

**Responsorial Psalm.** A light rises in the darkness for the upright.  
**Gospel Acclamation.** Alleluia, Alleluia  
 I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
 the man who follows me will have the light of life.  
 Alleluia

**Communion Antiphon** Let them thanks the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

**ROSTERS - 15th/16th February 2020**  
 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* Sharon Heffernan  
*Readers* Sarah Andrews  
*Gifts* Ann Hyam  
*Cleaners - Feb* Sharon & David Heffernan

**Tathra Sun 7:45am**  
*Commentator* Mary Tupper  
*Readers* Bob Weston  
*Gifts* Mike & Mary Tupper  
*Cleaners* B O'Brien & S Gardiner  
*Wardens* B Miller, Michael & Eddie  
*Audio-Visual* Margaret Taylor  
*Eucharistic Ministers* Trish Sly, Michael Doig

**Bega Sun 9:30am**  
*Commentator* P Malone  
*Readers* C Perryman, T Tomlinson  
*Gifts* Tomlinson family  
*Counters* C Murphy & T 'D' Arcy  
*Music* Matt Heffernan & Choir  
*Acolyte* Tony Healey  
*Eucharistic Ministers* U de Morsier, A Tarlinton  
 M Rheinberger, B Tygh  
*Nursing Home* E Caragher

**Wise Words:**

Lighthouses don't fire cannons to call attention their shining...  
 They just shine.  
 - Dwight L Moody



**Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation**  
*Bega* Saturday, 9.40 - 10.10am  
*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 2020**  
*Baptisms*—During Mass, 1 month notice  
*First Reconciliation*— 27th March  
*First Communion*—11th June  
*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





**5th Sunday - Year A**

# St. Patrick's Parish

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

**9th February 2019**

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 Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Steve Centra 6495 8888

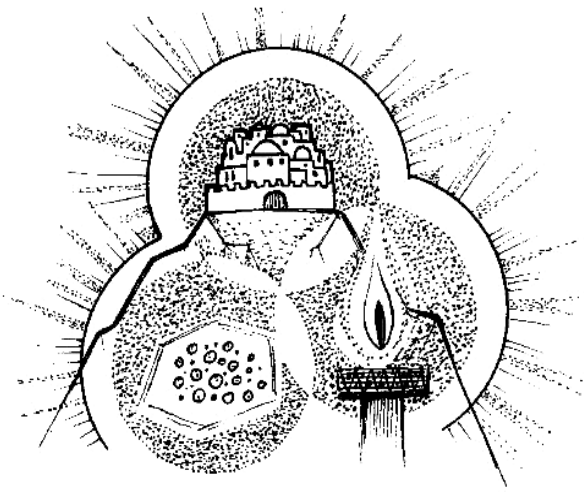
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**Salt & Light**

*5th Sunday in Ordinary Time*



The first reading from Isaiah proclaims that light shall break through the darkness of anger and resentment when people do good works for those around them. Foreshadowing Christ the Light who would come like the dawn, the first reading speaks of feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless and bringing relief to the oppressed. The responsorial psalm, in answer, puts the words on the lips of the assembly: "A light rises in the darkness for the upright".



In the Gospel the analogies of salt and light would have been full of meaning for people in Jesus' time. Salt was universally important for its medicinal and preservative qualities, and for its value as a flavour enhancer. Similarly, the followers of Jesus are to heal divisions, preserve the world from injustice and oppression, and enhance the flavour of life by influencing the world in a positive way. The value of light is perhaps less appreciated in modern times with ready access to electricity, but in the time of Jesus, it

was a far more precious commodity. Without a wick in a bowl of oil, there was no light in the darkness. Jesus' followers, likewise, according to the gospel, must illuminate the world through their good deeds which must be visible for all to see. This is not for their own personal esteem, however, but in order that others might give glory to God. Notice that Jesus does not say "You are *like* the salt of the earth" but rather "You *are* the salt of the earth." He does not say "You *can* be the light of the world" but rather "You *are* the light of the world". Jesus generously declares that all of his followers are in fact salt and light, that there is sanctity in the ordinariness of human life.



**Save the Date!** Relics of St Therese of Lisieux and her parents St Louis & St Zelle will visit our Parish from the evening of March 29th till 1pm the following day. Mass will be celebrated Monday 30th 9:15am

**St Patrick's School Masses.** ☩ *Ash Wednesday* - 26th February 12:15pm  
☩ *Feast of St Patrick* - 17th March 12:15pm



**World Day of Prayer 6th March.** This year Christians around the world will gather to pray for Zimbabwe. Services: *Star of the Sea Tathra* - 10am; *St Patrick's Bega* - 1pm.

**RCIA.** Starting again this Thursday 13th 6pm, St Patrick's. For more info please contact Fr Luke. [luke.verrell@cg.org.au](mailto:luke.verrell@cg.org.au)

**Values and Voices in the Public Sphere** - 19th February. Commencing at 7.30pm in the Chapel, at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton ACT. The Hon. Dr Ken Crispin QC will speak to this issue. Ken is a leading jurist, Supreme Court Judge, President of the Court of Appeal and Commissioner for Standards for the Legislative Assembly. Website [ces.org.au](http://ces.org.au) for more information.

**Marriage Enrichment Weekend** - 17-19 April. Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at [www.wvme.org.au](http://www.wvme.org.au) Or contact Adrian & Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419; [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com) Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

**First Reconciliation 2020**



- ✦ **Information night** 12<sup>th</sup> February 6:30pm St Patrick's Church
- ✦ **Enrolment Mass** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 9:30am St Patrick's Church.
- ✦ **Candidate Family Masses** Sun 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> 5pm St Patrick's
- ✦ **First Reconciliation** 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> March, St Patrick's Church.
- ✦ **Thanksgiving Mass & Morning Tea** 29<sup>th</sup> March, 9:30am St Pat's

**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

**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** Robert, Patrick & Edna Salway

**ANNIVERSARIES** Heather Pook, Pam Collins, Eric, Caroline & Neville Turnbull, Alan Hanscombe

**Feast Days this Week**

**10<sup>th</sup> - St Scholastica.** 480-540. Like St Benedict, her brother & by tradition her twin, she dedicated herself to God through the monastic life. Remembered for her part in establishing Benedictine monasticism.  
**11<sup>th</sup> - Our Lady of Lourdes.** Observed since 1907, this memorial celebrates the immaculate Virgin Mary as honoured in Lourdes (France). This site of apparitions to the young Bernadette Soubirous in 1858 has become a focus of devotion to Mary.  
**14<sup>th</sup> - St Cyril, Monk 826-869, & St Methodius, Bishop 815-885.** Inventors of the Cyrillic alphabet. Honoured as apostles of the Slavic peoples. Remembered together for their contribution to Slavic culture, for their missionary inculturation of the faith, and for establishing links between East and West.

**Altar Servers.**

The role of Children as Altar Servers is a long tradition in the Catholic Church. The Church has seen Altar Serving as a means to foster vocations. It is also a way to deepen a child's love for service, and of the Mass, and to nurture self-pride and confidence. I welcome all school aged children (year 3 to year 12) to nominate for this role. Children may serve at ANY of the Parish Masses once they are trained. Training will initially take place- **10:45am- 12pm Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2020** (with more training to follow). Please fill in the form and present it to the Parish Office (or Fr. Luke) Please see me if you have any queries of difficulties. *Peace, Fr. Luke*

**Altar serving form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

The usual weekend Mass I attend with my family are: (e.g. Sunday (930am) \_\_\_\_\_

I have been Baptised (y/n) \_\_\_\_\_

I have made my first Holy Communion: \_\_\_ (y/n) \_\_\_\_\_

I have made Confirmation \_\_\_ (y/n) \_\_\_\_\_

School I attend \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

All children will need black leather polished shoes to serve in