

**Responsorial Psalm** For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.  
**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
 You are the chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.  
 Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.  
 Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
 and all within me, his holy name.

**ROSTERS - 4th/5th July 2020**

Please arrange a swap if you are not available

**Bemboka Sat 6pm**

*Commentator* J Guthrie  
*Readers* M Guthrie  
*Gifts* on hold  
*Cleaners* Bevitt

**Candelo Sat 6pm**

*Commentator* L Thompson  
*Readers* J Coman  
*Gifts* on hold  
*Cleaners - July* Meryl & Jim Whitby

**Tathra Sun 7:45am**

*Commentator* Pat Platts  
*Readers* Paul Gardiner  
*Gifts* on hold  
*Cleaners* Oakley Family  
*Wardens* Michael & Eddie, Peter Preo  
*Audio-Visual* Margaret Taylor  
*Eucharistic Ministers* Judith Reid, Chris Adams

**Bega Sun 9:30am**

*Commentator* J Lott  
*Readers* Maureen Scott, R Burgess  
*Gifts* On hold  
*Counters* Office  
*Music* Matt Heffernan & Cantor  
*Acolyte* TBA  
*Eucharistic Ministers* TBA

**Wise Words:**

What God wants is that we be welcoming, that we forgive & love each other so as to become more & more like Him, who is communion and love.  
 - Pope Francis



**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 2020**

*Baptisms*—During Mass, 1 month notice  
*First Reconciliation*— TBA  
*First Communion*—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



13th Sunday - Year A

28th June 2020

**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 (Acting) 6495 8888

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Dear Parishioners

Congratulations to the Children and their families who together celebrated 1st Reconciliation. I know many of you have been praying for the children (especially those who received bookmarks).

I would like to stress to all that COVID is here to stay (at least for the time being). I had come to expect to receive new easing of restrictions each week. But this has not happened- in fact Victoria is going backwards!

Archdiocesan Protocols are 4sqm per person rule (excluding clergy and liturgical ministers).

The 4sqm per person rule is for:

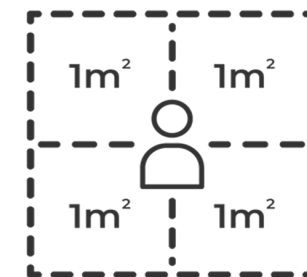
Seating

Standing

During the Communion Procession

During the movement to place money/envelopes at the collection points.

People are to sign the Register upon entering the church



Importantly, the collection plate will no longer be handed around. Instead one collection point will be placed at the offertory table.

The Archdiocese has been aiming to give more options for 'cashless collections' and Covid has sped up this desire. I will be working with the finance committee to help implement cashless options in the coming weeks - Cash donations will continue to be an option.

Peace, Fr. Luke

**9:40am Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July – back of Bega Church- feedback session for the ramp.** Paul Sorenson will be explaining more about the ramp proposal and listening to feedback.

**New Protocols from the 1st July.** †4 square meters per person rule. †1.5m distancing. †No Singing. †Please record your attendance in the register at the entrance. †Communion in the hand only. †Customary/ recommended hygiene practices. †1st & 2nd Collection to be placed in the box at the offertory table.

**SUNDAY MASS STREAMS CONTINUE - SUNDAY 9:30AM -**  
YouTube: 'Bega Parish Stream' or [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC\\_IP75FT2djL7Oowe5WUrhQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_IP75FT2djL7Oowe5WUrhQ)

**Confessions** are returning to the church. Saturdays 9:40am - after Mass.

**Planned Giving.** 2020/21 boxes are now available. Would you like to move to electronic giving? Please see Fr Luke or contact the office for more information. *Did you know* that you can give electronically to the First collection? Please contact Fr Luke or the office for more details.



**St Patrick's Kinder Enrolments for 2020.** Kinder enrolments are now open and filling up fast, please go to our website and fill-in an online application or contact St Pat's office on 6492 5500. We are currently conducting interviews for 2021 students. If you have a child who turns 5 before July 31st 2021 they are eligible for kindergarten enrolment for next year.

**Can you help?** Maureen Watson is seeking a copy of her parents funeral booklets. Eileen Mumford 24th January 1992 and Marcus Mumford 30th May 2002. If you have a copy of either please contact the office so a copy can be sent to Maureen. Thank you!

**Don't Forget** the federal by-election Saturday 4th July. Usual polling places.

**Engaged Encounter.** 1st-2nd August. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our web site:  
[www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au)

### 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.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega  
➤ *Hillgrove House on hold.*
- Friday 9.15am Bega  
4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega



*Requiem Mass for the Repose  
of the soul of  
Kay Grainger  
St Patrick's  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> 11am*

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Kay Grainger, David Peters, Geoffrey O'Connell, Caleb Shaw, Ruth Glover, Noel Adams,

**ANNIVERSARIES** Malcolm & Patricia McCambridge, Mary Van Dieman, Myles O'Reilly

**Feast Days this Week**

**28<sup>th</sup> - St Irenaeus**, Bishop, Martyr, 130-200. Remembered for his fidelity to apostolic tradition and traditionally venerated as a martyr.

**29<sup>th</sup> - Sts Peter & Paul**, Apostles. This preeminent feast day of the city of Rome has been observed on this date since the mid-third century. It commemorates the martyrdoms of Peter the "chief of the apostles" and Paul the "apostle to the Gentiles".

**30<sup>th</sup> - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church.** Blamed by the emperor Nero for the great fire which devastated Rome in 64, many Christians were savagely killed, victims of cruel jealousy.

**3<sup>rd</sup> July - St Thomas**, Apostle. Remembered for his initial disbelief in the resurrection & his subsequent proclamation of faith upon seeing the resurrected Christ. An early tradition venerates him as the Apostle of India.

**4<sup>th</sup> - St Elizabeth of Portugal**, 1271-1336. Remembered as a peacemaker and for assisting the poor and sick.

### Receiving Christ

This gospel is the final portion of Jesus' 'Mission Sermon.' It began when Jesus 'summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness'. In this Sunday's concluding section Jesus informs them that they must also 'take up [their] cross'. This stands to reason: those who would share in Jesus' power and authority must also share his suffering and death. As always, the way of the disciples must be the way of the Master. In a sermon addressed to those undertaking a mission (both in Jesus' day and in Matthew's time), it is appropriate to discuss the kind of reception missionaries might expect and also to encourage Christians to receive travelling missionaries. First, and most importantly, those who receive a Christian disciple/apostle are receiving Christ himself which, in turn, is the same as receiving God (see also Gal 4:14; John 13:20); after all, Jesus is himself an apostle of (i.e., one sent by) God. This is consistent with Jewish belief: 'a man's agent is like [the man] himself' (*Mishna Berakot* 5:5).

### 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



Next come three scenarios of 'receiving' various people. The expression 'to receive' may refer either to welcoming someone hospitably or to accepting the message - or perhaps, both. To receive a prophet who speaks for Christ is to receive Christ himself. If a prophet is to be rewarded for faithful service, then the one who receives the prophet will receive the same reward that is in store for the prophet! So, too, in the cases of receiving a righteous person and a 'little one.' The designation

'little one' is not meant literally, i.e., children. Scholarly opinion, however, is divided on its precise meaning; it may be Matthew's term for the apostles or disciples, for Christians in general, or for the poor members of the community.

In each of the three cases described, receiving a person merits a reward for it is tantamount to receiving Christ. In this sense the disciple, the prophet, the righteous person, the little are all equal: each is Christ.