

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



Sacrament of Reconciliation Enrolment Masses:

Children preparing for Reconciliation and their families will commit to their preparations at Enrolment Masses on the weekend of 14th/15th May. Please keep those involved in your prayers.

Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal – 8 May 2022: Collection for formation and education of our seminarians: Thank you for giving generously! We have three seminarians studying for the priesthood. There are other young men too, considering the priestly calling. Let us invest in the future of our Church by financially supporting them. Please join us in generous giving. You can make a gift today: By envelopes, By giving at: www.cgatholic.org.au/goodshep, By calling: (02) 6239 9801. *May Jesus, our High Priest, raise up a whole generation of new priests in our Archdiocese!*

May: The Month of the Rosary

During the month of May, dedicated to Our Lady, as in previous years the Rosary will be prayed. Please join us:

- ½ hour before Mass on Saturday evening in Eden and Sunday morning in Merimbula.
- After Mass on Sunday morning in Pambula.
- Monday mornings at 11am in Merimbula.

All are invited to attend and pray the Rosary. *In these times it is important that we pray the Rosary, as Our Lady has requested, and offer these prayers for Our Lady's intercession for the troubles of the world.*

NEW PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP to provide mutual support and friendship for women who are widowed, divorced, separated, have never married or who feel alone. ALL women parishioners are most welcome to be part of this group. It is hoped the group will meet for Sunday lunch four times a year. Our first get together will be held at Oaklands at noon on Sunday 22nd May. Please RSVP to me by Wed May 18th (0408 827 794 or th49@bigpond.com). Teresa H

SmartLoving Breakthrough: An Online Course for spouses

If your marriage is under stress or you feel disconnected from your spouse, but don't know how to ease the pain, join us for this online course.

smartloving.org/breakthrough Divine Mercy Sale 50% Off (ends May 31) Use coupon code: **DivineMercy**



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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

Tuesday -4:30pm, 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.

5th Sunday of Easter – 15th May, 2022

City Life for True Lovers

'Love one another as I have loved you.' You may think that Our Lord's extravagant extreme of love in voluntarily undergoing death for us, is something no human being could ever measure up to.

But actually, something like this happens whenever a mother or father sits by the bedside of a child suffering the terrible pain of a chronic illness or traumatic accident and, perhaps, even facing the prospect of death. Such a parent will invariably say 'I would rather suffer and die than see my child suffer and die.' It is the same with a person seeing their much loved life partner in a similar situation.

Each of us, usually to a lesser degree and in less fraught circumstances, has the opportunity to absorb, to some extent, the sufferings of others. We are thus given the possibility of fulfilling the command: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

The effect of this sort of loving will be realised at the end of history, not in a garden of Paradise, but as in a wonderful City where all tears will be wiped from our eyes.

We could pause for a moment on our way to that future City, resolving to be alert to opportunities to fulfil our Lord's command: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

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Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5 / Jn 13:31-35

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Gospel Acclamation: Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Jn 15:1,5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.



IMPORTANT PARISH NOTICES:

- * WELCOME FR MICHAEL MULLEN
- * Mass will be held this Tuesday 17 May at 4:30pm at Merimbula.
- * Mass will be held this Friday 20 May at 9:30am at Merimbula.
- * No Mass on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Planned Giving Collections: First: \$799.65; Second: Envelopes \$455.50; Loose \$254.45. 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.

Children's Liturgy

Every 4th Sunday - 10am, Merimbula

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday, 9:30am - 10:00am, Merimbula

Saturday, before Vigil Mass, Eden

Sunday, before Mass, Pambula

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

Adoration

Every Wednesday at 4:00pm & 1st Friday of the month at 8:30am, Merimbula

1st Sunday at 3:00pm, Eden

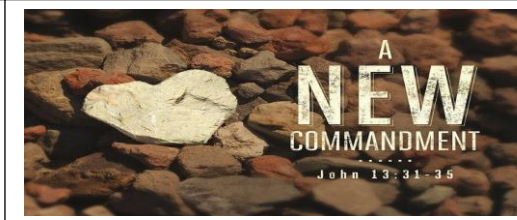
Weddings

By appointment only – at least 6 months' notice in advance.

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

Sunday 9:30 & Tuesdays at 4:30pm St Joseph's Merimbula

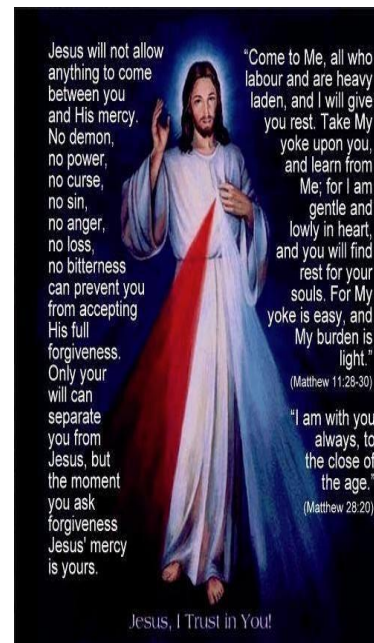
Wednesday 9am Pambula



LOVE

Let Us Pray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers... Brian Crandell, Suzanne Pointon, Peter Lewis, Michael Sheppard, Sandra Bray, Chris Greenwood, Margaret Coates, Ron Anderson, Irene Spinks, Mary Scanlan, Lyn Collie, Geoff Heffernan, Mary O'Donnell, Judy O'Donnell, John Reynolds, Max Andrew, Ros Beveridge, Eric Mangion, Anselmo Guiffre, Monica Wood, David Went.

We pray for all the Faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including: Ann Riches, Mike Aggenbach, James Geraghty, Angela Plevey, Edna Reid, Betty Pease, Shane Geraghty, Julka Iskric, Ian Mitchell, Stumpy Wallis, Peter Grubestic. **May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of our Lord, Rest in Peace. Amen**



The Divine Mercy of Jesus – 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. This is the prayer; "O Blood and Water which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a Fount of Mercy for us, I trust in you."

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Right to Life Dinner: Archbishop Prowse will address a Celebration Dinner of the ACT Right to Life Assn. at Sthn Cross Club Woden, Wednesday 1 June. All welcome. Please book online at Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/dinner-to-celebrate-50-years-of-the-act-rtl-association-inc-tickets-329248088897> or Ring Bev 0418 718 713. Bev Cains. President. ACTRTLInc.

Laudato si Week 16-29 May 2022

The Archdiocese is to mark Laudato Si' week, including a Mass in St Christopher's Cathedral at 11 am sharp on Sunday 22 May. All are welcome to help celebrate God's creation. The Archdiocese is starting to develop and to encourage plans of action on Care for our Common Home. The Reflection for the Archdiocese, emailed with this newsletter, was prepared by the Caring for Creation Movement, a group from across the Archdiocese inspired by the call of Laudato Si' and working with Archbishop Christopher and chaplain, Fr Mick MacAndrew, to understand the encyclical's teachings and develop a coherent response. The Caring for Creation Movement is also involved in developing plans for the parishes they are involved in and has collected quite a few excellent resources from around Australia and overseas. You are very welcome to contact them for any support, information or background in preparing your own action plans at LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com and www.care4creation.org.