

Entrance Antiphon	See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.
Responsorial Psalm	The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, he made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

ROSTERS - 24th/24th July 2021
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm	
<i>Commentator</i>	G Green
<i>Readers</i>	E Bevitt
<i>Gifts</i>	on hold
<i>Cleaners</i>	Berman

Candelo Sat 6pm	
<i>Commentator</i>	J Coman
<i>Readers</i>	Roxanne Hopkins
<i>Gifts</i>	on hold
<i>Cleaners - July</i>	Meryl & Jim Whitby

Tathra Sun 7:45am	
<i>Commentator</i>	Michael Hergenhan
<i>Readers</i>	Betty O'Brien
<i>Gifts</i>	on hold
<i>Cleaners</i>	Denise & Bernie Miller
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Pat McRae
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Les Carey, Denise Miller

Bega Sun 9:30am	
<i>Commentator</i>	F&P Sorenesen
<i>Readers</i>	F&P Sorenesen
<i>Gifts</i>	On hold
<i>Music</i>	
<i>Acolyte</i>	Chris Adams
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	A Tarlinton, C Tarlinton, B Burton, B Tygh
<i>Nursing Home</i>	

Wise Words:
Because **always**. Even in
the darkest moments:
in moments of sin,
in moments of weakness,
in moments of failure,
I have seen Jesus, & I
trusted him...He has not
left me alone. - Pope Francis



Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation	
<i>Bega</i>	Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
<i>Bemboka</i>	before vigil Mass
<i>Candelo</i>	before vigil Mass
<i>Tathra</i>	before Sunday Mass

St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15—
6pm Contacts Mary 64921850 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
Tathra - 7:20am before Sunday Mass
Bega - 9am before Sunday Mass
all are welcome.

MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays
St Patrick's Church.
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

**St Patrick's Sacramental
programme 2021**
Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Confirmation—TBA
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req.
Please contact the Parish Office.

For Sale: Bibles - \$16; 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

Shepherd



16th Ordinary - Year B

18th July 2021

St. Patrick's Parish

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

Fr. Luke Verrell. Parish Priest.
Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.
Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
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Kings & Shepherds

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hammurabi, a Babylonian King of the 18th century b.c., declared: 'The great gods called me, so I became the beneficent shepherd whose sceptre is righteous; my benign shadow is spread over my city. In my bosom I carried the people of the land - they prospered under my protection; I always governed them in peace; I sheltered them in my wisdom, in order that the strong might not oppress the weak, that justice might be dealt the orphan and the widow.' Already at this early date kings in the ancient Near East were using the image of the shepherd to describe their kingly rule, likening their governance to the strong and tender care a shepherd provides for sheep, particularly for the weakest of their flock - orphans and widows.

In Israel this political metaphor - leader/king as shepherd - merged with historical reality: Abraham, Moses, and David were all actual shepherds as well as leaders and, in David's case, a king. In Israel no less than in Babylon, Assyria, or Egypt, the king was expected to protect his people and to govern them with justice. But the sad reality was quite different. Jeremiah lists the misdeeds of Israel's shepherds (kings): they mislead, scatter, drive away, and fail to care for the sheep, leaving them to 'fear and tremble.' Therefore God, the ultimate King and Shepherd, will personally care for 'the flock of my pasture.' This language reminds kings that the people are God's people, not the king's employees or subjects. God swears to remove these false shepherds and to gather and bring them back. Then, using the language of creation, God will bless them so they will 'increase and multiply'. And finally God will 'appoint shepherds,' that is, God will restore a righteous king to the house of David. The king will govern wisely and shall be so renowned for doing what is 'just and right' that his reign shall reveal God's own justice.




Jeremiah's prophecy would be fulfilled in Jesus who, as David's 'virtuous Branch,' is an eternal king and a caring shepherd.

STAY COVID-19 SAFE

- 👤 **Wear Mask** 👤 Sanitise hands
- 👤 No Singing 👤 Do **not** return bulletin -take home
- 👤 Communion in the hand only
- 👤 Sign in: - QR code or sheet
- 👤 Keep social distance - 4m²

Planned Giving 2021/2022. Envelope boxes are now available for collection. Tax receipts will be available from next Sunday.

 **St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal 2021.** Envelopes are still available. SVDP appreciate your support as always. Blessing.

A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: Today, Aid to the Church in Need continues to ensure that spiritual aid and pastoral care reaches areas of need. ACN ensures that tyranny of distance or harsh terrain stand in the way of the spiritual life of the Catholic people. Every year we will finance some 400 cars, 200 motorcycles, 300 bicycles and a couple of boats. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/transport.

Blackfriars Lecture Series - Homer among the Health Workers: metis, culture and closing the gap, a personal reflection. 20th July, 6pm. The lecture is being presented by Craig Ritchie, Chief Executive Officer of the Australia Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS). In this lecture Craig will draw on his extensive career in Aboriginal health to explore the question of policy impact in the Closing the Gap agenda. Registration: ocd.canberra@acu.edu.au

Archdiocesan Marriage Course: - 3 August, 7:15-9:30pm. Nicky Gumbel says "There's no marriage that can't be improved." The Marriage Course aims to strengthen one's relationship from the comfort of one's own home via Zoom for 7 weeks. Register for information session 7:30-8:00pm Tuesday 27th July bit.ly/TMCInfonight Find out more at bit.ly/TMCRegister Contact steph.ransom@cg.org.au

Inaugural Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public & Political Life: 26th August. Speaker: John Anderson - Venue: Parliament House, Canberra - Tickets: \$30 www.tfo.org.au Inquiries: jeanie.alberto.cg.org.au, Ph: 6239 9801

Job Vacancy: Catholic Voice Journalist. The role requires grassroots local journalism offering flexible hours and an opportunity to work in print and online. Find more information at <https://bit.ly/3hnjUnm>

Sunday Mass Times

- Bemboka - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil
- Candelo - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th
- Sundays - 9:30am liturgy 2nd, 4th
- Tathra - Sundays - 7.45am Mass
- Bega - Sundays - 9.30am Mass

Weekdays

- Tuesday 5.30pm Bega Church
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
- Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 11am
- Friday 9.15am Bega Church
4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

RECENTLY DECEASED Juanita (Collins) Bamford, Fr Brian Maher, Mike Tupper, Willie Donnelly

ANNIVERSARIES Eunice Tarlinton, Malcolm & Patricia McCambridge, Mary Van Deman, John Jennings

20th - St Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr, 1st century. Remembered as a link to the Apostolic age.

21st - St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church, 1559-1619. Remembered for his zealous teaching and promotion of the Catholic reform that followed the Council of Trent.

Feast Days this Week **22nd - St Mary Magdalene.** A faithful disciple of Christ, Mary ministered to his needs after having seven devils cast out from her. Witnessed his crucifixion, was present at his burial, and was the first to see the risen Lord. Commissioned by Christ to proclaim the good news of his resurrection to the apostles. Remembered in the East as the "Apostle to the Apostles."

23rd - St Bridget, Religious, 1303-1373. Remembered for her asceticism, her dedication to reform within the Church, and her lifelong mystical experience of Christ's passion.

24th - St Sharbel Makhlof, Priest, 1828-1898. A Maronite monk, remembered for his ascetic poverty, solitary contemplation & great devotion to the Eucharist.

Dear Parishioners,

Last Monday I was admitted to South Coast Regional Hospital Bega with chest pains. I had not had a heart attack and the cause remains a mystery, but is probably stress related. I am taking two weekends off as recovery. During this time Fr Rex will take over my weekend Masses. I will be staying with Fr Tom Thornton in Charnwood Canberra.

I was most pleased with the care and professionalism of the Bega Hospital. As a frequent visitor to the hospital, it was an interesting experience to 'see it from the other side'.

Peace, Fr Luke

