Entrance Antiphon.

The Light of Christ

Thanks be to God

Communion Antiphon Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; therefore let us keep the feast of unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-12

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, send out your spirit,

and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: Exodus 14:15-15:1

Canticle: Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

Third Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11

Canticle: You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation

Gloria (sung) & collect. **Epistle:** Romans 6:3-11

Responsorial Psalm (sung): Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 28:1-10

Spiritual Communion Prayer.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I Embrace You as if You were already here, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

Preparing for Spiritual Communion.

1 - Prepare your heart for and encounter with Jesus

Create a space where you will be able to pray quietly. Focus on an image of Jesus and light a candle before Him. Make the Sign of the Cross.

- 2 Read or listen the Mass Readings
- 3 Recite the Prayer
- 4 Silence

Remain in silence for some moments. with Jesus in your heart. Allow him to love you and to nourish your soul.

Easter Sunday - Year A

12th April 2020 **St.** Patrick's Parish

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

Parish Priest. Fr. Luke Verrell. Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.

Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500 Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Steve Centra 6495 8888 Ph. 64921058, Fax 64925399 PO. Box 6. Bega. NSW 2550. Email: Bega@cg.org.au

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Dear Parishioners

Easter is here - the resurrection of Our Lord.

Our Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection is not just a re-enactment. Rather it is a recalling that brings to us the true reality of the universe (so often forgotten). This reality is that Christ is the master of all history and time. All our lives belong to him. We are saved by our faith in him and we rejoice in him, because through him our sins are forgiven and salvation gained.



Easter is eight-days long (!) and ends on what was traditionally called 'Low Sunday'- the second Sunday of Easter. Pope John Paul II, however, asked that it now be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. This Sunday is Easter continued- where the Mercy of Christ is poured out into the world. We receive this Mercy by being merciful to others.



Good Friday begins the Novena of the Divine Mercy Chapletto be said every day at 3pm.

At 3pm Sunday 13th I will bless the Devine Mercy image via Live Stream.

Christ has truly risen- Alleluia Alleluia! As he said- Alleluia Alleluia!

Fr. Luke

Bega Parish Stream YouTube link

https://www.voutube.com/channel/UC IP75FT2diL7Oowe5WUrhO

In compliance with Government policy to prevent the spread of COVID19 all Churches are now closed.

Administration of the Sacraments is still available in emergencies. Please contact Fr Luke directly.

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land 2020. Postponed till Sunday 13th of September, near the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: If you would like to continue contributing to the collections during the closure you can deposit directly into the accounts.

First Collection: Central Presbytery Fund - BSB: 062 786 - No: 00009248 reference: Bega Parish

Second Collection: St Patrick's Bega - BSB: 062 786 - No: 00013879 -Reference: **envelope number** (not your name) or 2nd Collection (for those without a number).

Envelopes can still be left at the office or in the locked mailbox at the presbytery If you wish to switch from envelopes to electronic - please contact the office. Project Compassion envelopes and boxes are still being collected by the office. Please contact Fr Luke or Tanya if you are unable to get to Bega.

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St Christopher Live Streams: Good Friday 'Way of the Cross' 10am and 'Celebrations of the Lords Passion' 3pm.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 7pm Easter Sunday Mass - 11am

St Mary's Televised Masses: Channel 7.

3pm Good Friday; and 10am Easter Sunday



Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Roberson Entered eternal life 2nd April 2020

Laid to rest at Bega



Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Nola Sutherland Entered eternal life 4th April 2020

Laid to rest at Cobargo

Sunday Mass Times

Sandolo - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil

Candelo - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th

- Sundays - 9:30all Cause 2nd, 4th

- Sundays - 7.45am Mass **≻**Tathra

- Sundays - 9.30am Mass ≽Bega

Weekdays

Tuesday 5.30pm Bega

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Thursday 9.15th Bega

>3rd Thurs. 11.00am Hillgrown Page

≻Friday 9.15am Bega

4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'

9.15am Bega **≻**Saturday

RECENTLY DECEASED Mary Roberson, Nola Sutherland, Sr Leonie McGuire RSJ, Val Flanagan

ANNIVERSARIES Pat & Gabrielle Healey.

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how love and compassion for our global community can transform lives. You will be helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

When we Go Further Together in love and compassion, the whole world thrives.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2020 Lenten appeal

You can also donate on 1800 024 413 or www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

Feast Days this Week

13th - St Martin I, Pope & Martyr, died 655. After being elected pope in 649, he held a council at the Lateran which condemned the error that Christ did not have a human will. This and the council's censure of two related imperial edicts led to his imprisonment and exile. Remembered for the many hardships he suffered and as the last pope to suffer martyrdom

The Paschal Vigil is not like the ordinary Saturday evening Mass anticipating Sunday and misnamed the "vigil Mass", and it may begin only after Sunset. Although it is not clearly laid out in the Missal, it is



formed of a two main parts, the Vigil proper, composed of with a service of light and a service of Old Testament readings, and the Mass (omitting the introductory rites and beginning at the Gloria) that may also include the Baptismal Liturgy. The Vigil opens with an embellished form of the ancient *lucenarium*, the service of light celebrating Christ the Light as the lamps and candles needed to see by were lit. It is followed immediately by the service of up to seven readings. The first three readings in particular present a sampling of key stories of salvation history.

The three synoptic gospels contradict each other on certain points, making a literal reading of them impossible. In Mark and Matthew the tomb is empty, but Mark has the women going to anoint the body, for which they must buy the perfumes very early in order to reach the tomb by dawn, while Matthew avoids the difficulty by not mentioning any intention to anoint; next, in Mark the women find the tomb already open and find no one there until they come out of the tomb and find two men in white, while Matthew has the women witness the earthquake, an angel's descent and rolling away of the stone, and the fright of the guards. Matthew's angel tells them Jesus is risen and tells them to tell the disciples that Jesus will go before them to Galilee and see them there, and on their way to tell the disciples they meet Jesus; the eleven disciples (that is minus Judas Iscariot) do not see him until in Galilee. In Mark the women are given a similar message, but in the original ending, omitted from this pericope, they are so frightened that they run away and say nothing to anyone and no one is reported as encountering the risen Lord. Luke along with Mark has the women go to anoint the body, but with already prepared perfumes, and find the tomb already opened and the body gone before they encounter two men in bright clothes, and again the women are not reported as encountering Christ but they do tell the apostles. Then Peter alone runs to the tomb and finds, as in John, that the tomb is not quite empty: the binding cloths remain there. Luke's first reported appearance of the risen Lord is to two disciples on the road to Emmaus, but with John he has Jesus appear in the upper room in Jerusalem that evening, by which time there is a report that he had already appeared to Peter, but the encounter itself is not detailed. Thus each evangelist shares some details with at least one other, but they all contradict each other on some details. What they completely agree on is that the body has gone from the tomb, and the synoptics agree that angels announce that he has risen.