

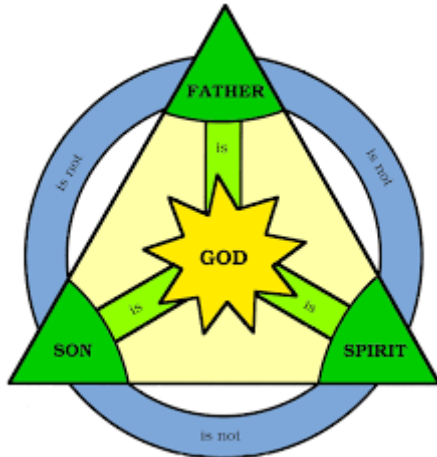
**ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH OF PAMBULA**

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**BLESSED TRINITY SUNDAY**

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020



Dear friends of the Holy Trinity,  
Happy Feast Day!! Good News, we can open the church for prayer and celebrating our sacraments in a limited way. Both churches in Merimbula and Eden will be opened daily for personal prayers and devotions from 9am to 5pm.

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity. The mystery of the most Holy Trinity is a basic doctrine of Faith in Christianity, understandably not with our heads but with our hearts. It teaches us that there are three distinct Persons in one God, sharing the same Divine Nature, co-equal and co-eternal. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine which teaches that  $1+1+1 = 1$  and not 3. But we believe in this Mystery because Jesus, who is God, taught it clearly, the Evangelists recorded it, the Fathers of the Church tried to explain it, and the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian Faith

All prayers in the Church begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity and end glorifying the Trinity. All Sacraments are administered (we are baptized, confirmed, anointed, our sins are forgiven, our marriage is blessed, and our Bishops, priests and deacons are ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity. Church bells ring thrice daily, reminding us to give glory to the Holy Trinity for the Incarnation of Jesus and His Redemption of all of us. We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the Name of the Holy Trinity.

**PROJECT COMPASSION 2020**

**WE CAN STILL PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE ACROSS OUR WORLD**

'Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things, with great love' (*Saint Teresa of Calcutta*)

Through your generosity during Project Compassion in 2020, you are empowering communities with hope and helping those in need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. Mindful of all the needs here locally in our own community perhaps we can give 'something small with great love'. 'We have all known the long loneliness, and we have found that the answer is community'. (*Dorothy Day*) <https://lent.caritas.org.au>

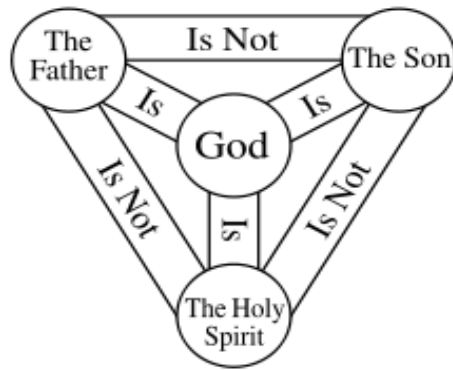
**The Month of June is the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION**

3 o'clock prayer - the hour of great mercy

Jesus said: Call upon my mercy on behalf of sinners; I desire their salvation. When you say this prayer, with a contrite heart and with faith on behalf of some sinner, I will give that person the grace of conversion.

**Let us pray:** O Blood and Water which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a Fount of Mercy for us, I trust in you. Jesus, I trust in You.



### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. +

### REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The readings for this feast do not directly explain the doctrine of the Trinity as we have come to know it. Rather, they offer us glimpses into the nature of our Triune God. The psalm response suggests that our primary response to God should be one of praise for the love that God has for us.

The God who is beyond our comprehension is also the God who has saved us. We see this theme in both the first reading and the gospel. The covenant language in the reading from Exodus underscores God's unfathomable goodness. God's graciousness and mercy are not rewards for our fidelity. They are extended to us in our sinfulness. It is God's saving grace that transforms us, not any merit on our part. In the gospel we are assured that Jesus was sent into the world to save it, not to condemn it.

The Trinitarian phrase found in the letter to the Corinthians is so expressive of the love that God has for us that it has been incorporated regularly into the liturgy. It declares that through his death and resurrection, Jesus has opened for us the treasury of divine grace. It also proclaims that the love of God has forged the bonds of community that unite us. Created in the image and after the likeness of this God, we are called to unity among ourselves. As incomprehensible as it may seem, it is primarily through the unity that we share that we will manifest the unity that exists in God.

### Updated Archdiocesan Protocols

As from Monday 1st June a maximum of 50 people are allowed to attend church at any given time for private prayer or Mass. Social distancing of 1.5m is to be maintained. Sign-in book is provided prior to entry. You must register your details and provide your contact details to ensure, if needed, that contact tracing can occur. All who wish to attend Mass are required to register with the Parish Office by calling 64951880 during Office hours or email (pambula@cg.org.au) outside Office Hours. Please do not "just turn up" as this will contravene current NSW Government Guidelines.

If you decide to attend Mass, please adhere to these rules:

- There will be no procession of gifts, no passing of hymn books or collection plates.
- The sign of peace will be omitted or given without hand-to-hand contact.
- Holy communion will only be distributed and received on hand.

Hand sanitisers are available in the church. Door handles, pens and surfaces are sanitised regularly

### Penance/Reconciliation

- First rite of penance, with priest and penitent observing 1.5m spacing.
- Second rite of penance suspended until further notice.

### First Penance, First Holy Communion & Confirmation (Sacrament Program)

- Suspended until further notice.

### **Prayer and Social Gatherings**

-No more than 20 people permitted to gather whether inside Church or other Church facility:

- a. 1.5metres distancing.
- b. Customary/recommended hygiene practices.

### **Register**

-Parishes and communities are to keep an accurate register of people who come for public prayer.

### **Hygiene**

-Frequently touched surfaces to be regularly cleaned.

### **Funerals and Weddings**

-A total of 50 people allowed for a funeral inside a church (*excluding celebrant and people involved in liturgical ministries*).

-A total of 50 people allowed for a graveside funeral (*excluding celebrant and people involved in liturgical ministries*).

-A total of 20 people allowed for a wedding inside a church building (*excluding celebrant and those involved in liturgical ministries*).

### **Baptism**

-50 people permitted inside the Church building (*excluding celebrant and those involved in liturgical ministries*), with customary/recommended hygiene practices.

- a. RCIA candidates can receive confirmation.

### **THE SICK**

As we journey with our Risen Lord through this difficult time let us remember in our prayers our family, parishioners local and wider community and all those who are sick. May the mercy and healing power of God touch and give them healing, comfort and strength. Ruth Mercieca, Hank Westerlaken, Matthew O'Leary.

### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

We pray for the recently deceased in our parish community. Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Lyn Matthews' mother, Mary Roberson, Gerald John Edward, Tony Colosimo, Sr Mary Agnes, Caleb, Tess Rizetti, Ian Thomas, John Seychelles, Robert "Stumpy" Wallis, Anna Marie Weinlich.

*May all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

### **Parish Collections**

The forced closure of the Parish Churches has not only impacted on everybody's spiritual well-being it has also had a major impact on Parish finances. Prior to the closure your generous contributions to both the first collection (*supports the clergy*) and second collection (*supports the Parish*) assisted the Parish in meeting its financial obligations. The marked fall in collections since the Church closures, has forced the Parish to establish an overdraft to meet its financial obligations. Some weeks ago an email was sent to all Parishioners offering the option to continue making first and second collection contributions by moving to direct debit or credit card arrangements. Whilst many of you were already making your contributions via direct debit or credit card and others have taken up the option recently, if any other Parishioner would like to make this change you may contact the Parish Office by phone or email as the above mentioned details. If Parishioners do not wish to adopt the debit or credit card arrangements and wish to continue with their contributions via the cash and envelope system, there are two boxes in the Eden and Merimbula Church entrances labelled "First Collection" and "Second Collection" to place your contribution after Mass.

Thank you again for your generosity.

### **Feast Days**

Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup> , June	St Barnabas, apostle
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup> June	St Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5pm	Eden
Sunday	8:30am	Merimbula
	10am	Merimbula
Tuesday	4:30pm	Merimbula
Wednesday	9:30am	Merimbula
Thursday	9:30am	Eden
Friday	9:30am	Merimbula

## COVID-19 Crisis Appeal

Vinnies is launching a COVID-19 Crisis Appeal to raise funds for the additional need we are already seeing due to Covid-19. The COVID-19 Crisis Appeal is replacing the Winter Appeal and is launching ahead of the traditional Winter Appeal start date of 1 May.

This new crisis, this terrible pandemic, nothing our modern community has experienced, will increase the need for the work of Vinnies in serving the poor and needy. Already within Australia, we have witnessed an exponential demand from vulnerable people needing help to find food, as a result of Covid-19 panic buying in the major supermarkets.

Due to the restrictions we're operating within, it will not be possible to do an appeal through parishes in the traditional manner. Please can you [enctodonateonlinewww.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal](http://www.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal) or by calling 13 18 12

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to the many people who have helped prepare the Churches these past two weeks in order that we can safely have Mass once again. There have been so many who have volunteered their time to make our Churches Covid safe and we appreciate all of your efforts. God Bless You.



## ENTRUSTING AUSTRALIA TO MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

O Immaculate Mary, Help of Christians, Queen of heaven and earth, and tender Mother of humanity, at this time when a pandemic threatens all your children, we entrust to you our nation, Australia, and all who live in this country.

We commit to your intercession all the members of our community, beginning with the weakest ones, from the unborn to the sick, the disabled and the elderly.

We commit to you our families, our young and old, and all who are vulnerable, those who are quarantined or anxious.

We entrust to your Immaculate Heart those who have lost their livelihood or employment, our pastors and other essential service workers, and our leaders at this time.

We implore your intercession especially for the protection of doctors and nurses and those who minister to the contagious sick in this crisis.

Reign over us, Mother of God, and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in you!

**THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**  
DICTATED BY JESUS TO ST. FAUSTINA, SEPT. 14TH, 1935

**BEGIN WITH THE SIGN OF THE CROSS**  
In the name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**OUR FATHER xi**

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is  
in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and  
forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who  
trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

**HAIL MARY xi**

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed  
art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy  
womb, Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us  
sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**APOSTLES' CREED xi**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of  
heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only  
Son, Our Lord. He was conceived by the power of  
the Holy Spirit and born of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died  
and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the  
third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father.  
From thence He shall come to judge the living and  
the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic  
Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Jesus I Trust In You!

ON EACH OF THE 5 'OUR FATHER BEADS' SAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYER: →  
Eternal Father I Offer you The Body And Blood,  
Soul And Divinity Of Your Dearly Beloved Son,  
Our Lord Jesus Christ, In Atonement For Our Sins  
And Those Of The Whole World.

ON EACH OF THE 50 'HAIL MARY BEADS' SAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYER: →  
For The Sake Of His Sorrowful Passion,  
Have Mercy On Us And On The Whole World.

**FINAL PRAYER (REPEAT X3)**  
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One,  
Have Mercy On Us And On The Whole World.

