



# SUNDAY, 2 JUNE 2024 PARISH of Ss PETER AND PAUL, KIAMA

*Incorporating the Church Communities of  
St Mary Star of the Sea, Gerringong; St Matthew's, Jamberoo;  
and Ss Peter & Paul, Kiama.*

## **Next Weekend's Mass Times – 8/9 June 2024**

**Ss Peter and Paul, Kiama – Vigil 6:00pm; Sunday 8:00am and 5:00pm**  
**St Mary Star of the Sea Gerringong and St Matthew's Jamberoo – Sunday 9:30am**

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### **WEEKDAY MASSES - KIAMA**

Tuesday	4/6	5:00pm	
Wednesday	5/6	8:00am	St Boniface
Thursday	7/6	8:00am	
Friday	8/6	9:30am	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

**RECONCILIATION:** Ss Peter and Paul Kiama  
**Every Saturday:** 8:30am – 9:00am (except Easter Saturday) **Monthly:** first Saturday, 5:00pm – 5:30pm.

**WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS:** by arrangement.

**BAPTISMS:** Kiama – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. Contact the Parish Office to book.

### **COUNTER'S ROSTER:**

**2 June: Group 3 – Vonnie Gee**

**9 June: Group 4 – Mike Doherty**

## **REFLECTION BY RICHARD LEONARD SJ**

### **Wonder and Awe Before the Eucharist**



At the holy Mass, as soon as the priest pronounces the words of the consecration, transforming the bread and wine into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ our Lord, he genuflects, rises, and then says, "The mystery of faith." What is "the mystery of faith?" Oftentimes, when we say that something is a mystery, we mean that the conclusion is hidden but that there are certain clues to help solve the mystery. And once the mystery is solved, everything is clear and it is no longer a mystery.

"The mystery of faith" is much different. Those words are spoken at Mass immediately after the consecration as a way of drawing the faithful into a holy awe and amazement of what just took place. But this mystery can only produce wonder and awe if the reality of what just took place is understood through the gift of faith. Faith is knowing and believing without

perceiving the reality before us with our five senses or through logical deduction. In other words, faith produces true knowledge of a spiritual reality that can only be known, understood and believed through spiritual insight. Therefore, if we attend the Mass and have been gifted with the knowledge of faith, then as soon as the consecration of the bread and wine takes place, we will cry out interiorly, "My Lord and my God!" We will know that God the Son is present before us in a veiled way. Our eyes do not perceive, nor do any of our senses reveal to us the great reality before us. We cannot rationally deduce what just took place. Instead, we come to know and believe that the Son of God, the Savior of the World, is now present before us in His fullness, under the veil of mere bread and wine.

In addition to the divine presence of our Lord and our God, the entire Mystery of our Redemption is made present. Saint Pope John Paul II tells us that in this moment there is a "oneness in time" that links the *Paschal Mystery*, that is, the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, to every moment that the Eucharist is celebrated and made present through the words of consecration.

And that unity between each Mass and the *Paschal Mystery* "leads us to profound amazement and gratitude" (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*#5).

Do you sense and experience this profound amazement and gratitude each time you attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass? Do you realise as you attend the Mass and as the words of consecration are spoken that the entire Mystery of your redemption is made present before you, hidden from your eyes but visible to your soul by faith? Do you understand that it is God the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity Who descends to us to dwell with us in that moment of time in this glorious Sacrament?

Reflect, today, upon the hidden but real Mystery of Faith. Allow yourself to be drawn into a wonder and awe at what you are privileged to attend. Let your faith in the Most Holy Eucharist grow by being open to a deepening of this gift of faith through spiritual insight and belief. Behold this great Gift of the Eucharist with the eyes of faith and you will be drawn into the wonder and awe that God wants to bestow upon you.

# PARISH NOTICES

*We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Wadi Wadi people of the Dharawal nation, who are the Traditional Custodians and First Peoples of the lands on which we worship.*

## AS A PARISH WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR:

### Those who are sick:

Michael Sewell; Catherine, Elizabeth & Monika; Gian-Carlo Goytizolo; Mary Newn; All sick parishioners and sick relatives and friends of parishioners.

### Anniversaries:

Daniel Wong; Pat Green; Peter Kells; the Holy Souls in Purgatory and all parishioners whose anniversaries occur at this time.

### Recently Deceased:

Tom Cullen; Patrick Nilan; Kathy Faulks; Keith Martin; Joan Barlow; Emanuel Grima; All recently deceased friends and relatives of parishioners.

**Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

## GERRINGONG MEMORIAL GARDEN



Spaces are available to purchase in the Memorial Garden at St Mary Star of the Sea, Gerringong for the interment of ashes, or for memorial plaques on the Memorial Wall. **Please note: spaces in the Memorial Garden are available to both Catholics and non-Catholics.** If you would like further information, please contact the Parish Office on 4232 2081 or email [kiamo@dow.org.au](mailto:kiamo@dow.org.au)

## HOME COMMUNION VISITS

If anyone knows of someone who would like to receive Communion at home because of illness or frailty, please contact Sr Maureen on 0427 941 855. We have a team of very compassionate and dedicated people.

## ADORATION AND HOLY HOUR

\* **Every Saturday** - 8:00am to 9:00am, Ss Peter and Paul Church, **Kiama**. The hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Perpetual Succour Novena, Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

\* **Every Monday** - 3:00pm – 4:00pm, St Mary Star of the Sea Church, **Gerringong**. An invitation to all, to step into one hour of silent adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament.



*All are welcome to attend.*

## PARISH PLAYGROUP

Ss Peter and Paul Parish Hall, Kiama  
Wednesdays, 9:00am – 11:30am.

**Term 2 - 15 & 26 June.**

For further details please contact Susie Hartley on 0438 377 292.

## SVDP HELP CENTRE

**Mondays – 4.00pm to 5.00pm  
(excluding public holidays)**

SVDP Kiama Conference operates a Help Centre in the Parish Meeting Room, Kiama, for those seeking assistance. People seeking assistance must phone for an appointment.

**Calls and texts are taken from  
12:00pm each Monday only.  
Please phone 0402 518 377.**

Current income statements and ID are required.

*\* If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, new members are always welcome to join the team. All enquiries can be made through the Parish Office.*

## PLEASE HELP SUPPORT US THROUGH PARISH GIVING

If you would like to help support our Parish, either through a one-off donation or via regular giving, please visit <https://www.dow.org.au/giving2/> for access to the different ways to give, including wills and bequests. Alternatively, you can donate to a specific collection via our bank details below:

### \* FIRST COLLECTION

*(supporting our priests)*

**Account name:** Kiama Presbytery;  
**BSB:** 066711; **Account number:** 002126

### \* SECOND COLLECTION

*(supporting our Parish)*

**Account name:** Kiama Parish;  
**BSB:** 066711; **Account number:** 001774

## SACRAMENTS 2024

Information for the 2024 Sacramental Program is now published on the Parish website. For details visit [www.kiamacatholicchurch.com.au/sacramental-program](http://www.kiamacatholicchurch.com.au/sacramental-program). Enrolment forms are to be completed online via the website and enrolments close on the following dates:

\* **Confirmation** – Enrolments closed.

\* **First Reconciliation** – 2 August

\* **First Holy Communion** – 20 September

## SILVER CIRCLE WINNERS

### Week 5

Congratulations to the following winners of this week's Silver Circle:

1<sup>st</sup> – Mary Lovegrove (#13)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Vonnie Gee (#17)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Michele Micallef (#40)

## FLOWERS NEEDED

Fresh flowers are needed for the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in Ss Peter and Paul Church, Kiama. If you are a keen flower gardener who would like to contribute to the supply of fresh flowers for the Chapel, please ring Maria Donoghue on 0421 227 534. She will be happy to collect flowers or indoor flowering pot plants.

## REQUIEM MASS FOR TOM CULLEN

The Parish will celebrate the life of Tom Cullen on Saturday, 6 July at 10:30am in Ss Peter and Paul Church with Sacred Mass, Morning Tea and Interment of Tom's ashes. Everyone is welcome.

## CONFIRMATION RETREAT DAY 2024

Just a reminder that the Confirmation Retreat Day will be held on Tuesday 18 June from 9:00am - 3:00pm in the Parish Hall.

## FAREWELL TO JEAN MCBRIDE

A special morning tea will be held in Ss Peter and Paul Meeting Room following the 9:30am Mass on Friday, 7 June to thank and farewell our dear friend and parishioner Jean McBride as she leaves our Parish to make her new home in Brisbane. All parishioners, friends and visitors are welcome to attend. A plate, if possible, would be very much appreciated.

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

\* The CWL monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, 5 June at 2:30pm in Ss Peter and Paul Meeting Room.

\* CWL members welcome friends, visitors and parishioners to the monthly Morning tea on Friday, June following the 9:30am Mass. This will be a farewell morning tea for Jean McBride (see notice above).

## **GERRINGONG 200 CLUB**

For all attending the St Mary's morning teas in remaining 2024, you are invited to participate in our 200 club events to raise funds for the Gerringong financial account. Tickets are \$5 – cash only please. See Mary and Herbie Weegen for more details.

## **KBECET ANNUAL PIE DRIVE FUNDRAISER**

**Supporting the work of the Scripture teacher at Kiama High.**

Pies are family size, supplied by Queen Street Bakery Warilla. Final orders 19 June. Delivery 8 July. Variety of 7 Savoury and 3 Sweet pies - \$12 each. Purchases can be donated to Vinnies for those in need and are very much appreciated. Order forms for individual and Vinnies donations are on the notice board at the back of Ss Peter and Paul Church. Alternatively, please call or SMS Gai on 0401 468 209, or email [gai.delavere@outlook.com](mailto:gai.delavere@outlook.com). Payment can be made by EFT to BSB: 082662 Acc: 249030854. *Please include your name and Pie Drive as reference.* Cash or cheque to Gai. Delivery details to follow. Thank you for your continuing support.



## **SAFETALK: SUICIDE ALERTNESS FOR EVERYONE**

**Free Suicide Awareness Workshop  
Make a connection – help save a life!**

Learn to recognise when someone may be struggling with thoughts of suicide and how to ask them about it in a respectful and natural way. Explore community resources to help keep people safe from suicide. Debunk common suicide myths. Saturday, 1 June, 9:00am - 1:00pm, Kiama Uniting Church. Bookings at <https://events.humantix.com/safetalk-workshop>

## **AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE**

CatholicCare's Ageing with Confidence forum is returning across the Diocese, with sessions in Wollongong and Nowra. These half-day free information sessions will provide seniors with practical information on the aged care system and healthy ageing. Expert presentations from CatholicCare staff will be joined by presenters from the Seniors Rights Services NSW and the NSW Fire & Rescue Service to discuss topics such as accessing support services, keeping your mind and body fit, and advocating and supporting older people.

▪ **Wollongong** - Wednesday, 5 June, 9am-1pm, The Fraternity Club, 11 Bourke Street, Fairy Meadow.

▪ **Nowra** - Wednesday, 19 June, 9am-1pm. Worrigeer (Nowra) Sports Club, 131 Greenwell Point Road, Worrigeer.

Places are limited.

To register, call 4227 1122 or visit:

[www.catholiccare.dow.org.au/events](http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au/events).

For any other information, contact Jane Hollier on 0417 018 152 or email:

[janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au](mailto:janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au).

## **COME AND SEE, GO AND MAKE: A VISION FOR PARISHES**

**More resources now available to help breathe new life into your parish**

Bishop Mascord has previously sent multiple copies of Come and See Go and Make for distribution amongst the faithful. These are available in each church. **New Videos of the entire vision** broken into sections that align with the *Come and See Workbooks* for parishes may be accessed, along with digital copies of all resources, at:

<http://dow.sh/CSGMresources>.

Read, pray, discuss and support your pastor in bringing this vision to life in your parish.

## **JAMBEROO ABBEY RETREAT**

**Praying with the Aramaic Jesus –  
Friday 28 June to Sunday 30 June**

*A weekend retreat with Sr Magdalen Mather osb*

In the framework of Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina, this weekend retreat will meet the Jesus who was Jewish, spoke Aramaic and was formed in a Middle Eastern culture. Through this lens we will meditate together and contemplate some well-known words and teachings of Jesus, providing a wealth of rich meaning to nourish our prayer and

spiritual life. Pensioner discount or other reductions according to need are available. **CONTACT:** Book and pay for this retreat by phoning 4236 0011, Extension 114, or by emailing [cottageretreats@jamerooabbey.org.au](mailto:cottageretreats@jamerooabbey.org.au).

## **MENALIVE MAX NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**Varroville 19 - 21 July**

Many men have benefited from the challenges, encouragement and faithful brotherhood that comes from menALIVE. Here's a chance for men from all round Australia to come together- be renewed in faith for action, for good - and it is happening in our Diocese- so don't miss this. It's time to book your spot and stoke the desire to become fully alive as the men we have been created to be. For more information and to book go to <https://menalive.org.au/events/max-weekend-2024> or contact Jude Hennessy at [jude.hennessy@dow.org.au](mailto:jude.hennessy@dow.org.au) or Mob: 0408 236 191.

## **AWAKE DAY RETREAT**

Saturday 15 June, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Varroville, 9:00am – 4:00pm. BYO lunch, \$25. Begins with Mass. Awaken to a renewed experience of God's love and rediscover the joy of your life with the Risen Jesus during the day retreat with the MGL sisters. It will include praise, inputs from the MGL sisters, time for silent prayer, Reconciliation and prayer ministry together as a group. Register at:

<http://www.trybooking.com/CNTCH>

## **SPIRITUAL & PASTORAL CARE TRAINING**

An Introductory Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered online via Zoom and would be suitable for kind and caring people wanting to learn more about providing holistic spiritual and pastoral care to patients in hospital, residents in aged care facilities, attendees at school or people in the parish. Applications are currently being taken for this 40-hour course commencing on Wednesday, 3 July, comprising 6 sessions ending on 7 August. Times are 9:30am to 4:00pm. Dates are 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 July and 7 August. For more information about this course and future courses please contact Carmen Karauda on 0419 430 676 or email [ckarauda@gmail.com](mailto:ckarauda@gmail.com). RSVP by 21 June.

# **THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST - YEAR B**

**2 JUNE 2024**

## **FIRST READING**

Exodus 24:3-8

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

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.'

The word of the Lord.

## **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.)**

## **SECOND READING**

Hebrews 9:11-15

*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.

The word of the Lord.

## **SEQUENCE**

### **Short Version**

Behold the bread of angels, sent  
For pilgrims in their banishment,  
The bread for God's true children meant,  
That may not unto dogs be given:  
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;  
In Isaac on the altar bowed,  
And in the ancient paschal food,  
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread  
divine,  
Still show to us thy mercy sign;  
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;  
So may we see thy glories shine  
In fields of immortality;

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,  
Our present food, our future rest,  
Come, make us each thy chosen guest,  
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest  
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

## **GOSPEL**

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

*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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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## **READINGS – 9 JUNE**

**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time –  
Year B/2**

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING:** Gen 3:9-15

**PSALM:** Ps 129 (R.) *With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.*

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING:** 2 Cor 4:13 – 5:1

**GOSPEL:** Mk 3:20-35