

Responsorial Psalm. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth..

Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, Alleluia
The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.
Alleluia

Communion Antiphon Behold, the eyes if the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

ROSTERS - 26th/27th October 2019
Please arrange a swap if you are not available


Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator P Bateman
Readers S Berman
Gifts Berman
Cleaners Allen

Candelo Sun 9:30am
Commentator Ann Haesy
Readers Oliver Raschke
Gifts Ann Hyam
Cleaners - Oct Julie Banks, Rosie Coman

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Gerard Hergenhan
Readers Michael Hergenhan
Gifts Denise & Rob Cummins
Cleaners Christine Ford
Wardens Rob Cummins, Peter Preo
Audio-Visual Judith Reid
Eucharistic Ministers J Battista, Phil McDonald

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator J Lott
Readers M Johnston, M Scott
Gifts Woods Family
Counters P & F
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte Frank Farrell
Eucharistic Ministers B Tygh, B Burton
M Rheinberger, J Taylor
Nursing Home

Wise Words:
We must reflect the light of Christ through lives of prayer and joyful service to others.
- Pope John Paul II




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— TBC
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




29th Sunday —Year C 20th October 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 St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500 Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Steve Centra 6495 8888	Ph. 64921058, Fax 64925399 PO. Box 6. Bega. NSW 2550. Email: Bega@cg.org.au Website: http://cg.org.au/bega/
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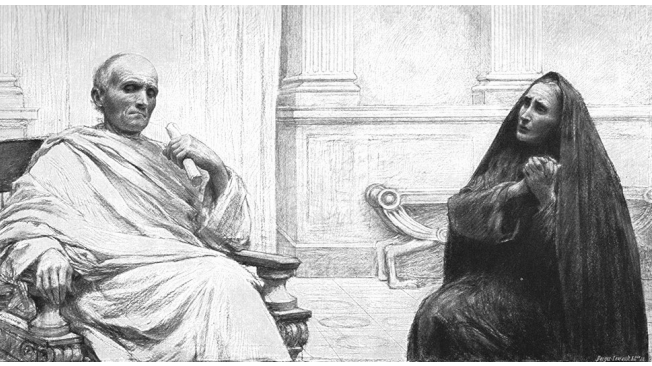


The Persistent Widow

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The parable of the widow and the unjust judge recalls the parable of the neighbour in need (Sunday 17). Both parables feature someone in need who turns to another for help; when help is denied, the petitioner persists until answered. In both cases the one in a position to help - the judge who has power to give justice and the neighbour who has bread to share - perceives the petitioner as one who is 'bothering me' and is finally moved solely by persistence. Then Jesus makes the point that if even these people who give begrudgingly give nevertheless, how much more will God give to those who ask and hasten to secure the rights of God's chosen ones. In both cases the presentation of God is tied to the nature of the petitioner's need. In the first case people need the Holy Spirit more than the body needs bread: God, the giver of



both, will respond to earnest need. God is presented as the divine parent ('Father in heaven') and benefactor. In the second case the widow is in need of justice; God is the champion of the oppressed, the defender of justice, the one who will 'secure the rights' of widows and those in distress.

In interpreting this parable on its own terms, that is, without Luke's introduction, we may focus on either the judge or on the widow. The unjust judge serves as a foil for the God of Israel whom the Scriptures celebrate as the 'Father of the fatherless, the defender of widows' (Ps 68:6) and as a 'God of justice' (Isaiah 30:18; Sirach 35:12). Before such a God who speedily 'secures the rights of his chosen ones', petitioners may come with supreme confidence that they will be heard and vindicated. To focus on the widow is to move in the direction of Luke's introduction: this is a parable about the 'need to pray without losing heart'.

World Mission Sunday - Ghana

"Do not fear for I am with you".

In line with traditional beliefs, in parts of Ghana, children born with a disability, or whose mother passes during childbirth, are considered to be 'spirit children' and thus at risk of being harmed or killed. The Church in Ghana is dedicated to protecting these children and educating families to ensure every child has a chance to live full life. The Nazareth Home for God's Children is among the pioneers in this crucial mission. Donations can also be made at 1800 257 296 & catholicmission.org.au/Ghana *Thank you for your Generosity.*



Invitation to the Book Launch of From Ganmain to Rome & Back Reflections on the Life & Priestly Ministry of Archbishop Francis Carroll DD DCL by Dr Kevin Lawlor Wednesday 6 November 2019 at 11.30 am Ganmain Sports Club 1 Ford Street Ganmain NSW RSVP: Wednesday 30 October 2019 M: 0428 593 191 or A: PO Box 3007 Batehaven NSW 2536 or E: philomenabillington@gmail.com or

Discover Palms. An event in Canberra to discover more about our *current opportunities*. Palms participants **Tony Bozicevic** and **Ivapene Seiuli** invite you to consider the possibilities of sharing capacity to develop communities. Saturday November 16th @ 11am King O'Malley's Pub 131 City Walk, Civic. Phone Palms on 9560 5333

The Epiphany Pilgrimage: Journey through the Blue Mountains this January The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a not-for-profit event of the Diocese of Parramatta and outreach of the Blue Mountains Deanery. Beginning at Emu Plains on 2 January and finishing 7 days later at Bell, pilgrims walk 110km through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland, celebrating the Christmas season with each parish along the way. To register for all or part of the pilgrimage walk or join in the parish festivities, visit www.epiphanypilgrimage.org.

Reflection day for Women - *Preparing our Hearts for Advent*, 23rd Nov. At: Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, Mulgoa. \$25 Includes morning and afternoon tea - BYO lunch RSVP by 20th November to info@schoenstatt.org.au or phone 02 4773 8338

November Marriage Enrichment Weekend. 8-10 November. *Take the time to step back from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship!* At Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at www.wwme.org.au Contact: Adrian & Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

Sunday Mass Times	
➤ <u>Bemboka</u>	- Saturdays - 6pm Vigil
➤ <u>Candelo</u>	- Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th - Sundays - 9:30am Mass 2nd, 4th
➤ <u>Tathra</u>	- Sundays - 7.45am Mass
➤ <u>Bega</u>	- 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 <i>'Holy Hour of Mercy'</i>
➤ Saturday	9.15am Bega

RECENTLY DECEASED Patricia Bateman, Joe McBride,

ANNIVERSARIES Nena Bataan, Margaret Bateman, Sr Eugene Heffernan, Leo Bateman, Fr Dominic Egan, Fr Tom Grealy, Dean Deegan, Nessie O'Neill, Loretta McDonald, Daniel McCambridge, Colleen Rake

Feast Days this Week

22nd - St John Paul II. Pope from 1978-2005. Significantly improved the Catholic Church's relations with Judaism, Islam, the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Anglican Communion. Emphasised the universal call to holiness. Beatified 1,340 and canonised 483 people, more than the combined total of his predecessors during the previous five centuries. October 22 is the anniversary of his papal inauguration.

23rd - St John of Capistrano, Priest. 1386-1456. A successful preacher, committed Franciscan reformer, zealous inquisitor in Vienna, and spiritual leader of a victorious crusade against the Ottoman forces. Remembered for his preaching and austerity of life.

24th - St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop. 1807-1870. Remembered for his work of religious renewal through the spoken and printed word.

100th Anniversary of St. John Paul II's birth - MAY 2020. POLAND, 8 DAYS. A pilgrimage that during 8 days will take you to many places related to the St John Paul II. The program includes the following places: Warsaw, Czestochowa, Auschwitz-Birkenau, Krakow, Kazimierz, Wieliczka, Lagiewniki, Wadowice, Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, Zakopane and Tatra Mountains.

www.facebook.com/ernesto.travel & www.instagram.com/ernesto_travel_touropertor

Grandparents Day 25th October.

Are you a grandparent figure who can share a skill with the students at St Patrick's? Please see Tanya or Caz after Mass or complete the form in the entrance & place on the 2nd Collection.



God's Word 2020

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



The Way 2019

Advent & Christmas Daily reflections. Again from the Diocese of Wollongong. Order form at the church entrance. \$4.

