

Responsorial Psalm. Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor.

Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, Alleluia
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
To make you rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia

Communion Antiphon You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

ROSTERS - 28th/29th September 2019
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator J Guthrie
Readers M Guthrie
Gifts
Cleaners Bevitt

Candelo Sat 6pm

Commentator J Coman
Readers P O'Callaghan
Gifts Ann Hyam
Cleaners - Sept Patricia O'Callaghan

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Chris Adams
Readers Michael Doig
Gifts Margaret Roberts
Cleaners Helen Buckley & Family
Wardens Les Maley, Peter Mullaney
Audio-Visual Margaret Taylor
Eucharistic Ministers Denise Miller, Mark Oakley

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator P Malone
Readers J Scott-Pegum
Gifts Tomlinson Family
Counters T & M Collins
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte Sean McCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers E Collins, A Tarlinton
J Taylor, Frank Farrell
Nursing Home

Wise Words: Prayer
is the best weapon we
have; it is the key to
God's heart. You must
speak to Jesus not
only with your lips, but
with your heart. In fact
on certain occasions
you should only speak
to Him with your heart.
- Pío of Pietrelcina



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



25th Sunday —Year C

22nd September 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.

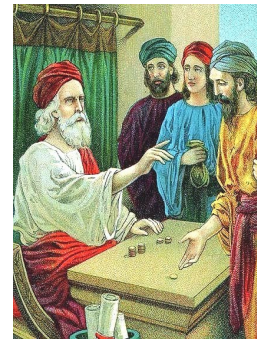
Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Steve Centra 6495 8888

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Act now to avoid crisis

After addressing the 'Pharisees and the scribes' in last Sunday's gospel, Jesus now teaches his disciples once again. The subject matter is the proper use of wealth. This troublesome parable about the dishonest steward looks both forward and backward. It starts the same way as next Sunday's parable about Lazarus, 'There was a rich man', and in many details looks back both to the parables of the rich fool (Sunday 18) and to the prodigal son (Sunday 24) who, like the steward in this Sunday's gospel, squandered his possessions.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The parables of the rich fool and the dishonest steward find someone in a situation requiring action. The rich man with bountiful harvest and the steward both ask themselves the same question: 'What shall I do?'. Each answers his own question: the rich man says, 'this is what I shall do', while the steward says, 'I know what I shall do'. What is surprising is that while the rich man's plan to build a larger storehouse seems reasonable, God calls him a 'fool' and demands of him his life 'this night', but the dishonest steward is commended by his master (literally, 'lord kurios') 'for acting prudently'. The folly of the rich man was to think that his bountiful harvest would guarantee a future of comfort and pleasure.

By contrast the steward recognised his situation as a crisis that required immediate and decisive action. With his employment and security about to end, he put his master's debtors in the position of owing him (the steward) a favour: this quid pro quo obligation which the debtors would be honour-bound to repay guaranteed the steward's future survival. The parable doesn't comment on the morality of the steward's actions, only his decisiveness in recognising a crisis and acting immediately to avert disaster. This is the skill 'the children of light' must learn from 'the children of this world'. This recalls the sayings about the narrow door (Sunday 21): act now before it is too late.

Dear Parishioners. A wonderful Celebration of confirmation had last week-
We continue to pray for the newly confirmed.

I will be away on annual leave for two weeks (Sunday's 6th October and 13th October included)- I will be traveling with three of my seminary class mates.

The Newly formed PPC met this week on Thursday. We look forward to beginning this time together and working on becoming a Welcoming Parish- more to come after my break.
Peace, Fr. Luke

St Patrick's School annual dance concert: 'the 90's and beyond' evening performance Thursday the 26th, contact the school for ticket bookings; free Matinee 12 noon Friday 27th.



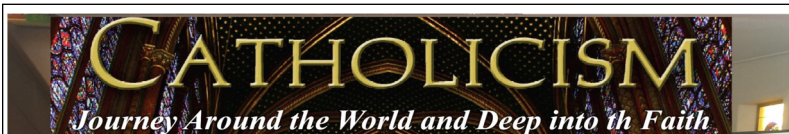
Ozanam Appeal. Leaving Collection next Sunday. The Ozanam appeal supports the twinned conferences of our local St Vincent de Paul Society. *Please be generous.*

Father's Day Appeal – Donations are still being collected for the Annual collection for retired priests. Envelopes are available in the church, slips are printed in the Catholic Voice and can be made online at www.cgcatholic.org.au/donate. Donors will be issued with a tax deductible receipt for gifts over \$2.00.

The 2019 Marian Procession (27th October) will be a festival of celebration, prayer and fun with African music, children's activities and more. All welcome at St Clements, Galong. www.marianprocession.org.au

Job Vacancies: Are you a confident public speaker? Are you looking for flexible ongoing part time work? Could you share the stories of suffering Christians? Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of **Diocesan Outreach Assistants** who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across the Archdiocese. For more details visit www.aidtochurch.org/work

The last Sunday of September is Social Justice Sunday. The social justice aspect of Christian teaching and action will be emphasised at Masses on this day, but we need to be aware that worship and justice are always intimately connected. On Social Justice Sunday we celebrate the Bishops annual Social Justice Statements, as they have done since 1940. In the Statements we see the relevance of the Church's social principles to critical issues of the day.



Reminder- Catholicism Series is running Tuesday Nights.

Tuesday 24th September 6pm - That Than Which Nothing Greater Can Be Thought: The Ineffable Mystery of God - 50 min

In St Patrick's Church with cuppa and discussion afterwards.



Please use the sheet at the church entrance to order your copy. Still \$15.

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 Tyler Finucane

ANNIVERSARIES P O'Callaghan, Harold & Eunice Tarlinton, Gerald Rheinberger, Monica Williams, Dulcie Heffernan, John Patrick Greal, Johnnie Roberts

PLEASE PRAY FOR Mariclare Malone and her upcoming operation.

23rd - St Pius of Pietrelcina, known as Padre Pio. 1887-1968. Remembered as an extraordinary confessor and spiritual director.
26th - Sts Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs. Later legend identified them as twin brothers who practiced medicine without charge to their patients.
Feast Days this Week
27th - St Vincent de Paul, Priest. 1581-1660. Remembered especially for his practical concern for the poor and the sick.
28th - St Wenceslaus, Martyr. 907-929. Remembered as the earliest Slav saint for his selflessness in promoting the Christian faith.
28th - Sts Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs. This commemoration marks the witness of sixteen among the many martyred in Nagasaki (Japan) between 1633 & 1637. Remembered as courageous missionaries who sowed abundant seeds of the Christian faith in the Philippines, Taiwan and Japan and who remained fearless in the face of death.

Become a Member of Serra. The three-fold mission of Serra is to promote and support vocations to the priesthood, to promote and support vocations to consecrated life, and to recognise and respond to our own call to holiness. Membership is open to any adult Catholic who is prepared to pray regularly for vocations and associate in activities consistent with our mission, and show solidarity with our priests, seminarians and religious. Email: enquiries@serracanberra.org Tel: 0262861720, 0408113690

Wisdom of the Desert Retreat. 29 November. An explanation of what humanity is when it is in touch with God through Jesus Christ led by Carmel Moore rsj and Jan Wylie, NSW co-ordinator of Christian Meditation at St Clements's Retreat & Conference Centre, Galong. Attend for either the weekend 6.00pm Friday 29th November to after lunch on Sunday 1st December. Ensuite room \$300.00, shared facilities \$260.00 or: for six days 6.00pm Friday 29th November to after breakfast on Friday 6th December. Ensuite room \$650.00, shared facilities \$550.00 Email info@stclement.com.au or P 02 6380 5222

