pray for all the Faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Danielle Sou (Anniversary 10 Oct), Irene Spinks (Anniversary 17 Oct).

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

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Sunday 22 October is World Mission Day. Please support the Catholic Mission appeal occurring on Sat 21 and Sun 22 October. Appeal envelopes will be available in each Church. One week prior to the appeal:



With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality.

We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need. $% \label{eq:control}$

<u>Cleaners needed:</u> if you are able to join the roster of clever cleaners at St Joseph's Church, please contact the Parish Office.

A NOTE AS WE APPROACH NOVEMBER - THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

November is dedicated to praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory and those that have departed from this life – our family, friends and loved ones. You may take additional time during November to pray for the souls, they need our prayers, as they too will pray for us when they reach the eternal life in Heaven. If you wish to make an Offering in honour of your dearly departed loved one/s, envelopes are in the Church.

REMEMBRANCE MASS: This year's REMEMBRANCE MASS, in which we remember those parishioners who have died in the past 12 months, will be held at 10am at St Joseph's on Friday Nov 3, followed by morning tea in the courtyard. If you have lost a family member in the past 12 months and would like their name included in the Mass that day, please contact Teresa (0408 827 794) by Oct 30. Thank you.