

**Entrance Antiphon** To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; And let none who hope in you be put to shame.

**Responsorial Psalm** To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.  
Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** The Lord will bestow his bounty,  
and our earth shall yield its increase.

**ROSTERS - 4th/5th December 2021**  
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

**Bemboka Sat 6pm**  
*Commentator* G Green  
*Readers* G Berman  
*Gifts*  
*Cleaners*

**Candelo Sat 6pm**  
*Commentator* L Thompson  
*Readers* R Coman  
*Gifts*  
*Cleaners - Dec* Lorraine & Simon Thompson

**Tathra Sun 7:45am**  
*Commentator* Pat Platts  
*Readers* Paul Gardiner  
*Gifts*  
*Cleaners* Vicki Kennaugh & Family  
*Audio-Visual* Kate D'Arcy  
*Eucharistic Ministers* Mark Oakley, Jacinta Battista

**Bega Sun 9:30am**  
*Commentator* M Henare  
*Readers* M Russell, T Tomlinson  
*Gifts*  
*Music*  
*Acolyte* Frank Farrell  
*Eucharistic Ministers* J Taylor, U de Morsier,  
E Collins, E Caragher  
*Nursing Home* TBA

**Wise Words:**  
Hope has 2 beautiful daughters; Anger & Courage. Anger at the way things are, & Courage to see that they do not remain as they are.  
- St Augustine



**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 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:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays  
St Patrick's Church.  
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

**St Patrick's Sacramental programme 2021**  
*Baptisms*—During Mass, 1 month notice  
*Confirmation*—TBA  
*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

**HOPE**



1st Advent - Year B 28th November 2021

**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 (LCCC), Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888

Ph. 64921058  
PO. Box 6. Bega. NSW 2550.  
Email: Bega@cg.org.au  
Website: <http://cg.org.au/bega/>  
Facebook: St Patricks Bega

**Promise/ Fulfilment:**



Luke begins his gospel with a formal introduction that describes his work and the work of others who preceded him as a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us. The theme of 'fulfilment' is important to Luke as he presents his gospel both to Jewish and Gentile Christians. To his Jewish Christian readers Luke offers assurances that God's word is reliable and that ancient promises made to their ancestors have not been abrogated but instead have been fulfilled. Thus, both Mary and Zechariah in their Canticles indicate that the wondrous deeds signalled in the annunciation to Mary and in the birth of John the Baptist are concrete realisations of past commitments. Mary exclaims that God remembered his mercy 'according to his promise to our fathers, to Abraham and to his descendants forever'; Zechariah praises God who 'has raised up a horn for our salvation . . . as he promised through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old'. Divine promises and prophetic words are being fulfilled in Jesus.

Luke's Gentile readers face a different but related problem: as Christianity loses ground in the Jewish world and increasingly moves into Gentile territory, it could easily be assumed that God has abandoned the Jews and has newly adopted the Gentiles. (Paul had to argue against this view in his letter to the Romans.) If this were the case, Gentiles might fear that God would also abandon them in the future. Luke goes to great lengths to show that God's plan is orderly: the offer of salvation began with Jews and when God had fulfilled the divine promises to them, God extended



salvation to include Gentiles. Thus, Gentiles can be assured that Jesus' offer of salvation is trustworthy and is a continuation of the divine mercy that began with the Jewish ancestors, 'Abraham and his descendants'.

In like manner, the words of Jesus in this gospel are trustworthy. Being forewarned, disciples can stand with confident assurance because the coming of the Son of Man is not disaster, but rather is the dawn of their redemption.

**STAY COVID-19 SAFE**

<b>Wear Mask</b>	Sanitise hands	Sign in: - QR code or sheet
Singing with social distance	Communion in the hand or mouth	Do <b>not</b> return bulletin
		Keep social distance - 2m <sup>2</sup>

**Christmas Choir:** combined choir made up of all our singers from every Church. Open to all - practice from 6pm St Pats- each Wednesday until Christmas.



**Vinnies News:** ♦ *Fashion Parade* - 11th December. Bega Country Club. Doors open at 5pm. Tickets are \$20 are available at Vinnies Store Bega.

**God's Word 2022** Now available for collection. \$20, payment can be made via cash or the TapNGo machine. Please ensure that payment method is indicated on the order sheet. Thank you!

**Aid to the Church in Need Australia:** ACN is running an advent appeal to help Christian refugees who are suffering due to persecution, conflict and violence. This year share the hope of Christmas with Christian refugees and help ease their burdens. To read stories and watch videos of how ACN is helping our suffering brothers and sisters and to make a donation please visit [www.aidtochurch.org/adventappeal](http://www.aidtochurch.org/adventappeal).

**Zoom Advent Discussion Groups.** Join an Archdiocesan ZOOM Advent discussion 4pm on Sunday 28th November or 10am on Tuesday 30th November. Log on as an individual or as a group using: Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/96186839540> Meeting ID: 961 8683 9540  
Or use the resource at a time that suits you. More info [www.cgatholic.org.au/ADVENT](http://www.cgatholic.org.au/ADVENT) Enquiries [lara.kirk@cg.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cg.org.au) or 0429 192 869.

**Laudato Si Action Platform.** The much-anticipated Laudato Si' Action Platform was officially launched last week. The platform offers Catholics and "all people of good will" concrete steps and support towards achieving sustainability in the spirit of integral ecology as described in Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical on the care of creation. The platform identifies 7 sectors working towards 7 goals over 7 years. Everyone is invited to participate by enrolling in the platform. Further information -

- <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/>
- <https://www.care4ourcommonhome.org/home>

**2022 Columban Calendars \$9**

To Purchase:  
♦ From the church entrance:  
Please use the envelope provided & place in 2nd collection.  
♦ Contact the office via phone or email.



**Weekdays**

- Tuesday 5.30pm Bega Church
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
- Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 11am
- Friday 9.15am Bega Church
- 4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

**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

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Sr M Christina Keogh RSJ, Clare O'Reilly, Margaret Boller  
**ANNIVERSARIES** Patricia Tergurtha, Crowe & McNamara Families, Rina Sheehan, Ann Farrell, Cec Berman, Bob Armstrong, Col & Peg Hergenhan  
**PRAYERS** Anne Smith & her children Henry & Malory (Sue Gardiner's Daughter). Jenny Ryan and June O'Farrell - Ill health. John Verrell - Ill Health

**Feasts Days**  
**30<sup>th</sup> Nov - St Andrew**, Apostle. Widely venerated since ancient times and remembered as one of the twelve who bore witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Dec - St Francis Xavier**, Priest, 1506-1552. Travelled extensively through southeast Asia to Japan, winning many converts and leaving behind organised Christian communities. Remembered for the witness of his poverty and for his tireless efforts as a missionary.  
**4<sup>th</sup> - St John Damascene**, Priest & Doctor of the Church, 675-749. Remembered for his vigorous defence of the veneration of images against the iconoclasts, for his theological writings synthesising the thought of the Greek Fathers, and for his poetry and hymnody.



**Prayer for the 2021 International Day of People with Disability**

God of all people,  
You have made us in your image,  
delighting in your creation.  
Help us to see and receive each person as a beloved and unique part of your body.  
**We are all part of the Body of Christ.**  
You desire all people to use their gifts to enrich the world around them.  
Help us to celebrate and support the participation and leadership of people with disability in our communities.  
**We are all part of the Body of Christ.**  
You give and sustain life, opening ways of thinking and doing that allow all to grow.  
Help us to be inclusive in welcoming people with disability as a vital part of "us".  
**We are all part of the Body of Christ.**  
We ask this through Christ, who lives within us and calls us all to fullness of life. **Amen.**

**Christmas Mass Times 2021**

*Christmas Eve*  
Bega 6:30pm Carols-Flats  
7:00pm Family Vigil  
Candelo 6pm (Fr Rex)  
*Christmas Day*  
Tathra 7:45am - Headland  
Bemboka 9.00am (Fr Rex)

**Bring own chair or rug for outdoor masses**

