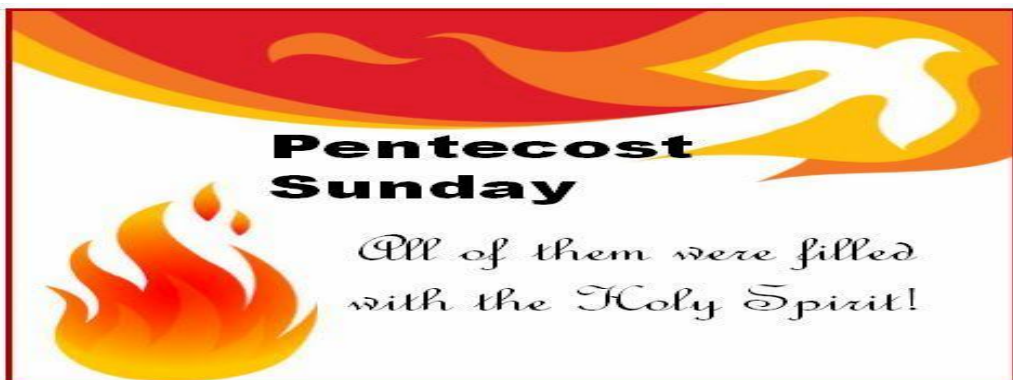


PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE, MERIMBULA - good works

We are seeking new members to assist locals who bring their needs before the Conference. This work is done from our room at the Vinnies store on Tuesday and Friday mornings. There is also a meeting of the Conference one Monday afternoon a month. The monthly time commitment is approximately six hours. If you want more information or can help out, speak with any of us after Mass or leave your name and contact details with the Parish Office and one of us will be in contact with you.

Frank Davey, Gai Jacobs, Garry Clear, Gwenda Blake, Warren Thomas, Teresa Hamer and Phil Roach

"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Jesus. Mt 25:40

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>)

FIRST RECONCILIATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM:

Children in Year 4 and above, who have been baptised as Catholic and wish to take the next step in the practice of their faith are invited to make this sacrament.

20th/21st, 27th/28th May; 3rd/4th, 10th/11th June- Family Masses at Eden 5pm on Saturday and Merimbula at 10am on Sunday.

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.



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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.

Pentecost Sunday
Sunday 28th May, 2023

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The Bush Fire of Pentecost

As summer progresses in Australia, invariably great bushfires break out. Those who report the infernos speak not only of the flames, but often of a mighty roar like a great windstorm heralding the approaching fire.

The earth had quaked at the death of Jesus, but death had been conquered and the earth was supercharged with divine energy and vitality. Into all this the Risen Lord sent his Holy Spirit like a lightning strike. Divine energy was unleashed and St Luke portrays this particular event in our bushfire terms. The Holy Spirit, he says, was 'like tongues of fire' and 'like the sound of a mighty wind' accompanying the descent of the Holy Spirit on a gathering of a fearful group of followers of Our Lord.

The tangled undergrowth of fear, anxiety and timidity was cleared away. The new life of the church was germinated, took root and has been growing ever since, listening to the core message preached by St Peter: Jesus of Nazareth had conquered death and Peter and others were witnesses to the Risen Lord.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the successor of St Peter that he may preach the resurrection in a way which is understandable by people of every culture, every ethnicity, every language group around the world.

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**Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 /
Jn 20:19-23**

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Acts 2:4,11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

Children's Liturgy

Every 4th Sunday - 10am, Merimbula

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

*As the Father sent me, so I send you:
Receive the Holy Spirit.*

**FEAST/SPECIAL
DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Sun 28 May: Pentecost
Sunday (Solemnity).

Mon 29 May: The Blessed
Virgin Mary, Mother of the
Church (Memorial).

Wed 31 May: The Visitation
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
(Feast).

Thurs 1 June: St Justin,
martyr (Memorial).

Fri 2 June: Sts Marcellinus
and Peter, martyrs
(Optional).

Sat 3 June: Sts Charles
Lwanga & companions,
martyrs (Memorial).

Dates to Remember:

❖Thurs 15 June: Sacrament of First
Reconciliation at St Joseph's Church,
Merimbula from 6:30pm.

❖Sat 19 Aug: Mary MacKillop
Pilgrimage, 11am, Eden Church.

❖Sun 20 Aug: Sacrament of
Confirmation, 10am, Merimbula
Church.



Planned Giving Collections:

First: \$754.85; Second: Envelopes:
\$412.00; Loose: \$372.05. 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 ...
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), Anne Cooper (ill health).

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

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

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**WE WELCOME FR JAMES O'REILLY
WHO WILL CELEBRATE MASS IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEKEND.**

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be Weekday Mass on Wednesday 31st May,
however, the Parish Office will be closed on this day.**

"Year of Walking Together":

The next Walk and Talk will be held in Merimbula on Sunday 4 June,
2023. Meet at Spencer Park at 2.00pm. Please join us for a time of
walking and sharing our journey together.

Feast of Corpus Christi - Sunday 11 June 2023

Before Mass in Merimbula there will be Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament and Adoration commencing at 9.15am. Please come early
to adore our Lord in the Eucharist on this important day of the Feast of
the Body and Blood of Christ.

Solemnities in June: All Welcome!

The following major Solemnities are on the Liturgical calendar for June.
Masses will be celebrated on these days:

Sacred Heart of Jesus - Friday 16 June, Merimbula at 9.30am.

Nativity of John the Baptist - Saturday 24 June, Merimbula at 9.30am.

Saints Peter and Paul - Thursday 29 June, Eden at 9.30am.

MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY:

**ROSARY WILL BE PRAYED BEFORE SATURDAY/SUNDAY MASS
DURING THE MONTH OF MAY FOR MERIMBULA AND EDEN
AND AFTER SUNDAY MASS IN PAMBULA, COMMENCING 1/2
HOUR BEFORE SUNDAY MASS.**