

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

### 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.



### 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.

**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.



#### **Parish Priest**

Fr George Ogah

#### **Parish Secretary**

Mrs Alicia O'Connor

#### **Parish Council Chair**

Mrs Bernadette Wood

#### **Liturgy Coordinator**

Ms Sue Heffernan

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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**

1<sup>st</sup> 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 Trinity Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2023**

#### **REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate**

#### ***Painting the Picture of God***

When he was crucified Jesus uttered: 'It is finished.' What had finished? His earthly ministry during which he painted a picture of the most intimate communion between Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, so intimate that the Church needed a new word: 'Tri-Unity' or 'Trinity' for short.

God is pulsating, shimmering light, dancing in threefold exchange of love, each being simultaneously poured into the other. God is 'Being-In-Love' and love is always relational.

'You are made in the image and likeness of God'? Because of the ministry of Jesus Christ, we know what that really means. We are made to live in relationship – not in solitary.

If we think that the ultimate good is to be self-sufficient/autonomous, that leads to a hellish existence. When we live with as much self-giving as is possible, we are on the way to a heavenly existence. We could pause for a moment to give thanks for the revelation of the nature of God, and consequently of the true nature of human beings.

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**Ex 34:4-6. 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18**

**Responsorial Psalm: Dn 3:52-56. R. v.52**

(R.) Glory and praise for ever!

**Gospel Acclamation: See Apoc 1:8**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon: Gal 4:6**

Since you are children of God,

God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his  
Son,

the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

**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

*God sent his Son to save  
the world through him.*

**FEAST/SPECIAL**

**DAYS THIS WEEK:**

**Sun 4 June:** The Most Holy  
Trinity (Solemnity).

**Mon 5 June:** St Boniface,  
bishop, martyr (Memorial).

**Tues 6 June:** St Norbert,  
bishop (Optional) or St  
Marcellin Champagnat,  
religious (Optional).

**Fri 9 June:** St Ephrem,  
deacon, doctor (Optional).

**Dates to Remember:**

- ❖ Sun 11 June: Jazz Festival  
Ecumenical Service at St Joseph's  
Church at 11:30am.
- ❖ 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: \$679.15; Second: Envelopes:  
\$495.00; Loose: \$414.90. 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 Lord, rest in peace. Amen**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** The **Parish Office** will be closed on **Thursday 8 June**, as **Alicia**  
attends the **Office Deanery Day in Narooma**.

**"Year of Walking Together":** Walk and Talk will be held in Merimbula this  
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.



**Come along to the  
Merimbula Jazz Festival Ecumenical Service:  
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.