

Responsorial Psalm. O God, let all the nations praise you!

Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, Alleluia
All who love me will keep my words,
and my father will love them, and we will come to them.
Alleluia

Communion Antiphon If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, & I will ask the Father & he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia

ROSTERS - 1st/2nd June

Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator
Readers
Gifts
Cleaners

Candelo Sat 6pm

Commentator K Wels
Readers Oliver Raschke
Gifts Ann Hyam
Cleaners - June Paul & Ann Kelly

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Michael Doig
Readers Paul Gardiner
Gifts Les & Carleen Maley
Cleaners Vicki Kennaugh & Family
Wardens Gerry Collins, G Hergenhan
Audio-Visual Kate D'Arcy
Eucharistic Ministers Jacinta Battista, Denise Miller

Bega Sun 9:30

Commentator J Lott
Readers V Northcott, A Woods
Gifts B Burton
Counters C Murphy t & T d'Arcy
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte Sean McCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers F Farrell, E Collins,
J Taylor, Volunteer..
Nursing Home M Rheinberger

Wise Words:

First keep the peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.
- Thomas a Kempis.



Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

Bega Saturday, 9.30 - 10.00am
Bemboka before vigil Mass
Candelo before vigil Mass
Tathra 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: fortnightly on **Thursdays**

Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

St Patrick's Sacramental programme 2019

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
First Reconciliation— 14th November
Confirmation—12th September
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



6th Easter —Year C

26th May 2019



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 8-1 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
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The New Jerusalem.

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



The scene described in the second reading takes place after the world has been destroyed and evil utterly vanquished. There is now a 'new heaven and a new earth' (21:1). Next, the visionary John sees 'Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven'. This city, like the new heaven and earth, is entirely the work of God. In the new age, God is the absolute origin of all things.

Our reading omits the city's massive dimensions - a perfect cube over nine miles in each direction! It has multiple gates, signifying easy access; the twelve gates represent the twelve tribes of Israel, while the twelve courses of stone that form its foundation are inscribed with the names of the twelve apostles. The structure, then, represents the people of God in their fullness - yet the city is not identified with the people.

The visionary expresses some surprise at not seeing a Temple - and this is indeed remarkable. Every city in the ancient world had at least one temple. For Israel its single Temple, matching its belief in one God, was the sign on earth of God's presence among them (see Easter 4). It was a visible sign of the invisible God, the nexus between heaven and earth, the meeting place for God and humanity. It had graded areas of holiness corresponding to the holiness of individuals. Moving

outward from the centre: the Holy of Holies accessible only to the High Priest, then the Holy Place for priests, then the Court of (Israelite) Men, then the Court of Women, and finally, furthest away, the Court of Gentiles. Access to God was closely guarded. But, in this City, there is no Temple! Why? The 'Lord God almighty and the Lamb' dwell there with unrestricted access for everyone. Whereas in the old city the Temple represented God's presence, now God's actual presence replaces the Temple. The radiance of the divine presence also replaces sun and moon: there is no more darkness. This vision fulfils the promise of Jesus in the gospel: Jesus and God will dwell with those who keep Jesus' words.





We Welcome into our Parish Family:
Joseph Michael Deenen
Baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Catholic Women's Action Group. A catholic women's action group is forming and all women in the archdiocese are asked to contribute. *The Southern Coastal Deanery day is Saturday 1st June 11am-2pm, St Patrick's School Hall.* No registration is required. Please bring a plate to share for a light lunch. Further information Andrea Dean 0487 388 873 andrea.dean@catholic.org.au

Parish Pastoral Assembly. The 2nd gathering will be held next Sunday 2nd June 11am, school hall. I hope to see you there—*Fr Luke*

Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal – Collection for Formation of our Seminarians. Envelopes are still available in the entrance. Last weekend.

 **Lumen Christi Open Day** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 9:00am to 5:00pm inc. Information Session at 11:45am & Tours from 9am. *All Welcome.*

St Patrick's Primary is again collecting Woolworth Earn & Learn stickers. Stickers can be placed onto the 2nd collection for delivery to the school until June 25th. Thanks!



Men's Breakfast June 1st, 8am, St John's Hall. Guest speaker this month will be particularly interesting as it is Det. Sgt. Justin Marks from Bega Police. He will regale us with tales of some of the most interesting cases and events during his time in the force, and will also tell us about the changes in structure of policing in our region. Usual donation of \$8.00 if you can.

Save the Date: Marian Procession & Youth Pilgrimage 2019 Sunday 27 October 2019. St Clement's Retreat and Conference Centre, Galong 9.30am Youth Pilgrimage 10.30am Sacrament of Penance 11.30am Mass with main celebrant Archbishop Prowse 12.30pm BYO lunch 2:00pm Procession to the grotto. Contact 02 6239 8500 www.marianprocession.org.au

Thank you to everyone for your prayers. It is very much appreciated. I am home now and on the road to recovery.
Bob Sixsmith.



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

Weekdays
 ➤ Tuesday 5.30pm Bega
 ➤ Wednesday 9.00am Tathra, 5.30pm Bega.
 ➤ Thursday 9.15am Bega
 ➤ 3rd Thurs. 11.00am Hillgrove House
 ➤ Friday 9.15am Bega 4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
 ➤ Saturday 9.15am Bega

RECENTLY DECEASED Marie Parsons, Mal Ramsey, Sr Elizabeth Glass rsj, John Lawler, Sr Marietta Drew rsj
ANNIVERSARIES Janette Crowe, Ann Ptolemy, Bob Eckhardt, Myles O'Reilly, Rosemary Tarlinton, Lola Boller, Rex Healy, Paul Coman, Souls in Purgatory.

27th - St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop. Born in Italy in the sixth century. Died at Canterbury around 605. A prior of a Roman monastery who was sent by St Gregory the Great to preach the gospel to the English. Arrived in England the following year after being ordained a bishop while in Gaul. He evangelised the kingdom of Kent. Venerated by Catholics & Anglicans alike as founder of the metropolitan see of Canterbury.
31th - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Feast This feast celebrates the Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin Elizabeth, and her example of faith in God's word and sensitivity to the Spirit. It was introduced into the Franciscan calendar by St Bonaventure in the 13th century and was extended in 1389 to the entire Latin Church to heal the divisions in the Western Church of the time.
1st June - St Justin, Martyr. Born about 100 at Nablus (Palestine). Died about 165 in Rome. After lengthy study of Greek philosophies, he acknowledged Christ as the source of all truth. A lay intellectual, Christian philosopher, and apologist. Remembered for his reasoned defence of Christian belief and practice and for the ultimate witness given by his martyrdom.

Marriage & Family Sunday 2nd June:
 ✦ *Mass* will be celebrated at the regular 11am Mass at St Christopher's Cathedral and will include a Renewal of Marriage Vows for all who wish to participate. No need to register. Just turn up and join in.
 ✦ *Marriage as Mission Lunch, Expo and Forum*, 12pm-3pm Manuka. Registrations essential, \$10 donation at the door. Billeting available for couples from regional areas. Calling all married couples to gather for 12-1pm Lunch and Marriage Expo, followed by a Marriage as Mission Forum. Guest speakers Joe & Louise Zavone plus representations from various groups, ministries and agencies involved in marriage formation and support. Enquiries ring Lara Kirk 0429 192 869 or email lara.kirk@cg.org.au
 Registrations at http://bit.ly/marriage_mission2019

