

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

“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 national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or on 89124818.

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

Reminder: Morning tea after 10am Mass at St Joseph's, Merimbula this Sunday. If you are able, please bring a plate of food to share. Thank you.



Rosters for 9/10Sept

Eden:

Intro & Prayers:
Eileen McRae
1st Reader: Gaye
2nd Reader: Michael
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Pambula:

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

Merimbula:

Commentator/2nd
Reader: Suezanne
First Reader: Pat

It was wonderful to see everyone who attended and supported the **St Mary Mackillop Pilgrimage**. We had a happy and fabulous day honouring Mary MacKillop. So fabulous to see so many visitors. Lead by Archbishop Christopher, so happy to see Fr Adrian, Fr Tran, and Fr Jorge join us and concelebrate Mass. Sr Marie gave us an inspirational talk concluding with “Be calm, full of hope and do what you can,” Thanks also for your generosity, so many offers of help, beautiful food, and making our Pilgrims welcome. Lumen Christi and St Mary MacKillop College were tremendous with their support. The Choir was magnificent. Thanks also to all the Pastoral Council members who made it a successful day. We will be back again next year.

Blessings
Bernadette Wood (PPC Chair)



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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



CATHOLIC PARISH OF
PAMBULA

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.

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sunday 3rd September, 2023
FATHERS DAY
WELCOME FR ALEX OSBORNE

REFLECTION

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

'Get behind me, Satan'

We have to get one terrible thought out of our heads, i.e. that the Heavenly Father of Jesus wanted him to suffer a tortured, agonising death. Yet we do say: 'It was necessary that Jesus suffer and die.' What can this mean? I believe this refers to the necessity of divine mission and the necessity of divine love. First, it was the Father's will that Jesus remain true to the mission to preach and embody the gospel of mercy and forgiveness. It was inevitable that powerful elites would find this intolerable and have Jesus eliminated. Secondly, God so loved the world where death ravages human beings, that God determined to absorb the suffering and pangs of death.

The temptation to avoid that dread-ful necessity lead Jesus to rebuke Peter: 'Get behind me, Satan', a terrible variation of the initial call: 'Come, follow me.'

We could pause for a moment to very consciously make the sign of the Cross, the consequence of Jesus' mission and love for us.

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Jeremiah 20:7-9/Romans 12:1-2/Matthew 16:21-27

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

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: Psalm 30:20

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

FEAST/SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

Fri 8 Sept: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast).

Sat 9 Sept: St Peter Claver, priest (Optional).

Dates to Remember:

- ❖ Sun 3rd Sept: Father's Day
- ❖ Sun 3rd Sept: Morning tea after Mass at Merimbula.



WISHING ALL OUR FATHERS, GRANDFATHERS, FATHER-FIGURES AS WELL AS OUR PRIESTS A WONDERFUL FATHER'S DAY TODAY!

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

Planned Giving Collections:

First: \$795.75; Second: Envelopes: \$547.50; Loose: \$344.25. 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 16:21-27:
Jesus reveals his future death, rebukes Peter.**

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, Jocelyn 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: Michael McCowage (RIP).

We pray for all the Faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Michael McCowage (RIP), 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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PLEASE NOTE: DURING FR GEORGE'S ABSENCE, THERE WILL BE NO 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.
- Rosary, quiet prayer and Divine Mercy Chaplet at St Joseph's Church, Merimbula, on Fridays at the new time of **3pm.**

Father's Day Appeal – Collection for Retired Priests:

Please give generously to the Father's Day Appeal conducted at all Masses this weekend. Special envelopes are provided in the church and donors will be issued with a tax deductible receipt. Donations can also be made at www.cgatholic.org.au/donate

Envelopes will be available after each weekend mass and can be returned on the day or over the next couple of weeks into the 2nd collection bag please.

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

Aid to the Church in Need is running an emergency campaign for Pakistan. Recently up to 24 churches, hundreds of Christian homes and a Christian cemetery were targeted in an attack in Pakistan which was sparked by reports of blasphemy allegations against two Christians accused of desecrating the Qur'an. ACN is working with project partners on the ground to aid the current needs of the Christian people. To learn more and to make an offering visit www.aidtochurch.org/pakistanappeal