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"In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

Contact Sr Annie Bond (Mission & Ministries Manager). Itinerary and application form available at <u>national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au</u> or on 89124818.

<u>CARDS GROUP</u>: Frustration and Canasta: Please join us on Wednesdays from 1-3pm downstairs in the RSL club. No cost.





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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 Saturday -5pm, Eden Sunday -8am, Pambula -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.

> 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 27th August, 2023 WELCOME FR BERNIE PATTERSON SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

REFLECTION REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate *What's in a Name?*

Jesus had a sense of humour! Simon, son of Jonah, was far from being a rock solid supporter of Jesus. So Jesus gave him the nickname 'Rocky' which in the Greek is Petros.

Jesus puns with the nickname: 'You are Rocky and upon this rock I will build *my* church.' The natural personality of shifting sands was being transformed by the blessing just given (the only blessing bestowed upon an apostle by Jesus). Notice that Jesus only makes promises about '*my* church', not a church shaped by human imagination, e.g. modes of Roman Imperial rule or with a Eurocentric mindset.

Fortunately, we have a successor of St Peter responding to our Risen Lord's command to St Francis of Assisi, 'Rebuild *my* church'. We could pause for a moment to pray that the Risen Lord showers the 265th successor of St Peter with every blessing so that the Church of Jesus the Christ continues to prevail over the forces of death which threaten humanity.

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Isaiah 22:19-23/Romans 11:33-36/ Matthew 16:13-20

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 137:1-3.6.8. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands. **Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 16:18**

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;

the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Cf Psalm 103:13-15

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;

you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

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:

Sun 27 Aug: Social Justice Sunday. <u>Mon 28 Aug:</u> St Augustine, bishop, doctor (Memorial). <u>Tues 29 Aug:</u> The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr (Memorial). <u>Fri 1 Sept:</u> World Day of Prayer for Creation (Holy See).

Dates to Remember: Sun 3rd Sept: Father's Day We welcome and thank the following priest who will lead us in Mass: 2/3 Sept: Fr Alex Osborne



Planned Giving Collections:

First: \$1,219.80; Second: Envelopes: \$190.50; Loose: \$526.40. 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.

> Matthew 16:13-20: Jesus asks, "Who do people say I am?"

Let Us Pray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers... Jake Alcock, Judy Bottom, Anne Cooper, Ray Tynan, Jocilyn Petty, Jennifer Crawford, Jeff and Monica Paffen, Glen Alcock, Lynette Robert, Robyn Roberts, 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: Leonie Corkhill (RIP); Jake Alcock (prayers).

We pray for all the Faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Peter Lewis (RIP), Allan O'Connell (RIP); Leonie Corkhill (RIP).

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

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<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> DURING FR GEORGE'S ABSENCE, THERE WILL BE <u>NO</u> WEEKDAY MASSES.

Weekday mass will resume the week beginning Monday 11 September, 2023.

- Liturgy will be held at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden, on Tuesdays at 8am and Thursdays at 9:30am.
- <u>Rosary, quiet prayer and Divine Mercy Chaplet</u> at St Joseph's Church, Merimbula, on Fridays at the new time of **3pm.**

Archdiocesan Vocations Awareness Week: 24-31 August has been nominated as Archdiocesan Vocations Awareness Week. More Vocations information can be found at <u>www.facebook.com/cgvocations</u> 27 – 29 October | Marriage Enrichment Weekend

Join other couples in an opportunity for to learn to become the best version of

yourselves together and live your best life in love at a Marriage Encounter Weekend in a Covid safe environment at a stunning & tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney. Location: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW Enquiries: Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au Book online: at www.wwme.org.au

> O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise be to you! Amen. POPE FRANCIS (Laudato Si' 246)