

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Women's Group Lunch - for women on their own; those who feel alone and any women who would like to join us - 12 for 12:30pm - Sunday 28th August - Eden Sports & Rec Club - Names to Teresa by Sunday 21st August - 0408 827 794 or th49@bigpond.com (Transport can be arranged if needed).

Archbishop Christopher's St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage - August 13th.

This will be the first time for a couple of years that we have been able to host this event relatively free of restrictions. Let's make it a welcoming occasion for all the pilgrims who make the journey. We are looking for lots of assistance on the day - please come along and help make this day a success as we celebrate Australia's first Saint - Mary of the Cross MacKillop and showcase our wonderful Parish.

12- 14 August Claiming Hope: Creative Healing Retreat

Join the MGL Sisters at Carmel House, Varroville for a healing retreat experience. Come to God in your woundedness, journey with Him through creativity, and allow Him to transform you into a living sign of hope. Enquiries:

mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/BWMJN>

19-21 August Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Weekend

Worldwide Marriage Encounter conducted by Zoom allowing couple to attend from the comfort of their own home. The weekend starts at 7PM on Friday 19th August and concludes with Mass at 4PM on Sunday 21 August.

Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Mercy & James Bvirakare on 0409 183 676 or vicbooking@wwme.org.au

22 August Natural Fertility Awareness Week: A free webinar entitled "Fertility Literacy in the Digital World ~ the best use of fertility tracking apps" is being held on Monday 22nd August at 7.30pm. Enquiries: Joanne Widdup 0414 165 848

CatholicCare Retirement Villas - Aranda and Campbell

CatholicCare currently has several vacancies at our retirement villas based in Aranda and Campbell. For further information on the vacant villas and to view the villas please contact Dominica McNamara, Retirement Villas Manager, on property.management@catholiccare.cg.org.au or on 6162 6100 to indicate your interest.

Cursillo in the Diocese

Cursillo is an international lay-based faith formation movement that started over 80 years ago. It provides a sound and practical approach for energising, renewing and enlivening our faith lives. As well as annual Cursillo weekends, there are regular small group meetings held for prayer and study. Interested people are invited to check those out by contacting one of the following in your area. • Gungahlin: Joe Jambor, irmandjoe@gmail.com • Belconnen: Alfred Bonggi, readyssetgo@live.com.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 -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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 7th August, 2022

The Gospel and the Commonwealth

Jesus lived in a remote part of the Roman Empire where the majority eked out an existence. One of the few ways in which redistribution of wealth could occur was by voluntarily giving to the poor. So Jesus instructs his followers: 'Sell your possessions and give generously to those in need.'

We live in a very different society: 'The Commonwealth of Australia.' 'Common-wealth' indicates that the wealth of this nation, its people and resources, are meant to be directed to the common good. So, we must respond to Our Lord's command in ways very different to what was possible in his day.

We have a compulsory taxation system which forces us to give up some of our possessions, some of our wealth to the common-wealth. Taxation and social justice policies help fulfil Our Lord's command to create a society more humane than anything remotely possible under the Roman Empire. And that would please Our Lord. Why?

In part because those in need are helped. But, perhaps in greater part, because it makes us larger hearted people. We have to arrive at the moment of death with a heart so capacious that it can include the billions of people we hope inhabit heavenly existence. We might pause for a moment to pray for our hearts to be expanded by our contribution to the common-wealth of all peoples throughout the world.

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Wis 18:6-9 / Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 / Lk 12:32-48

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22.

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation: Mt 24:42, 44

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Ps 147:12,14

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,

who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:

Mon 8 Aug: St Mary of the Cross, virgin (Solemnity).

Tues 9 Aug: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin, martyr (Optional).

Wed 10 Aug: St Lawrence, deacon, martyr (Feast).

Thurs 11 Aug: St Clare, virgin (Memorial).

Fri 12 Aug: St Jane Frances de Chantal, religious (Optional).

Sat 13 Aug: Sts Pontian, pope, martyr and Hippolytus, priest, martyr (Optional).

Let Us Pray for and support those who are sick and for all who have asked for our prayers... Shirley Abreu, David Smith, Val Richardson, Peter Lewis, Michael Sheppard, Sandra Bray, Chris Greenwood, Margaret Coates, Irene Spinks, Mary Scanlan, Lyn Collie, Geoff Heffernan, Mary O'Donnell, Judy O'Donnell, John Reynolds, Max Andrew, Ros Beveridge, Eric Mangion, Anselmo Guiffre, David Went.

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

Ron Anderson, Vincent Heffernan, Monica Wood, John Vucic, Peggy Trower, Moira Tindale, Luke Shortt, Ann Riches, James Geraghty, Shane Geraghty, Julka Iskric, Ian Mitchell, Stumpy Wallis, Peter Grubestic, Marie Radford, Ananias Gonzales.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of our Lord, Rest in Peace. Amen

Planned Giving Collections: 3 July: First: \$839.20; Second: Envelopes: \$486.50; Loose: \$318.45. 10 July: First: \$766.85; Second: Envelopes: \$433.00; Loose: \$201.50. 17 July: First: \$809.15; Second: Envelopes: \$422.00; Loose: \$259.95. 24 July: First: \$812.95; Second: Envelopes: \$348.00; Loose: \$248.20. 31 July: First: \$658.05; Second: Envelopes: \$450.00; Loose: \$261.90. Online Contributions: June: Credit Card: \$890.00; Direct Debit: \$505.00 ; July: Credit Card: \$890.00; Direct Debit: \$505.00 .

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

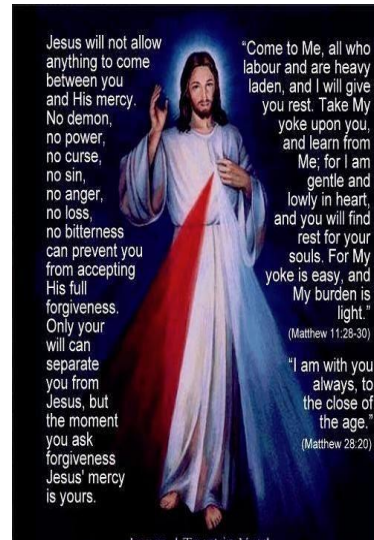
Weddings

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



A reading from the Catechetical Instructions by Saint John Mary Vianney, priest (Paris 1899, pp. 87-89).

The glorious duty of man: to pray and to love.

My little children, reflect on these words: the Christian's treasure is not on earth but in heaven. Our thoughts, then ought to be directed to where our treasure is. This is the glorious duty of man: to pray and to love. If you pray and love, that is where a man's happiness lies.

Prayer is nothing else but union with God. When one has a heart that is pure and united with God, he is given a kind of serenity and sweetness that makes him ecstatic, a light that surrounds him in marvelous brightness. In this intimate union, God and the soul are fused together like two bits of wax that no one can ever pull apart... My little children, your hearts are small, but prayer stretches them and makes them capable of loving God... When we pray properly, sorrow disappears like snow before the sun."