

Responsorial Psalm. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, Alleluia
 God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
 and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
 Alleluia

Communion Antiphon We will ring out our joy at your saving help
 and exult in the name of our God.

ROSTERS - 2nd/3rd November 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 Sarah Andrews
Gifts John & Rosie Coman
Cleaners - Nov A & P Haahesy, E Collins

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Eileen Record
Readers Chris Adams
Gifts Lee R
Cleaners Megan Hergenhan
Wardens D Grainger, Rob Cummins
Audio-Visual Vicki Kennaugh
Eucharistic Ministers Phil McDonald, Judith Reid

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator P Malone
Readers K Jennings, M O'Neill
Gifts Tomlinson Family
Counters B & E Richards
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte Sean McCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers C Tarlinton, U de Morsier
 E Caragher, R Healey
Nursing Home M Twyford

Wise Words:
 Actions speak
 louder than
 words; let your
 words teach
 and your
 actions speak.
 - St Anthony of
 Padua



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





30th Sunday —Year C

St. Patrick's Parish

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

27th October 2019

Fr. Luke Verrell. Parish Priest.
 Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.
 Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
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Humility and Prayer *30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Once again Luke's introduction tells the reader how to interpret the parable. Last Sunday's parable of the widow and the unjust judge was about the need to 'pray always'. Similarly, the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector is addressed to 'those who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else'. Though it is traditional to interpret this as a parable about prayer, Luke offers it as a teaching about humility. Thus the moral is stated explicitly: 'everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted' (Sunday 22). Again, Luke uses a parable to illustrate a theme: 'He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly'. The Pharisee is humbled, the tax collector is exalted.



The reading from Sirach, together with the responsorial psalm, invites the interpreter of the parable to consider humility as an essential aspect of prayer, thus combining the two themes. Chapter 35 of Sirach (from which this Sunday's first reading is taken) compares moral life and worship in the Temple: 'To keep the law is a great oblation, and he who observes the commandments sacrifices a peace offering'. In other words, religious

practice cannot be separated from one's way of life. In this, at least, the Pharisee is correct in avoiding greed, dishonesty, and adultery. But this self-made man needs nothing from God; there is nothing asked, nothing for God to grant. But when the needy call out (especially for what God alone can grant: mercy) then God 'will not delay'. God attends to 'the weak ... the oppressed ... the orphan ... the widow ... the lowly'. God responds to their 'cry ... wail ... complaint ... petition ... prayer'. Indeed, God 'judges justly and affirms the right'. In many ways this passage eloquently summarises last Sunday's gospel as well. Taken together the two parables highlight a particularly Lukan theme: God's care for the 'poor;' Their need - expressed simply and poignantly by the prayer of the tax collector - moves the compassionate God of justice to 'lift up the lowly'.



We Welcome into our Parish Family:

Arlie Brian Lambden &

Oliver Archer Lucas

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

All Saints Day: Friday 1st November 9:15am St Patrick's Chapel.

All Souls Day Mass Bega's cemetery - Saturday 2nd Nov 7am. **BYO your own chair.**

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS. Envelopes may be placed on the collection plates.

God's Word 2020 & The Way Advent Booklet. Please use the sheet at the church entrance to order your copy. Columban Calendars will be available in early November.



Thank you for all your prayers and support during Mariclare's recent surgery. Trish Malone.

World Mission Sunday Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for reaching out to communities and children in need in Ghana and throughout the world. Envelopes can still be left in the second collection or donations can also be made at 1800 257 296 & catholicmission.org.au/Ghana

Sing To God. A 10 week course for people to develop confidence in their voices and discover new songs for worship. Teachers are Dr Douglas Simper & Lorna Zhulan. Funded by a bushfire grant from Winmalee and Tathra Uniting Churches. Starting Wednesday October 23rd 5:30-7pm, at Tathra Uniting Church. *Everybody Welcome.*

National Prayer Campaign for Drought The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

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 Patricia Bateman, Joe McBride,

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

Feast Days this Week

28th - Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles. A tradition has Simon and Jude preaching and being martyred in Persia. Honoured among the twelve apostles, the first followers of Christ.

1st Nov - All Saints. Honoured today are all holy men and women in glory with Christ: known or unknown, mighty or lowly, all whose lives were modelled on the Beatitudes and on the great commandment of love.

2nd - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. This day of commemoration began early in the Middle Ages with annual prayers for the dead in monastic communities. Fixed on this day, it spread more widely after the tenth century and now ranks with the principal feast days in the liturgical calendar. Commonly known as All Souls, it expresses Christian faith in the communion of saints and our need to pray for one another in the Church, especially those souls in purgatory "who have been buried in their human imperfection".

Memorial Mass for Loved Ones Who have Died by Suicide - 8th November.

St Joseph's Parish O'Connor invites the family and friends of those who have died by suicide to a special Memorial Mass at 6.00pm. People of all religious and non-religious affiliations are warmly welcome. A light supper will follow providing an opportunity to meet others who live with the impact of suicide. Specialist counsellors will be present to provide support.

Last year's Mass was offered for 51 souls, each remembered by name in the Eucharistic prayer. Families and friends placed photographs before the Altar along with candles lit from the Paschal candle. Many who attended found the service to be a profoundly moving and healing experience.

To include a loved one in the liturgy (even if you are unable to attend) or for further information, please email Catherine at catherine.m.paice@gmail.com or call/text 0415 154 784.

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

