

Entrance Antiphon Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Responsorial Psalm Let all the earth cry out to God with joy..

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

ROSTERS - 12th/13th July 2025
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

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| Bemboka Sat 5pm | |
| Commentator | S Berman |
| Readers | G Bevitt |
| Cleaners | Bevitt |

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| Candelo Sun 9:30am | |
| Commentator | Ann Haesy |
| Readers | R Coman |
| Cleaners - July | Merryl & Jim Whitby |

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| Tathra Sun 7:45am | |
| Commentator | Marie Oakley |
| Readers | Neil Walker |
| Cleaners | Oakley Family |
| Audio-Visual | Pat Platts |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Carleen Maley, Denise Miller |

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| Bega Sun 9:30am | |
| Commentator | T Tomlinson |
| Readers | M Dessmann |
| Gifts | Volunteer |
| Music | Matt Heffernan |
| Acolyte | David Grainger |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Kathy Rix |



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.

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 encourage to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)

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
Confirmation 2025— 8th June 2025
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req. Please contact the Parish Office.

Syro-Malabar Mass 4th Wed of the Month 5pm Bega. Contact Lijoy 0469 341 965
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14th Ordinary - Year C **6th July 2025**

St. Patrick's Parish

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


Fr. Adrian Chan. Parish Priest.
Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.
Hrs 9-2 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
Safeguarding, Mrs. Emma Grant, Bega.Safeguarding@cg.org.au
St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888

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We acknowledge the Djirringanj 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 & respect their continuing culture & the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

We are Called

Although Jesus is fully aware that his journey to Jerusalem will end in his passion and death, he is also aware that the mission to proclaim the good news is one that must be continued. In Luke's gospel, which is probably more Gentile than the others, the theme of the universality of Jesus' message is more to the fore. We can see one of the ways that is shown in the fact that seventy two disciples are sent out to prepare the way for him. In the ancient world it was believed that there were seventy two nations on earth and so this is symbolic of a mission to the whole world.




Two things are striking in the story: one is the simple urgency of the task of proclaiming the message. Some will accept it, others will not, but their rejection of the message should not be on account of any failing on the part of the messengers. The other striking feature is their success. They rejoice on their return because they know that are participating in the ultimate struggle of good over evil. In sharing their joy, however, Jesus reminds them that it is not about them but about God working through them and that should be the source of their joy. It is a call to humility.

As we come to the end of Galatians, one can't help feeling that Paul is somewhat tired and even downcast at the thought that all his work among these people was being so seriously undermined. At the same time he is a realist and he is under no illusions about the difficulties involved in being true to the gospel. This in turn brings him to one of his greatest insights. As followers of Jesus we are indeed a new creation but our coming to birth is not painless so we should not be surprised when we are asked to share in the passion of the one who brings us to life. Unlike Paul and the seventy two, we may not always understand exactly where our mission lies but in the daily struggle to be faithful to Jesus and the gospel we know that our names are written in heaven and that is a reason to rejoice.

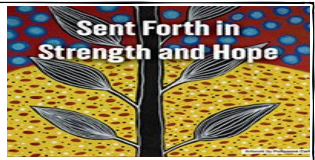
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday

'Sent Forth in Strength & Hope'





We Welcome into our Parish Family:

Violet Robyn Deenen

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



Vinnies Winter Appeal July: *Homelessness is never a choice!* There will be a 3rd collection This Sunday with all proceeds staying with our parish conference to support locals in need this winter. Envelopes will be available at the church entrance all July. They can be dropped into the Bega store or placed into the 2nd collection. Thank you for your generosity.

Maintenance Programme Update: The Bega Parish Finance and Maintenance Committee recently sourced quotes to replace the roof of St Joseph's Church at Candelo. This activity has been performed in consultation with the Archdiocese who are in the process of considering our request for approval to proceed. The cost of the roof replacement will be in the vicinity of \$80 000.

St Patrick's Primary Enrolling now. All grades including kinder 2026. For further details and to book an appointment contact the school office 6492 5500.

School Holiday Office Closure. The parish office will be closed on the school holidays - 7th-18th July. Emails will be checked periodically. Thanks



St Mary Mackillop Pilgrimage 9th August. Walk starts at 11am. For inquiries, email woodb4922@gmail.com

RCIA: if you are interested in becoming a Catholic please contact Father Adrian.

Help Christians in the Holy Land. Aid to the Church in Need is providing urgent support to the Church in Israel and Gaza in the ongoing conflict. Without your help, many desperate Christian families will be forced to leave. To make an emergency donation visit www.aidtochurch.org/holyland

Wise Words:

Mercy is the true power that can save humanity & the world from sin & evil.
- Pope Francis

You're Invited - after mass

- ✦ *Tathra* - Breakfast 2nd Sunday of the Month
 - ✦ *Bega* - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month
- All Welcome. Please bring a friend.**

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

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

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
Email: Adrian.Chan@cg.org.au

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sue Gardiner, Michael Guthrie, Geoff Heffernan

ANNIVERSARIES Joseph van dam Nguyen, Malcolm & Patricia McCambridge, Deanna Doris

6th - St Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr 1890-1902. Remembered for her innocence & simplicity, for her devotion to God, & for forgiving her attacker on her deathbed
7th - St Peter To Rot, Martyr 1912-1945. Appointed catechist in his own village in PNG, married & fathered children. When priests & missionaries were imprisoned during the WWII, he continued fearlessly in his pastoral ministry, leading Sunday worship and defending Christian marriage. Eventually imprisoned at Vunaiaira by the Japanese forces and executed.

9th - St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & **Companions**, Martyrs. 120 people martyred in China between 1648 and 1930. The 87 Chinese include children, parents, catechists, seminarians, & four priests. The 33 Europeans were missionary bishops, priests & religious.

11th - St Benedict, Abbot 480-547. After studies in Rome he became a hermit at Subiaco, and then founded the monastery at Monte Cassino.



Minute Meditations - Life Is Change. God Is Constant.

St. Sometimes in our crazy, busy world, we get so caught up in the doing that we forget about the being, and we forget about the One who brought us into being. Mindfulness means consciously stopping throughout the day instead of allowing ourselves to be swept along by our to-do lists.

Time still passes, but as we pay closer attention, it feels slower and calmer, and we are aware of its passage instead of being surprised by it. Living this way opens us up to God's presence in our lives and cultivates gratitude for all our blessings.

- from *Franciscan Spirit's "5 Minutes to Mindfulness"* by Colleen Arnold, MD



The Bega parish assembly 18 May 2025

The results of the prayerful conversations were:

- *welcome to new members of the parish – both from different cultures/countries & from other areas of Australia.
- * how to engage new parishioners in parish affairs
- *how to engage youth
- * how to engage people who have stopped coming to church but are still having their children baptised/confirmed etc
- *care & visitation for: sick & dying, hospitalised & housebound
- *create a sense of belonging & to reinforce that all are worthy of God's love
- *Young people families: school children & parent support/expose them to parish faith/school community/ be welcoming
- *Inclusion to parish: Indian/Filipino communities/transitory or permanent?/ opportunities for families to be involved in the parish
- * Faith development: archdiocesan opportunities/ marriage encounter/ parish groups

We have plans to hold another mini assembly early 2026. If you have constructive suggestions on how to proceed with these concerns please email Fr Adrian.