

Entrance Antiphon O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

Responsorial Psalm The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness of taste.

ROSTERS - 8th/9th August 2020
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

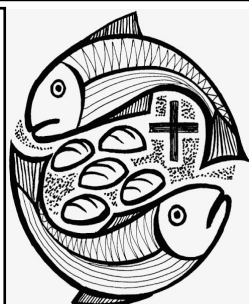
Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator J Guthrie
Readers M Guthrie
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Bevitt

Candelo Sun 9:30am
Commentator J Coman
Readers Ann Haahesey
Gifts on hold
Cleaners - Aug Ann Hyam

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Carleen Maley
Readers Michael Hergenhan
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Gerry & Sue Collins
Wardens Michael & Eddie, R Cummins
Audio-Visual Kate D'Arcy
Eucharistic Ministers Denise Miller, Trish Sly

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator J Lott
Readers F & P Sorensen
Gifts On hold
Counters Office
Music Matt Heffernan & Cantor
Acolyte TBA
Eucharistic Ministers TBA

Wise Words:
the Eucharist ... is
not a prize for the
perfect but a
powerful medicine
& nourishment for
the weak.
- 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

18th Sunday - Year A
2nd August 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*
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Dear Parishioner's

This Sunday we welcome into our Church the RCIA Candidates. Please continue to pray for them as they begin their new life in Christ.

We continue to 'change over' to a preference for cashless collections. If you have not already done so please consider completing the blue and green forms for Direct Debit or the white form for Credit cards. Available at the Church entrance and on the website.

We are currently enrolling for First Eucharist which will take place in this term, to enrol your child please contact the parish office or REC Emma Grant emma.grant@cg.catholic.edu.au

Please observe the following COVID-19 safe practices:

- ✦ Registering people upon entering the Church- Name and contact details.
- ✦ Wiping down of Pew and common areas at the conclusion of every Mass
- ✦ People experiencing symptoms do not attend Mass (fever, cough, fatigue, sore throat, shortness of breath)
- ✦ Observance of 1m² rule (immediate families exempt).

Furthermore, mingling should not occur inside the Church.

Peace, Fr. Luke

Prayer on the Corona Pandemic - By Pope Francis

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



We Welcome into our Parish Family:
Kerry Carter & Rose McNoe
 Baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

SUNDAY MASS STREAMS CONTINUE - SUNDAY 9:30AM -
 YouTube: 'Bega Parish Stream' or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_IP75FT2djL7Oowe5WUrhQ

My Voice seeks to realise the Archdiocesan three year vision for youth: belong, believe and become. The project is designed for students in Years 4 to 7. If you would like to participate in the survey, go to: cgyouth.org.au/myvoice or email youth@cg.org.au for more information.

Women Alive, 8 August. 'Women Alive' (Indian, Pakistani & Sri Lankan Catholic women of the local region) warmly welcome any women of the Archdiocese who would like to join them by zoom for their monthly rosary and reflection on Saturday 8th August. The reflection will commence at 4:30. Contact Winniefred at winniefred09@gmail.com or on 0451 015 527 for the zoom details

Women's Reflection Afternoon - 29 August, livestreamed to all corners of the Archdiocese from 2-4pm on Saturday 29th August. The afternoon will include two inspiring talks and several short guided prayer experiences provided by local prayer groups and movements. Hosted by the Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce. More details next week. Enquiries Email catholic.women@cg.org.au or Lara on 0429 192 869

National Men's Gathering, 15th August - now being offered as an online program for registered participants. Registration: www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

First Eucharist 2020



-  **Parents Virtual Retreat** Wednesday 5th August 6pm.
-  **Enrolment Mass** Sunday 9th August, 9:30am St Patrick's Church.
-  **Family Retreats** Sunday 23rd & 30th August, 4:30pm. St Patrick's
-  **First Eucharist** Thursday 17th September, 6pm St Patrick's Church.
-  **Thanksgiving Mass** Sunday 20th September, 9:30am. St Patrick'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.
- 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

RECENTLY DECEASED Elizabeth Coman, Helen Rocotuku (nee Martin), Mary D'Arcy, Henry Rheinberger, Kay Grainger

ANNIVERSARIES Noa Jessop, John Jennings, Ben Adams, Catherine & Basil Rose, Jessie & Joe Sixsmith, Fr Joseph Rheinberger, Eunice Tarlinton

2nd - **St Eusebius of Vercelli**, Bishop, 310-371

2nd - **St Peter Julian Eymard**, Priest, 1811-1868.

3rd - **St Dominic**, Priest, 1170-1221.

Feast Days this Week
 4th - **St John Vianney**, Priest, 1786-1859. Remembered for his preaching and confessional counsel and is honoured as a model for parish clergy.

5th - **The Dedication of St Mary Major.**

6th - **The Transfiguration of the Lord.**

7th - **St Cajetan**, Priest, 1480-1547. Remembered for his pastoral care, his reforming zeal, and his practical help for the poor and the afflicted.

7th - **St Sixtus II, Pope & Companions**, Martyrs. Died 258. Remembered as one of the most popular Roman martyrs, and mentioned in Eucharistic Prayer I

8th - **St Mary of the Cross**, Virgin, 1842-1909.

Eschatological Banquet

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Eucharistic overtones in this familiar story of the feeding of the 5,000 are clear;



in this story as at the Last Supper, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it. Yet the Eucharistic understanding of this miracle story does not exhaust its meaning.

This episode follows the story of King Herod's birthday banquet for his royal courtiers featuring the dance by Herodias' daughter and the execution of John the Baptist.

Matthew now contrasts the banquet of the king of this world to the banquet provided by Jesus for the hungry crowd; this illustrates once again the ongoing conflict between



kingdoms (Lent 1).

Several details of the miraculous feeding point readers to the 'eschatological banquet' in the kingdom of heaven. First, Matthew greatly enlarges Mark's number of 5,000 by indicating that this 'vast crowd' did 'not count [] women and children'. This anticipates the last day when

'many will come from the east and the west, and will recline with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at the banquet in the kingdom of heaven'.

The vastness of Matthew's crowd suggests the ingathering of the nations and at the same time enhances the miraculous provision of abundant food required for all to eat and be satisfied - with leftovers! The 'twelve' baskets of leftovers is usually taken to symbolise all Israel. Thus, at this banquet, Israel and the nations are represented.

In a contemporary Jewish source, the great banquet at the end time will consist of seafood and manna; thus Jesus provides bread and fish. Similarly, the earth shall 'yield fruits ten thousandfold,' thus the abundant leftovers; and the 'hungry will enjoy themselves and they will, moreover, see marvels everyday,' such as the miraculous healings performed by Jesus. These signs indicate that people 'have arrived at the consummation of time.' Thus, Jesus' feeding the vast crowd demonstrates more than 'pity' and power; Jesus signals that the end of the age has come and the kingdom of heaven is at hand.