



# CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRES OF PAMBULA

Parish Bulletin

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A 14 June 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.

## PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

### Parish Priest

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### Parish Centres

Merimbula: St Joseph's  
Pambula: St Peter's  
Eden: Our Lady Star of the Sea

### Sisters of St Joseph

Sr Marie Carson

### Parish Council Chair

Mrs Bernadette Wood

### Liturgy Coordinator

Ms Sue Heffernan

### Finance Chair

Mr Michael Wood

### Parish Safeguarding Volunteer

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Mr Shane Giles 02 6495 8888

## 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 24 June 10am  
Eden: Thursday 25 June 10am  
Merimbula: Friday 26 June 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

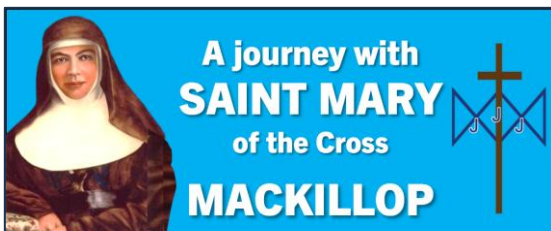
Merimbula: Cenacle & Holy Hour 11am Monday  
Pambula: Wednesday 9:30am  
Eden: Thursday 9.30am followed by Mass at 10am.

## 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

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



A journey with  
**SAINT MARY**  
of the Cross  
**MACKILLOP**

**It is in love that God leads me,  
by love that God reproves me,  
by love that God lets me see love in all.  
(1873)**

## COMING EVENTS/NOTICES

### Aged Care Facility Mass

- 2 July 11.30am Imlay House, Pambula
- 3 July 1 pm Hugh Cunningham Gardens Tura Beach
- 7 July 2 pm Albert Moore Gardens, Merimbula

### New Parishioners

Could anyone new to the Parish contact the Parish Office or Fr Kose, so that the Parish has your contact details. Thank you.

## Why do we make the announcement before Holy Communion

Several incidents have been reported in which the Sacred Host was found left on the pews or scattered on the floor. We are reminded that **the Holy Eucharist** is the Church's greatest treasure, for it is truly the **Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ**. It is therefore only fitting that we accord Him the highest Honor and deepest reverence.

## First Holy Communion – 14 June

We anticipate with great joy our 13 First Communicants on that very glorious day when they would, for the first time, be receiving Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Please include them in your prayers.



## Catechism Corner

### Why should we adore God?

All who understand that they are God's creature will humbly recognise the Almighty and adore Him. Christian adoration, however, sees not only the Greatness, Omnipotence and Holiness of God. It also kneels before the **Divine Love** that became incarnate in **Jesus Christ**. If we really adore God, we kneel before Him or prostrate ourselves on the ground. This gives expression to the truth about the relation between human beings and God. He is great and we are little. At the same time, human beings are never greater than when they freely and devoutly kneel down before God ( 353)

## SOLEMNITIES/FEAST DAYS

- 13 June (Saturday) Feast of The Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 24 June (Wednesday) Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- 29 June (Monday) Feast of Saints. Peter & Paul



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

Wendy Kukla, Peter Carson, Anna Maria Weinlich Sr. Myree Harris, Kate Webster, Deborah Joan, Cynthia & Martin Walker, Domenic & Gloria, Edward Cutajar, Ann Johnston,

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

Jed Descutido, Monica Paffen, Pat Wong, Ros Beveridge\*, Matilda Blake, John Liston,\* Margot Neilsen, 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:

\$1,836.95 - 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.

## Welcome to the Catholic Church

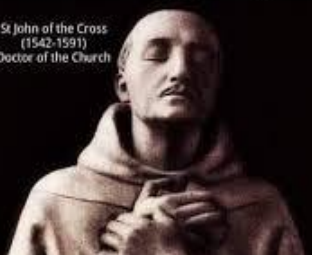
We rejoice as we welcome our newly baptized member, Zoe Galea who was baptized last 07 June at St. Joseph's Merimbula



## Please observe Silence inside the Church

Silence is  
God's  
first language

St John of the Cross  
(1542-1591)  
Doctor of the Church



The Church is a sacred place where Jesus dwells and is truly present in the tabernacle. We ought Him our utmost reverence and adoration. "The language He understands the best is the **Silence of Love.**"

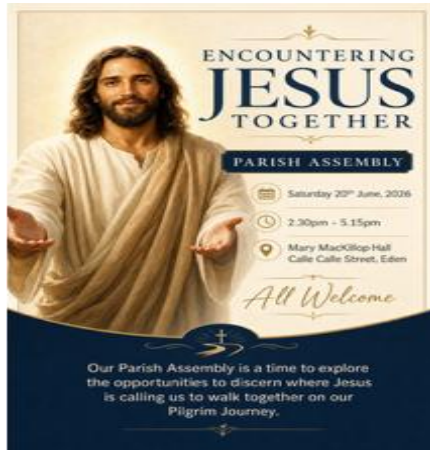
# June - Month of Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary



**Feast of the  
Sacred Heart of Jesus  
12 June 2026**



**Feast of the  
Immaculate Heart of Mary  
13 June 2026**



## **PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE PARISH ASSEMBLY**

Heavenly Father, As we gather together to pray for the success of the Parish Assembly,

we ask that you send your Holy Spirit to unite us. Open our hearts to listen to each other

with humility and empathy and guide our minds to discern your will for our Parish.

Help us to build a community that is vibrant and welcoming,

working together for the glory of God. May the Blessed Virgin Mary intercede for us.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Invitation to Join the Parish Assembly**

Dear Parishioners

Parish Assembly

Just a reminder that our Parish Assembly is on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June, at St Mary MacKillop Hall in Eden. It's only one week away! Everyone is welcome to come along and join in. The Assembly begins at 2.30pm and concludes at 5.15pm in time for Mass at 5.30pm.

Our Parish Assembly is simply a chance for a conversation with fellow Parishioners to ponder our journey both individually and as a valuable member of our Parish together. It's a chance to discover within ourselves, what Jesus means to us, and to be able to recognise Jesus in our hearts and lives. To share in conversation what we are comfortable to share in small groups.

The afternoon will conclude with afternoon tea or coffee, definitely with cake.

To assist us with planning could you please register your interest in attending by emailing the Parish office email address [Pambula@cg.org.au](mailto:Pambula@cg.org.au)

Looking forward to seeing you on 20<sup>th</sup> June – 2.30pm

Pastoral Council



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## First Reading Ex 19:2-6

### **A reading from the book of Exodus**

*You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.*

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."'

## Responsorial Psalm

PPs 99:2-3. 5. R. v.3

**(R.) We are his people:  
the sheep of his flock.**

1. Cry with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his  
flock (R.)
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

## Second Reading Rom 5:6-11

### **A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans**

*We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.*

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the

death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

## Gospel Acclamation Mk 1:15

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The kingdom of God is near;  
repent and believe the Good News!  
Alleluia!**

## Gospel Mt 9:36 – 10:8

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

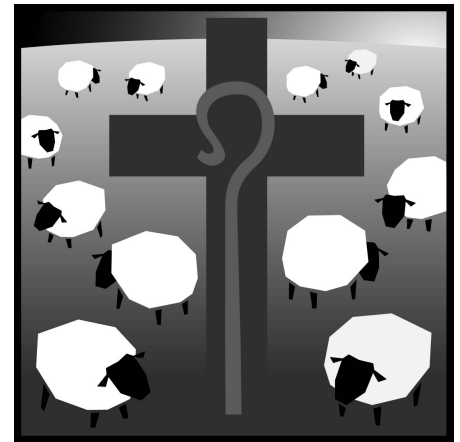
*He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.*

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

When Jesus saw the crowds 'he felt sorry for them'. The Greek original actually says 'his guts were in a knot'. When Jesus saw a desperate need he found it stomach-churning stuff.

Our bodies often tell us what we should pray for. Another good signal is tears, not only of sadness but also of joy.

Body-felt impulse and prayer go together, whether celebrating good things or confronting bad things. This is what our Lord wants and, where possible, leading to effective action... labourers in the harvest.

So, when our body gives us the signal – stomach in a knot, or tremendous joy flooding into our lives – follow the body's signals. Pray for the person or the situation concerned. You can be sure that your prayer will be authentic.

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