



11th Ordinary - Year B

16th June 2024

St. Patrick's Parish

St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo
Star of the Sea, Tathra.

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Hrs 9-2 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*

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We acknowledge the Yuin People, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon & cared for this land for thousands of years. We pay our respect to Elders past, present & emerging. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

God's Unfolding Plan

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



While St Mark places great emphasis on Jesus' role as a teacher and frequently uses this word to describe him, we are not given much detail about the content of his teaching. One exception to that is in chapter 4 where we hear a series of Jesus' parables of the kingdom. All the gospels agree that the parable was the primary means by which he taught the crowds and this was one of the main characteristics of his remarkable ministry. In this text there are two such parables about the kingdom, both centred on the theme of growth.



In the first parable, the kingdom is likened to the situation that unfolds when someone sows seed in the ground. The seed grows independently of him, he knows not how, until the time of the harvest. Jesus wants his hearers to understand that as surely as the seed grows so too does the work of the kingdom happen. It is not up to us — it is a gift of God.

The following parable says something similar, using language that echoes the words of Ezekiel from the first reading. The mustard seed is

the tiniest of all but the shrub that issues from it is the greatest of all. So the kingdom, from insignificant beginnings, will grow to give shade to all who come to shelter in its branches.

The unique message of Jesus is summed up by his use of the phrase 'kingdom of God' and his unique way of speaking about it was the parable. No doubt Jesus could have written a book or given a series of dogmas and rules, but he chose rather to tell short stories by way of illustration. The kingdom he speaks of is not the afterlife but an expression of how God wants the world to be.

So the parables of the kingdom deal with God's will for the world and how his grace is at work around us. As such, they offer both comfort and challenge. Today's parables stress that we must not fret or worry but rather trust that the kingdom will come because God wants it to. They are an invitation to take time to consider how the plan of God unfolds around us in ways that are both surprising and sure.

Sean Goan



We Welcome into our Parish Family:

Hazel Jules O'Brien

Baptised in the name of the Father, & the Son & the Holy Spirit

Entrance Antiphon O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help
Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

Responsorial Psalm Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower,
All who come to him will live for ever.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek:
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

ROSTERS - 22nd/23rd June 2024

Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 5pm

Commentator G Berman
Readers E Bevitt
Cleaners

Candelo Sun 9:30am

Commentator J Coman
Readers K Dodds
Cleaners - June Paul & Ann Kelly

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Jacinta Battista
Readers Gerard Hergenhan
Cleaners Raewyn Galton
Audio-Visual Kate D'Arcy
Eucharistic Ministers Pat Platts, Trish Sly

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator Mel Ferris
Readers M Scott, A Twyford
Gifts Volunteer
Counters Tomlinson & Farrell
Music Matt Heffernan
Acolyte David Grainger
Eucharistic Ministers Kathy Rix

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

Bega Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
Bemboka before vigil Mass
Candelo before vigil Mass
Tathra before Sunday Mass

St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15—
6pm Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 or
Matt 0429 338 348.

Meditation & Contemplative Prayer

Meeting is held on Monday at 7.30pm in the
annex of Star of the Sea Church at Tathra.

Sunday Readings Reflection Group

Tuesday at 7pm Star of the Sea Tathra.
All Welcome.

ROSARY - all are welcome

Tathra - 7:20am before Sunday Mass
Bega - 9am before Sunday Mass



MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays

St Patrick's Church.
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

St Patrick's Sacramental Programme

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Reconciliation—26th May 2024
First Communion - 25th August 2024
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req.
Please contact the Parish Office.

For Sale: Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's
Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or
place your order in a marked envelope in
the 2nd collection. **Bulletin & Forms** can
be found on the website

St Patrick's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights and dignity of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families & carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all our thinking and actions. Parishioners are encouraged to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)

Planned Giving Envelopes now available for collection. This is the last year a tax receipt will be issued. If you required a giving statement please indicate on your census form. Thank You.

Parish Census is currently being conducted. Please refer to the forms in the pews for further information and our privacy statement. *Thank you for time and assistance.*

Annual Eden Mary Mackillop Pilgrimage. Saturday 3rd August. 11am Walk; Mass 12noon; 1pm lunch. To book for lunch: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1228948?> Please call Sue Heffernan 0405 251 947 with dietary needs. For more information <http://cg.org.au/pambula/Home.aspx>

Save the Date: Archdiocesan Women's breakfast with Dr Helen Alvare Thursday, 8 August, 7.30 - 9.00am Join us as we explore meaningful connections, marriage, family, career, mission and community-building. More details to come! Contact: communications@cg.org.au

Marriage Preparation Courses: ♣ *FOCCUS* - Tues 13th August 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at Marymead CatholicCare.

♣ *Engaged Encounter* - Sydney, Sat 17 & Sun 18 August.

♣ *SmartLoving* – online, 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you.

For more information or to register go to www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries: Text Helena Zobec on 0405 440 463

Women's Resource Centre Bega Workshop. *Chair Yoga.* Friday 21st June 11am-12noon. Free. Facilitated by Paula Casciola. More info phone: 6492 1367

Parish Office. Due to presbytery building works the office is accessible via the kitchen door. Please follow the green signs and use the temporary doorbell.

Wise Words:
Small deeds done are better than great deeds planned.
- Peter Marshall

You're Invited

♣ *Tathra* - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass.

♣ *Bega* - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega.

All Welcome. Please bring a friend.

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
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Sunday Mass Times

- *Bemboka* - Saturdays - 5pm Vigil
- *Candelo* - Saturdays - 5pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th
- Sundays - 9:30am liturgy 2nd, 4th
- *Tathra* - Sundays - 7.45am Mass
- *Bega* - Sundays - 9.30am Mass
- 4th Sunday- 9:30am Family Mass

Weekdays

- Tuesday 4.00pm Bega Church
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
- *Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 3pm*
- Friday 9.15am Bega Church
4:30-5:30pm Bega *'Holy Hour of Mercy'*
- Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

RECENTLY DECEASED: Genny Crane, Dianne Longue

ANNIVERSARIES Rosemary Tarlinton, Maureen Connell, Josie Skinner

PRAYERS Marina Peric,

Feasts Days this Week

19th - St Romuald, Abbot 950-1027. Remembered for combining the severe life of a hermit with the Benedictine community rule.

21st - St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 1568-1591. Died of the plague, contracted while caring for its victims. Devout and ascetical from the time of his childhood in a family of Italian nobility. Pursued a religious vocation as a Jesuit against enormous family opposition. Remembered for his youthful ideal of perfection and his determination to achieve it.

22nd - St John Fisher, Bishop, Martyr (1469-1535) & **St Thomas More**, Martyr (1478-1535) Drawn into conflict with Henry VIII, both were imprisoned and beheaded for treason. Remembered for their wide learning, for their devotion to the Church, and for their uncompromising integrity and courage. An opportunity to celebrate all the English martyrs, Catholic and Protestant, of the Reformation era.

22nd - St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop 353-431. Remembered for his charity and hospitality, for his religious poetry, and for his extensive correspondence with eminent Christians.

Minute Meditations - God's Gift of Peace

Francis promoted peace among his friars, among the Poor Clares, among the Secular Franciscans, among all people. Thomas of Celano writes that the immensely popular Francis "seemed to be a man of another world" (First Life, 36). Francis called people back into the peace and harmony of a world into which God had created the human family and which was as fragile in Francis's day as it is in our own.

Peace is a gift from God. Human actions that cooperate with God's grace activate peace in the world. On October 27, 1986, St. John Paul II invited leaders of world religions to Assisi to pray and fast there for the sake of world peace. At the concluding prayer service, the pope called those present and everyone who would hear or read his words to be "artisans of peace." Francis of Assisi was certainly an artisan of peace.

- from *Peace and Good: Through the Year with Francis of Assisi* by Pat McCloskey, OFM .

Archbishop Christopher Visit 21st - 22nd June - You are invited

21st 4.30 pm Holy hour Bega

22nd 9.15am Mass and morning tea Bega

Year of the Holy Spirit

Guided Prayer Session

3rd Sundays Bega

After 9:30am Mass

