Entrance Antiphon Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your

poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause,

and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Responsorial Psalm Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Gospel Acclimation Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord,

I trust in his word.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,

Who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

ROSTERS - 15th/16th August 2020 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

CommentatorE BevittReadersG GreenGiftson holdCleanersBerman

Candelo Sat 6pm

Commentator
Readers
Gifts
Cleaners - Aug
Sharon Heffernan
Sarah Andrews
on hold
Ann Hyam

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Mary Tupper Readers Bob Weston Gifts on hold

CleanersB O'Brien & S GardinerWardensB Miller, Michael & Eddie

Audio-Visual Margaret Taylor
Eucharistic Ministers Trish Sly, Michael Doig

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator M Henare

Readers V Northcott & A woods

Gifts On hold Counters Office

Music Matt Heffernan & Cantor

Acolyte TBA Eucharistic Ministers TBA

Wise Words: Do not be afraid to be holy! Have the courage & humility to present yourselves to the world determined to be holy, since full, true freedom is born from holiness. - St Pope John Paul II



Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

BegaSaturday,9.40 - 10amBembokabefore vigil MassCandelobefore vigil MassTathrabefore 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

19th Sunday - Year A

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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9th August 2020

Dear Parishioner's

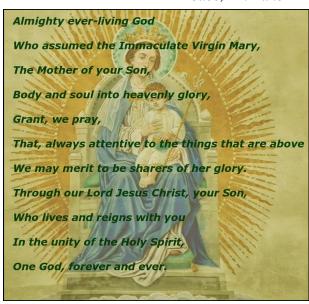
We again congratulate our newest members of our Parish- Rose and Kerry who came into the Church last Sunday.

This weekend we welcome those children preparing for their first Holy Communion. This will be an opportunity to welcome these families and to pray for them.



This weekend, we join with Pope Francis in praying for the people of Lebanon. May their devastated lives soon be restored.

Peace. Fr. Luke



Welcome First Communion Candidates.

SUNDAY MASS STREAMS CONTINUE - SUNDAY 9:30AM -

YouTube: 'Bega Parish Stream' or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_IP75FT2djL7Oowe5WUrhQ

Women's Reflection Afternoon - 29 August, The "Afternoon" will be livestreamed to all corners of the Archdiocese from 2.00pm to 4:30pm. Gather with friends at home or in the parish and connect with women from Lake Cargelligo to Pambula to hear inspiring talks and participate in short guided prayer experiences. Hosted by the Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce. Register at www.bit.ly/WomensReflectionAfternoon. Enquiries email catholic.women@cg.org.au or ring/text Lara on 0429 192 869

Laudato Si dialogue. Commencing August/September an ecumenical group of participants will look together each fortnight at *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis' letter "On Care for Our Common Home". Further information and registration contact: <u>BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au</u> or on 0428-625-110.

Women's Retreat Day. 22nd August. St Thomas the Apostle Kambah. The retreat is based on St Catherine of Siena's words "Be who you are mean to be and you will set the world on fire". This event is both an <u>in-person</u> event and available <u>online</u> commencing at 9am & concluding with dinner. For more information please contact: mglisters@gmail.com



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

➤ <u>Candelo</u> - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th

- Sundays - 9:30am liturgy 2nd, 4th

<u>►Tathra</u> - 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 Paul O'Brien, Noa Jessop, John Jennings, Ben Adams, Catherine & Basil Rose, Jessie & Joe Sixsmith, Fr Joseph Rheinberger, Eunice Tarlinton

9th - St Augustine Zhao Rong (1746-1815), Priest & **Companions**, Martyrs from China between 1648 & 1930.

9th - St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Martyr. Born Edith Stein 1891, Died Auschwitz 1942.

Feast 10th - St Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr. Died 258. Remembered in

Days Eucharistic Prayer I and in five ancient Roman churches dedicated to him. 11th - St Clare, 1193-1253.

Week 12th - St Jane Frances de Chantal, 1572-1641. Remembered for her administrative ability and for her visits to the sick and poor

13th - St Pontian, Pope & St Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs. Died 4th century.

14th - St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr. Born 1894, died Auschwitz 1941.

15th - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Walking on Water

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Just as there were many levels of meaning in last Sunday's miraculous

feeding of the 5,000, so, too, this Sunday's gospel coveys more than Jesus' power over nature.

The climax of the story is Jesus' self-revelation to his frightened disciples: 'It is I'. The English translation obscures the impact of the Greek which reads simply, 'I am,' evoking the divine name revealed to Moses in the burning bush, 'I AM WHO AM'. It evokes, too, the characteristic way the Lord self-identifies in Isaiah 40 - 55. In one



particularly telling passage God announces, 'I am the Lord . . . who opens a way in the sea, a path in the waters'. The reference is to God's making a dry path through the Red Sea and saving the Hebrews from oppression. The work of God who saves at the sea is manifest once again in Jesus who saves Peter on the sea. Moreover, in the OT, God alone has power to walk on water; thus, Jesus is one who does what God

alone does. Both in his self-disclosure and in his walking on water Jesus dramatises one of Matthew's most important theological convictions: in Jesus, 'God is with us'.

There is still more to the story. In the OT, as throughout the ancient Near East, the sea symbolised the unruly and threatening powers of chaos. Both in the Canaanite myth of Baal who battles 'Prince Sea' and in the Babylonian creation story in which Marduk battles Tiamat (the evil sea-goddess), the sea can be quelled and conquered only by a god. In this gospel story the storm at sea evokes the forces of evil arrayed against the community of disciples which - without Jesus in their midst - is tossed about & in peril. But Jesus, walking on water, conquers & quells evil. Neither Peter nor the community of disciples can do as Jesus does; but when Jesus is with them, they are safe. Their place is to pay homage & acknowledge him as 'Son of God'.