

A MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Over the next few weeks, a summary of Laudato Si will be sent out to you in instalments with your newsletter. Please take the time to read it and consider what you feel is your role in Care for our Common Home. Once we have all had a chance to ponder the message from Pope Francis - we will gather and discuss our hopes and wishes for our community. If you are inclined, there is much on the internet about how others have responded to the Pope's call. The following link is for the Archdiocese website. <https://www.care4ourcommonhome.org/home>

Any questions please feel free to speak to any of the members of the PPC - currently Sr Marie Carson, Sue Heffernan, Dave Crawford, Phil Roach, Fr Pale, Pat Went or myself, Bernadette Wood. I thank you for taking the time and interest in this most important message from Pope Francis.

God Bless, Bernadette (Chair) PPC

PROJECT COMPASSION CONTINUES THIS WEEKEND:

From her life as a child soldier in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rosalie is a now a business owner, a community leader and a role model for other ex-combatants seeking to readjust to civilian life. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations.** You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Donation boxes are due back after Easter.

Caritas Ukraine Appeal

Caritas Ukraine is on the ground during the unfolding humanitarian crisis. Caritas' appeal for the Ukraine will help provide assistance including emergency shelter, food, clean water, transportation services, and support to people affected by this crisis. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413.

Lumen Christi Catholic College: Upcoming Events...

College Open Day - All Welcome

Wednesday, 25 May 2022 - 9:00am to 5:00pm

Information Session at 11:45am & Tours from 9:00am

Orientation Days

Kindergarten 2023

Day 1 Thursday 3 November 2022 - 9am to 10:15am

Day 2 Tuesday 8 November 2022 - 9am to 10:15am

Day 3 Thursday 17 November 2022 - 9am to 10:15am

Day 4 Tuesday 22 November 2022 - 9am to 10:15am

Children attend all 4 days and bring a drink. Parents drop off Days 1 - 3 and invited to stay Day 4 for an Information Session.

Year 7 2023

Wednesday 30 November, 2022 - 9:00am to 3:20pm

Students wear their primary sports uniform and runners. Please bring a pencil case, recess, lunch, drink & hat. A sausage sizzle will be held at lunchtime.

For further information please contact the Enrolments Officer on 6495 8888 or email lccc@cg.catholic.edu.au



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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 -6pm, 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 learned so much.

4th Sunday of Lent - 27th March, 2022

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32: Your brother here was dead and has come to life.

REFLECTION by *Fr Michael Tate*

Truth and Reconciliation

For Jews, pigs are ritually unclean, so that living in a pig sty would make this young man unapproachable.

So, imagine the reaction of his Jewish audience when Jesus told the story of the father running to his son and embracing him still stinking of the pig sty, exclaiming, 'You were lost and now you are found.'

That is Jesus' portrayal of his heavenly Father's relationship with us.

Of course, sometimes we are the older brother, resentful that someone seems to have had too easy a time of God's forgiveness. Is this the attitude of many who challenge the emphasis by Pope Francis on Mercy as the core of God's relationship with us?

More often, we are like the younger brother who has strayed to a far off place, sometimes quite deliberately.

We could resolve to approach the Sacrament of Mercy during Lent, knowing that our heavenly Father will run towards us, embracing us, exclaiming, 'You were lost but now you are found.' That is worth a celebration!

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Jos 5:9-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/ Lk 15:1-3. 11-32
Ps 33:2-7. R. v.9: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:

Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon: You must rejoice, my son,
for your brother was dead and has come to life;
he was lost and is found.

N.B. Communion Antiphon is omitted when a hymn is played.



Planned Giving Collections:

First: \$908.20; Second: Envelopes \$417.40; Loose \$409.60 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

Archdiocesan Protocols COVID-19 NSW & ACT Parishes

- * No density limits. * No check-in required. * Masks no longer mandatory in Church.
- * Masks are still required for hospital visitation, aged care visitation, home visitation to the sick, and some school settings (check with primary and high schools).
- * Choirs and singing recommence. * Holy Water fonts can be used.
- * Reception of Holy Communion: a. Sacred Host only, not the Precious Blood (to be reviewed in the coming months after feedback is received). b. Communion in the hand and on the tongue (re-instated).

Vicar General 23 February 2022

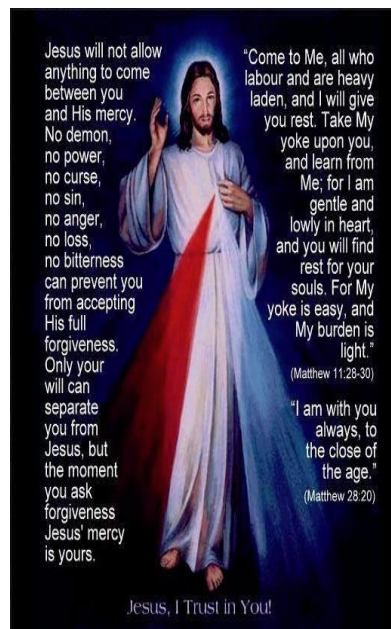


Let Us Pray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers
Peter Lewis, Maureen Goodman, Michael Sheppard, Sandra Bray, Chris Greenwood, Margaret Coates, Ron Anderson, Irene Spinks, Mary Scanlan, Lyn Collie, Geoff Heffernan, Mary O'Donnell, Judy O'Donnell, John Reynolds,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

We pray for all the Faithful departed or whose anniversaries occur including:

Betty Pease, Shane Geraghty, Julka Iskric, Ian Mitchell, Stumpy Wallis, Peter Grubestic, Danielle Sou.

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."

HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

Holy Thursday: 7pm Pambula

Good Friday: 11am Stations of the Cross,
All Mass Centres

3pm Passion of the Lord, Merimbula

Easter Vigil: 6:30pm Eden

Easter Sunday: 8am Pambula
10am Merimbula

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: This Sunday 27 March, 10am at Merimbula.

NO MASS THIS THURSDAY: Apologies to our Eden parishioners.

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION: Thursday 7 April, 7pm at Merimbula.

LENTE PROGRAM CONTINUES

Eden- 9am Tuesdays or 5:30pm Thursdays; Merimbula- 1pm Mondays;
Pambula- 7pm Wednesdays.

"Chrism Mass": 11 April (5:00 pm)

Join the Archbishop and the Clergy of the Archdiocese at St Christopher's Cathedral, Forrest for this most important Holy Week ceremony. It is this Mass that the Holy Oils used in the various Sacramental Rites of the Church are blessed and consecrated. Everyone is most welcome.