



CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRES OF PAMBULA

Parish Bulletin

All Saints 1 November 2026

Our mission as a Christian community of the Catholic Parish Centres of Pambula is 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 honour Elders past, present and emerging, and all First Nations peoples worldwide.

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PARISH CALENDAR/MASS TIMES

Tuesday:	5pm Merimbula
Wednesday:	10am Pambula
Thursday:	10am Eden
Friday:	10am Merimbula
Saturday:	5.30pm Eden
Sunday:	8am Pambula
	10am Merimbula

PARISH INFORMATION

Reconciliation (Confession)
Merimbula: Friday before Mass,
Eden: Saturday before Vigil Mass
Pambula: Wednesday before Mass
At any other time by request

Anointing of the Sick
Pambula: Wednesday 25 Nov 10am
Eden: Thursday 26 Nov 10am
Merimbula: Friday 27 Nov 10am

Sacrament of Baptism
Families are warmly invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism in our parish. Baptism is celebrated after Mass on the 4th Saturday/Sunday of the month. For all enquiries and Baptism preparation arrangements, please contact the Parish Office.

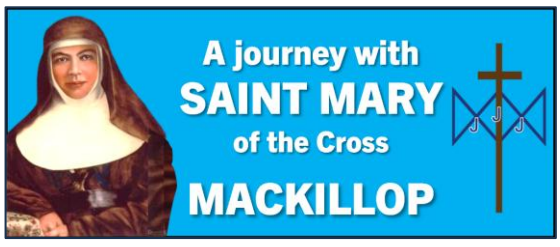
Weddings
By appointment only: Minimum 6 months advance notice.

Adoration
Merimbula: Friday 9am followed by Mass at 10am.

Divine Mercy Chaplet
Merimbula: Sunday 9:30am & Friday 9am
Eden: Thursday 9.15am

Rosary
Merimbula: Cenacle & Holy Hour 11am Monday
Pambula: Wednesday 9:30am
Eden: Thursday 9.30am followed by Mass at 10am.

St Peter's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people to have their say, to be listened to and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking.
COMMUNICATING CONCERNS: You are encouraged to raise any concerns by emailing Fr Kose, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Volunteer or directly to Maria Hicks at the Institute Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) on ipss@cg.org.au



Bear with the faults of others as you hope God will bear with you. (2.9.1906)

COMING EVENTS/NOTICES

Aged Care Facility Mass

5 Nov 11.30am Imlay House Pambula
6 Nov 1:30 pm Hugh Cunningham Gardens Tura Beach
10 Nov 2 pm Albert Moore Gardens, Merimbula
12 Nov 11.30am Uniting Age Care, Eden

New Parishioners

If you are new to the parish, please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Kose so we can include your contact

SPECIAL MASS FOR ALL SOUL'S DAY 02 NOV

In **commemoration of all the faithful departed, Special Mass will be offered on Monday 02 November at 10am in St. Joseph's Church Merimbula**. While attendance is not mandatory, the church encourages the faithful to pray for deceased loved ones, visit cemeteries and attend Mass. Envelopes that you would like to bring to the altar for Offertory can be found at the church entrance.

CEMETERY MEMORIAL MASSES

Memorial masses will be held on **Wednesday 4 November 10 am at Pambula Cemetery** and on **Thursday 12 November 10 am at Eden Cemetery**. Please note that there will be no mass in the churches on these dates.

NOVEMBER MASSES

Fr. Kose will dedicate the whole **month of November** to offer masses in remembrance of our dearly departed. Envelopes are provided for these special intentions and may be found at the church entrance. You may submit these envelopes to the parish office or give them directly to Fr. Kose.

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING 22 NOVEMBER



It has become a cherished tradition in our Parish that, on the Feast of Christ the King, the communities of all three churches, **St. Joseph's, Merimbula; St. Peter's, Pambula; and Our Lady Star of the Sea, Eden**, gather together to celebrate the feast of our King.
Please mark this special occasion in your calendar. There will be **one combined Mass only** that weekend, celebrated on **Sunday, 22 November, at St. Joseph's Church, Merimbula**.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for the recently deceased

Joe DiPietro Antonio, Julie Bourne, Pixie Olive Crehan, Alvin Ureta, Conrad de Zwart, Peter Geraghty, Ruth Joan Mercieca, Michael Gandon

And for all the faithful departed who we remember at this time

Danielle Sou, Max Andrew, Henk Westerlaken, Errol David Cole, Kate Webster, Deborah Joan,

Let us pray for and support those who are sick and for all those who have asked for our prayers:

John Liston*, Carolyn Meers, Ros Beveridge, Anne Cooper*

The list will be refreshed every first week of the month. If you would like the names to continue, please inform the Parish office via email or phone)

COLLECTIONS

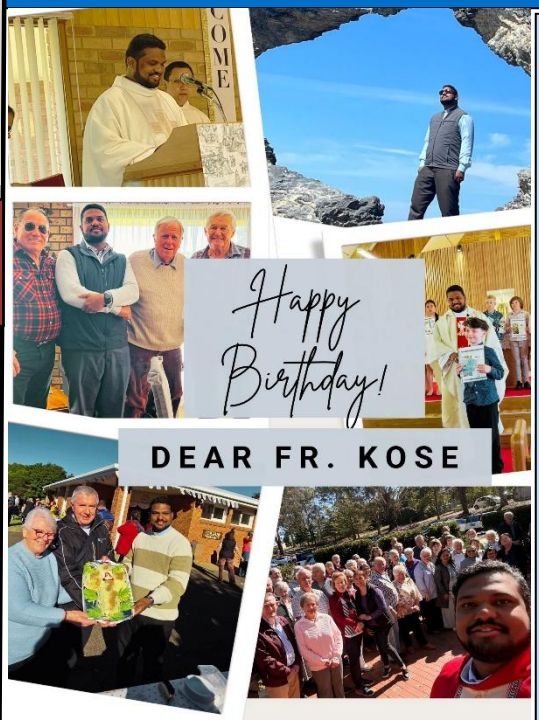
Last Week's Collection:

$1,459.50 - Support Clergy in Parish & Archdiocese & Support running the Parish

Planned Giving Collections:

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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. KOSE! 1 NOV.



We give glory and thanks to God for blessing us with a true shepherd whose genuine care for our spiritual and pastoral well-being is a constant source of guidance, comfort, and inspiration.

SOLEMNITIES/FEAST DAYS

01 Nov (Sun) All Saints Day
02 Nov (Mon) All Soul's Day
22 Nov (Sun) Solemnity of Christ the King

NOVEMBER
MONTH DEDICATED FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY



HAVE MERCY ON US, O LORD… HAVE MERCY!



November is the month of remembrance for Holy Souls in Purgatory. The basis for this special month of remembrance is that many souls, on departing from the body, are not perfectly cleansed from venial sins, or have not fully atoned for past wrongdoing. To quote the *Catholic Encyclopedia*, they "are debarred from the Beatific Vision," that is, from Heaven, until their souls become purified in Purgatory.

We can help them, by our prayers, our alms deeds and especially by the sacrifice of the Holy Mass. And that's what this special month serves to remind us of: We are called to deepen our commitment to the suffering faithful whose souls are being purified in Purgatory, whether they are loved ones or strangers.

(Extract from https://thedivinemercy.org/articles/its-vember-you-are-called-work-mercy)

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

A powerful prayer revealed by Our Lord to Saint Gertrude the Great. It was promised that each time this prayer is said with confidence in God's mercy, souls would be released from Purgatory.

"Eternal Father,
I offer You the most precious blood
of thy Divine Son, Jesus,
in union with the Masses said
throughout the world today,
for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory,
for sinners everywhere,
for sinners in the universal Church,
for those in my own home,
and in my family. *Amen*"

To help the Holy Souls in Purgatory:

1. Have Masses offered for them.
2. Pray the Rosary and the Chaplet for the Holy Souls.
3. Pray the Stations of the Cross.
4. Offer up little sacrifices and fast.
5. Spread devotion to them.
6. Attend Eucharistic Adoration and pray for them.
7. Gain all the indulgences you can and apply them to the Holy Souls.

Visit to a Cemetery

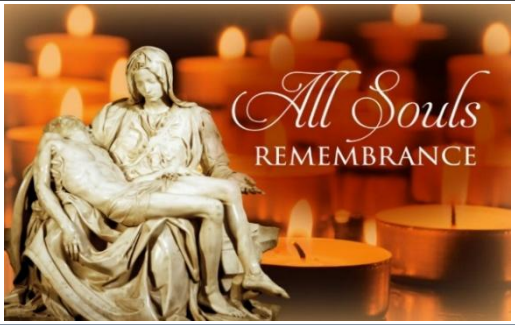
An indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. The indulgence is plenary each day from the 1st to the 8th of November; on other days of the year it is partial.

Visit to a Church on All Souls Day [November 2]

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of all the faithful departed piously visit a church, a public oratory or semi-public oratory.

In visiting the church or oratory, it is required, according to Norm 16 of the Apostolic Constitution, that "one Our Father and the Creed be recited."

REMEMBRANCE MASS – 5 NOV.



This year's **Remembrance Mass** will be held at **Our Lady Star of the Sea, Eden, commencing at 10:00am on Thursday 5th November**. After Mass, you are most welcome to join the families of those parishioners who have died in the past 12 months, for a cuppa in the Mary McKillop Hall. **Please bring something to share.**

If you have lost a family member in the past year, and you would like their name inserted in the Remembrance Mass booklet, please contact Teresa (0408 827 794) by Monday 2nd November.





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First Reading Rv 7:2-4. 9-14

I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language.

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 23:1-6. R. see v.6

(R.) Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. *(R.)*

2 Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. *(R.)*

3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. *(R.)*

Second Reading 1 Jn 3:1-3

We shall see God as he really is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.
Surely everyone who entertains this hope
must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 5:1-12

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle:
they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn:
they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:
they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful:
they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart:
they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers:
they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

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Reflection *by Fr Michael Tate*

How can those suffering grinding poverty such that their whole personality is impoverished – the poor in spirit – be 'Blessed'? How can those who hunger and thirst for justice be 'Blessed'? The answer lies in the new community which Our Lord is establishing under the reign of God.

There are people within this new society who do everything possible to lift the poor out of poverty, to comfort those who are mourning, to make sure the gentle share in the earth's resources, to satisfy the craving for justice. These are 'saints' who are merciful, pure in heart, makers of peace.

The full measure of authentic humanity is Jesus Christ. But there are millions, only a few celebrated in the Church's calendar, who have tried to measure up to the challenge presented by the Teacher of the Beatitudes. These are saints, those who know that they cannot help create the Beatitude society out of some political ideology, but who wholeheartedly respond to the teaching of the One whose Holy Spirit can empower rising to the challenge.

We might pause a moment to pray that God may deal with us mercifully as we fall short of the full stature of the One who embodied the Beatitudes, at the same time as we celebrate the lives of the countless many who have measured up superlatively, the saints whose feast day we celebrate.