

**Entrance Antiphon** Look to your covenant, O Lord, & forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, & defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

**Responsorial Psalm** Lord, show us your mercy and love, & grant us your salvation.

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
I hope in the Lord,  
I trust in his word.  
Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,  
who gives you your finest wheat.

**ROSTERS - 19th/20th 2023**  
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

<b>Bemboka Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	G Green
<i>Readers</i>	G Bevitt
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	
<b>Candelo Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	L Thompson
<i>Readers</i>	M Whitby
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners - Aug</i>	Ann Hyam, K Dodds
<b>Tathra Sun 7:45am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	Kate D'Arcy
<i>Readers</i>	Peter D'Arcy
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	Megan Hergenhan
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Carleen Maley
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Pat Platts, Eileen Reckord
<b>Bega Sun 9:30am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	M Henare
<i>Readers</i>	M Russell, T Tomlinson
<i>Gifts</i>	Volunteer
<i>Counters</i>	K Johnson & N Bateman
<i>Music</i>	
<i>Acolyte</i>	Sean McCambridge
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	B Larkin

**Wise Words:**  
Each person encounters God by their own way, inside the church, and the church is mother and guides each one by their own path.- Pope Francis WYD 2023



**Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation**  
*Bega* Saturday, 9.40 - 10am  
*Bemboka* before vigil Mass  
*Candelo* before vigil Mass  
*Tathra* before Sunday Mass

**St. Pat's Choir** practices Thurs 5.15—6pm  
Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 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:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays  
St Patrick's Church.  
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

**St Patrick's Sacramental programme 2023**  
*Baptisms*—During Mass, 1 month notice  
*Confirmation*—28th May  
*Weddings*—by appoint, 6 months notice req.  
Please contact the Parish Office.

**For Sale:** 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

**COURAGE!**



**19th Sunday - Year A**

# St. Patrick's Parish

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

**13th August 2023**

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**The Journey of Faith**

The journey of the disciples in the boat is not merely a rough crossing of a lake, but it is a highly symbolic journey, the journey of faith.


The journey begins with Christ who orders them to get into the boat and to go on ahead of him. We could imagine that they must have been on something of a high after the time with Christ and the miracle of the loaves and fish. Yet they obey. They set out without him, but are expecting to meet him later.


Next they encounter difficulty. It is heavy work as they battle against the wind on a rough sea.

The next step is fear. They see Christ, but they do not recognise him and they are frightened by the prospect of this strange phantom that approaches.

However, they recognise him once they hear his voice and they take courage. Peter plucks up enough courage to even ask the impossible, to do what Christ himself is doing. As long as he keeps his eyes on Christ, he manages. When he looks at the rough and choppy waves, however, he starts to sink. Christ has to come and grab him by the hand to save him.

*19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*





All these elements form part of the classic journey of faith. We set out on our journey of faith in answer to what Christ asks of us. Almost certainly, we will find difficulties, 'rough seas', and it becomes challenging. In the midst of that difficulty Christ might well come to us, yet we might not recognise him because of the fear that is within us, but he calls us to courage. Then, there are the moments of over confidence, when we step into the water a bit too early and take our eyes off the one who counts, Never fear though, he is there to catch us!



**Annual Mary Mackillop Pilgrimage to Eden.** Join with Archbishop Christopher Prowse as he journeys to Eden on 19th August for his annual pilgrimage. Mass is celebrated at 12.00pm in Our Lady Star of the Sea Church Eden followed by a shared lunch. Please book in via the link below to allow for catering. [Archbishop's Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage](#)

**School Masses.** ✦ *The Assumption* Tues 15th August 12:35pm. All Welcome

**Respect Life Sunday Celebration Mass** 1st October, 11 AM. Archbishop Christopher Prowse will celebrate Respect Life Sunday Celebration Mass at 11 AM on 1 October at St Christopher's Cathedral. All welcome, especially those who work at the coalface in caring and advocating for human life at its most vulnerable stages. A simple lunch will be provided afterwards. Enquiries: Lara Kirk [lara.kirk@cg.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cg.org.au)

**Integral ecology pilgrimage - *Let justice and peace flow.*** Via Zoom over 6 Thursday evenings: 6.30-8.30pm 31st August to 5th October. A collaboration between the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn and Australian Catholic University. This will be a dynamic, interactive and deep learning experience giving life to the global Laudato Si' goals – grounded on country, in eco-theology, and in Sacred Scripture. The experience of contemplation and dialogue will animate new pathways for the Laudato Si' action plan 2023-30 in the Archdiocese. This series is a vital step on our Care for Our Common Home journey together, as part of the Year of the Holy Spirit. For more information and registration, see the poster in the entrance. If you wish to lead a Bega Parish Hub to participate as a group, please contact the office. Thanks

**Stories from World You Day!** Archbishop Christopher invites you to view 3 videos from the current World Youth Day. Facebook page: [youth.cg/videos](#)

✦ Lucy Koelmeyer (Corpus Christi Parish) [Link Here](#)

✦ Melwyn Monteiro (Holy Spirit Parish) + Skye (Teacher) [Link Here](#)

✦ Australian Ambassador to Portugal, Ms Indra McCormick – Interviewed by Archbishop Christopher Prowse [link Here](#)

### You're Invited

- ✦ *Tathra* - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass. 13th August
  - ✦ *Bega* - Morning Tea 4th Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega. 27th August
- All Welcome. Please bring a friend.**

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### Sunday Mass Times

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

### Weekdays

- Tuesday 4.00pm Bega Church
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
- *Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 3pm*
- Friday 9.15am Bega Church  
4:30-5:30pm Bega '*Holy Hour of Mercy*'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Fr Ronald Donoghue (brother of Peter Donoghue Tony Dessmann, Marie Rheinberger, Ben Jennings (27), Joan Caddey,

**ANNIVERSARIES** Noa Jessop, John Daly, Patricia & Malcolm McCambridge,

**PRAYERS** Hugo D'Arcy and his family  
Noah Smith - operation in Sydney

### Feasts Days

- 13<sup>th</sup> - St Pontian**, Pope, Martyr & **St Hippolytus**, Priest, Martyr. Died some time in the fourth century after mistreatment in exile and brought back to Rome for burial on this day. Remembered as seekers of the truth.
- 14<sup>th</sup> - St Maximilian Mary Kolbe**, Priest & Martyr 1894-1941. Remembered for his energy and poverty, his compassionate ministry, and his self-sacrifice
- 15<sup>th</sup> - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- 16<sup>th</sup> - St Stephen of Hungary** 975-1038. Remembered for making Christianity the religion of the nation and for his justice to the oppressed and charity for the poor
- 19<sup>th</sup> - St John Eudes**, Priest 1601-1680. Remembered also for his promotion of devotion to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary

### The Story of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - *Franciscan Media*

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

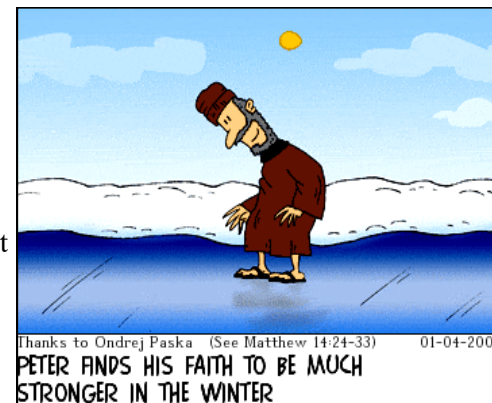


We find homilies on the Assumption going back to the 6th century. In following centuries, the Eastern Churches held steadily to the doctrine, but some authors in the West were hesitant. However by the 13th century there was universal agreement. The feast was celebrated under various names—Commemoration, Dormition, Passing, Assumption—from at least the fifth or sixth century. Today it is celebrated as a solemnity.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's assumption into heaven. Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both Old and New Testaments, her assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

Furthermore, in 1 Corinthians 15:20, Paul speaks of Christ's resurrection as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in his glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with him body and soul in heaven.



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