

Responsorial Psalm. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, Alleluia
God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Alleluia

Communion Antiphon You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

ROSTERS - 9th/10th November 2019
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator E Bevitt
Readers G Bevitt
Gifts Allen
Cleaners Berman

Candelo Sun 9:30am

Commentator R Heffernan
Readers P O'Callaghan
Gifts Margaret & Geoff Heffernan
Cleaners - Nov A & P Hahey, E Collins

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Chris Adams
Readers Carleen Maley
Gifts Val Besant & Trish Sly
Cleaners Val Besant & Marg Roberts
Wardens Bernard Miller, D Grainger
Audio-Visual Paul Gardiner
Eucharistic Ministers Judith Reid, Mark Oakley

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator R Sheehan
Readers C Perryman, T Tomlinson
Gifts Bex Gabriel
Counters T & M Collins
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte Tony Healey
Eucharistic Ministers A Tarlinton, V Coman
J Taylor, B Tygh

Nursing Home

Wise Words:

God shows us the way to turn back to turn back to him & invites us to experience his closeness anew -
Pope Francis
'Misericordia et Misera'



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

LOST & FOUND



31st Sunday —Year C

3rd November 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*
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Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?"

Come and See he replied. (Jn 1:39)

Dear Parishioners

For those considering becoming a Catholic the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will commence **6pm Thursday 14th November back of the St Pat's Church-** continuing each week during School terms - until Easter 2020.

There is no obligation to becoming a Catholic, but it is a time to discern the call to become Catholic by exploring the faith, traditions and community of the Catholic Church. For more info please contact me. luke.verrell@cg.org.au

Peace Fr Luke



Did you know?


RCIA was universally restored in the Roman Catholic Church in the 1970's to prepare unbaptised adults for membership in the Church. Also called 'the Catechumenate', this process of Christian initiation has several stages and ritual steps, leading up to the reception of all three sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, usually at the Easter Vigil. People undertaking this journey of initiation are called 'catechumens.' If you have already been baptised than you are called a 'candidate'. The RCIA process is also for adult Catholics who wish to reconnect to their faith.

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.

Singing Liturgy- *Songs from the Living Parish Hymnbook.*

Sunday 24th November 2-4pm, Star of the Sea Tathra. Bring something to share at afternoon tea and enjoy revisiting some of these hymn that we have known and don't sing so much anymore. All Welcome. More information Mark Oakley 6494 1472.

 **Lumen Christi Year 7 2020, Orientation day.** Friday, 29 November 9am to 3:20pm. Students wear their primary sports uniform and runners. Bring pencil case, recess, lunch, drink & hat. Please note a sausage sizzle will also be held at lunchtime


National Prayer Campaign for Drought The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

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.

Celebrating the Life of
Claude Hayson
Requiem Mass
St Patrick's
Monday 11th 1pm



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 Claude Hayson, May Campbell, Patricia Bateman, Joe McBride

ANNIVERSARIES Jim Barrett, Clare Herbert, Julie Smith, Nena Bataan, Margaret Bateman, Sr Eugene Heffernan, Leo Bateman

Feast Days this Week

3rd - St Martin de Porres. 1579-1639. Remembered for his humility and holiness, his ministry to African slaves, and his dedicated service of the poor and the sick of all races.

4th - St Charles Borromeo, Bishop. 1538-1584. Remembered as an exemplary & pastoral bishop & an ardent proponent of reform & renewal.

9th - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. It honours the local Church of Rome as a link with earliest Christian tradition and as a sign of our communion in Christ.

Zacchaeus & Tax Collectors



Tax collectors were hated for two reasons. First, they were collaborators with the occupying Roman Empire, employed to extract taxes from the Jews; these taxes were over and above the tithes (10%) that Jews owed to the Temple. Second, the way the tax system worked lent itself to abuse. Tax collectors were hired by Roman officials; the yearly tax for an area was assessed and the tax collector paid it up front out of his own pocket. The Romans, money in hand, left it to the devices of the tax collector to make back his money with a profit - gained through over-charging, cheating, interest, or other means. Tax collectors, understandably, gained a reputation for dishonesty. Early Rabbinic writings considered tax collecting a despised trade and associated tax collectors with robbers and murderers; the NT also lists them with other 'sinners' (Matthew 11:19; Mark 2:15-16; Luke 15:1). Zacchaeus, as chief tax collector, had many tax collectors working for him, adding another layer of employees eager to take their cut. Zacchaeus is thus an



embodiment of the outcast and the estranged, or, to use the language of this story, 'the lost'.

Jesus' meeting with Zacchaeus, his last encounter with sinners before he enters Jerusalem, summarises his ministry to this point and replays some earlier themes. Once again the episode begins by drawing attention to Jesus' journey and it ends with Jesus announcing salvation (Sunday 28).

The metaphor of finding the lost recalls the parable of the prodigal son in which the father rejoices that his son who 'was lost ... has been found' (Sunday 24). This episode also recaps the two previous parables. Like the persistent widow, Zacchaeus persists in seeking out Jesus; and like the tax collector in the previous parable, he acknowledges his sin and announces the restitution he repays for extortion committed in the line of business. Such persistence and repentance end with this sinner being saved: this lost child of Abraham has been found - the very reason for which the Son of Man has come'.