



# St Peter's Catholic Parish

6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 – The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST

*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 other may experience the love of Christ.*

**We sincerely acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, the Yuin people.**

## REFLECTION by *Fr Michael Tate* **A Tale of Two Scarves**

I have met the Dalai Lama, obviously an admirable man of deep spirituality and simplicity of life. He believes that, after his death, there could be a further phase of existence as an insect or an animal.

Contrast Jesus of Nazareth, a man of deep spirituality and simplicity of life. He believed, and staked his life on it, that he would lead a glorified, fully human existence after death. There would be no extinguishing of his personality, but rather, it would be enhanced. He was vindicated in the Resurrection.

As St John Paul II put it, at the Last Supper, Our Lord gave us a sacramental way of eating and drinking and 'digest[ing] the secret of the Resurrection', what St Ignatius of Antioch called, 'the medicine of immortality, an antidote to death'.

Our Lord chose bread and wine to convey his Real Presence into us. It is the first course of the marriage feast of Heaven, but it has a beneficial effect on our earthly stage of existence. Bread nourishes us and wine gladdens our hearts. Our Lord shares his risen and glorified life with us because he wants to nourish us and gladden our hearts.

We may take a moment to pray that we will share the marriage feast of Heaven with those we especially love, and those for whom heavenly existence will be a life-enhancing surprise. Let us pray for His Holiness the Dalai Lama that he may find himself alongside Pope Francis in the everlasting joy of Heaven.

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This is my body. This is my blood.

## Churches, Mass Celebrations and Prayer ....

### Churches

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Eden

St Joseph's, Merimbula

St Peter's, Pambula

St Joseph's, Wyndham

### Reconciliation (Confession)

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

Saturday, before Vigil Mass, Eden

### Adoration

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 8:30am,

Merimbula

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 3:00pm, Eden

### Weddings

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

### Mass Times

Saturday, 5:00pm, Eden

Sunday, 8:00am, Merimbula

Sunday, 10:00am, Merimbula

Tuesday, 4:30pm, Merimbula

Wednesday, 9:30am, Merimbula

Thursday, 9:30am Eden

Friday, 9:30am Merimbula

### Sacrament of Baptism

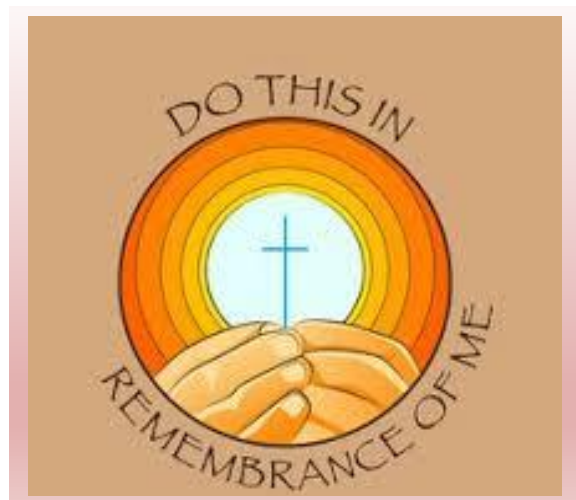
Welcoming Mass – 4<sup>th</sup> Sat/Sun of the month prior to Baptism. During Mass on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday/Sunday of the month. Please ring office for all Baptism preparation enquiries

### Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

Tuesdays at 4:30pm, St Joseph's Merimbula

*"Enlightened and inspired by the Holy Spirit"*

Although we are the ones who approach the altar in a procession to receive communion, in reality it is Christ who comes towards us to assimilate us in him. There is an encounter with Jesus! To nourish oneself of the Eucharist means to allow oneself to be changed by what we receive. *Pope Francis: Catechesis on the Mass 2018*



**Parish News and Events ... Please ring 0435 036 236 for any Parish enquiries**

**Three of our Confirmation Candidates will make their First Holy Communion this Sunday, Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, CORPUS CHRISTI at 10am Merimbula**

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3pm on Sunday at Eden  
**NO MASS on FRIDAY**

**The Month of June is the month of the SACRED HEART of JESUS**

**Get vaccinated for the common good:** Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

**Flowers at St Joseph's Merimbula:** roster numbers need boosting. If you would like to join the ladies on the flower roster for St Joseph's, please call Helen on 0400 304 044.

**We ask you to arrive early and check in by using the QR code system provided at the entrance to the Church. Those without QR code capabilities can give their first name and contact number at the door.** Thank you.

**Book-in for Mass** Please remember that as per restrictions we are still expected **to book and check in for mass**, maintain a special-distance of 2 square metres, receive Holy Communion in the hand only, refrain from physical contact when offering the Sign of Peace, and to sanitise when entering and exiting the premises. Please email or ring the parish office between 10:00am – 1:00pm Wed - Fri. Ph: 0435 036 236.  
[https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/2020/10/201008\\_UpdatedArchProtocols\\_PercyA.pdf](https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/2020/10/201008_UpdatedArchProtocols_PercyA.pdf)

#### **PLEASE KEEP FOLLOWING ALL OF THE COVID-19 PROTOCOLS IN THE CHURCH**

When you are checking in for mass, it would be appreciated if you use the online booking links on the parish website. <http://cg.org.au/pambula/Home.aspx> They are clearly visible under the heading BOOK IN FOR MASS. Please click on the relevant link and register your details. This system is being regularly monitored and is much easier than using the email or voice message at the parish office.

Please note that bookings for Eden Vigil Mass and 8:00 am Merimbula Mass close at 3:00 pm on Saturday and 10:00 Merimbula Mass closes at 8:00 pm on Saturday. Please pass this to your friends and family. Thank you.

**The Catholic Daily Voice** is available for you to subscribe to and receive via email by clicking on the attached link: <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/> and follow instructions online to subscribe.

**PLANNED GIVING:** Due to a large increase in the cost of planned giving envelopes, numbers are now being reduced to a minimum. All givers whose numbers are over 70 will now be allocated a new number, effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021. Be assured your giving history will remain on file. We apologise for any inconvenience.

**Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All Praise and All Thanksgiving be every moment thine.**

**Planned Giving Collections:** First: \$489.45; Second: Envelopes \$325.50; Loose \$199.10  
*Thank you for your generosity and God bless you all*

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### Let Us Pray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers.

Irene Spinks, Mary Scanlan, Shiela Kebby, Lyn Collie, Sr Benedetta Bennet, Rincy Mary Paul, Geoff Heffernan, Jennifer Wasley, Maree Linfoot, Mary O'Donnell, Judy O'Donnell, John Reynolds, Bill Peterie, Danielle Sou, Max Andrew, David Went, Ros Beveridge, Roy Bugden, Eric Mangion, Marie Hart, Anselmo Guiffre, Beata Denkiewicz & Joan Darr

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

Anna Maria Weinlich, Lloyd Wesley Cocks, Peter Uncle, Ronald Gaha, Coona Maureen Turner, Stumpy Wallis, Anne Riches, Edwin O'Leary, Brian Kennedy, Francine, James Geraghty, Patrick Ahern, Angela Plevy, Otila L Wright, Howard Collins, Patricia Friend, "Bill" Raymond William Thornton, Tupa'i Iakopo Nanai, Peter Grubestic, Mary Fenech, Brian Wyndham, Albina Dal Piva, Ruza Novinc, Maureen Partridge Ken Clear, Millicent Clear, Anotonio Ziino, Maureen Frances DuBock, Peter Hamer, John Hulme, Catherine Randazzo, Jeanette Robert, Dawn Lucas, James Barry, Greg Morrison, Glyneth Middlemiss, Brian Middlemiss, Errol Cole, Mary D'Arcy, Janine Capell, Winifred Stephenson & Mike Aggenbach.

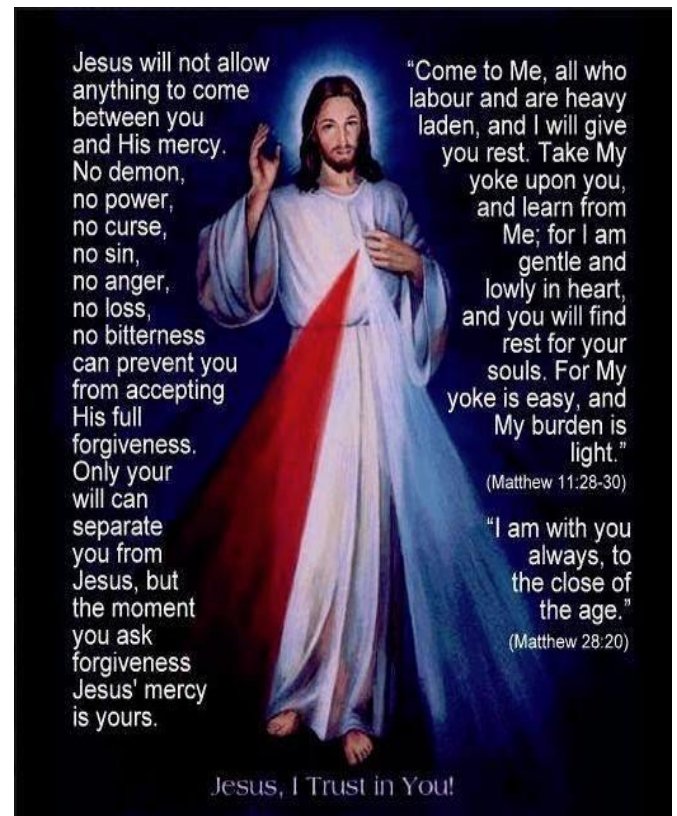
*May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of our Lord, Rest in Peace. Amen.  
May the fullness of peace be theirs in eternal life.*

Please advise the Office if you would like to be added to or taken off the list for prayers.

### 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."**

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed before Mass on Sunday and Adoration with Benediction on every First Friday at 8.30am Merimbula Church; First Sunday 3:00pm at Eden



## The Most Holy body and BLOOD OF CHRIST

Year B Prayers of the Faithful – Children

**Presider:** God has made us a holy people; let us now pray for those who are in need.

**Reader:** That the Church will carry out Christ's mission and make disciples of all peoples. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** That all nations will help look after the earth. Lord, hear us. Response

**Reader:** That those who are confused about life will come to know and love Christ. Lord, hear us. Response

**Reader:** That parents and children will reflect the love of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Lord, hear us. Response

**Reader:** That the sick, by sharing in Christ's suffering will also share in Christ's glory. Lord, hear us.

**Reader:** That our community will live out God's commandment of love by welcoming people who are lonely or have no friends. Lord, hear us.

**Reader:** That those who have died will remain with God forever, including. Lord, hear us.

**Presider:** Loving God, you have made us your sons and daughters. Hear our prayers and help us to spread your message by the power of the Holy Spirit. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

## Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding

Dear Parishioners

We are all aware of the findings of the recent Royal Commission into Institutional abuse. Our Parish is fortunate to accept an offer from Maria Hicks from the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding to come down and speak to us.

Maria would like to make clear the standards expected and practices to follow to keep both ourselves and all those we come into contact with safe, when fulfilling our roles in Church life. Maria recommends that all people come and listen and share your concerns. Maria will give time to answer any questions you have.

Absolutely everyone is welcome, and I urge you to come along and become informed of the standards and how to safeguard both yourself and those who you engage with at church and church sanctioned events.

Maria will down 22nd July, at St Joseph's Church, Merimbula at 7.00pm  
Look forward to seeing you there.

## Important Dates for Sacrament of CONFIRMATION:

### Parent Formation Evening #2 TBC

Wednesday, 16 June

St Joseph's Church, Merimbula 6:00pm - 7:30pm  
(Supper provided, child-minding available)

### Family Masses

Saturdays and Sundays in May, June, July and August  
Sat 5:00pm Eden/Sunday 8am & 10:00am in Merimbula  
Jobs will be allocated so children play an active role in the Mass.

*If you are unable to attend, you need to let Fr Pale know beforehand by emailing him on*

[Pale.Leota@cg.org.au](mailto:Pale.Leota@cg.org.au)

### Thursday 29 July - Confirmation Retreat Day

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden  
9:15am - 2:30pm.

All students making their Confirmation attend this day. The College bus will transport students from LCCC. Other students arrange their own transport to and from the Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation: **Sunday, 8 August**

St Joseph's Church, Merimbula 10:00am.

### PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**Plenary Council Prayer:** Come Holy Spirit of Pentecost! Come Holy Spirit of the Great South Land! Oh God bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognize Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of you truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a Hope filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey, from age to age. Amen!

**Reading Acts 2:1-11**

A reading from the book of Exodus

*This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with*

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 115:12-13. 15-18. R. v.13**

**(R.)** *I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.*

1. How can I repay the Lord  
for his goodness to me?  
The cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord's name **(R.)**
2. O precious in the eyes of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful.  
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;  
you have loosened my bonds. **(R.)**
3. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:  
I will call on the Lord's name.  
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil  
before all his people. **(R.)**

**Entrance Antiphon Ps 80:17**

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

**Communion Antiphon Gal 4:6**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remain in me and I in him, says the Lord.

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

**Reading Hebrews 9:11-15**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.*

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

**Gospel Mk 14:12-16, 22-26**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

*This is my body. This is my blood.*

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.