**Entrance Antiphon** The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

> You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Happy are those who fear the Lord. Responsorial Psalm

Alleluia, alleluia! **Gospel Acclimation** 

Live in met and let me live in you, says the Lord:

my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** To be near God is my happiness,

to place my hopes in God the Lord.

## ROSTERS - 21st/22nd Nov 2020 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

## Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator S Berman Readers G Green Gifts on hold Cleaners Berman

## Candelo Sun 9:30am

Commentator J Coman Readers P O'Callaghan Gifts on hold

Cleaners - Nov Ann & Peter Hahesy

#### Tathra Sun 7:45am

Trish Sly Commentator Readers Val Besant on hold Gifts

Denise & Rob Cummins Cleaners Wardens G Hergenhan, Peter Preo

Audio-Visual Judith Reid

Eucharistic Ministers M Hergenhan, Carleen Maley

## Bega Sun 9:30am

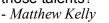
Commentator V Northcott, A Woods Readers V Northcott, A Woods

Gifts On hold Counters Office

Music Matt Heffernan & Cantor

Acolvte TBA

## Wise Words: What are your talents? What are you really good at? How is God calling you to make the world & the Church better through those talents?





## Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

<u>Bega</u> Saturday, 9.40 - 10am Bemboka before vigil Mass Candelo before vigil Mass before Sunday Mass Tathra

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

33rd Sunday - Year A

# **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.

Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500

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## **Blessings Before Judgment**

The parable of the talents is similar to last Sunday's parable of the ten maidens



and to next Sunday's passage about the sheep and the goats. In all three Christ's return brings judgment: the bridegroom admits the wise maidens but shuts out the foolish; the master admits to his joy the two industrious servants but banishes the lazy one; the king separates the sheep who care for the 'least ones' from the goats who do not

These parables address what Christians should do in the time before Christ's return in glory: have the necessary oil (good deeds) to keep lamps burning brightly (cf. 'your light must shine,'); invest talents wisely; care for the needy. The importance of right conduct is highlighted by the rewards and consequences attached to how one actually lives: eternal joy or eternal banishment.



Matching the magnitude of the consequences is the magnitude of the gift given to Christians. In this Sunday's parable the master entrusts his possessions to his servants. The amounts are staggering. One talent is reckoned to be roughly equivalent to fifteen years' wages; the master distributes a total of nine talents to his servants. On the one hand, the sum is strikingly high; on the other hand, to the master this is a 'small matter.' This indicates simultaneously how unimaginable the master's wealth is and the joy in which the faithful will share. The parable of the vineyard (Sunday 27) also showcased the generosity of the master towards servants: the landowner laboured assiduously and spared no expense in

building and planting his choice vineyard; he then entrusts the entire vineyard to the care of his servants. Both parables speak of the master's generosity. This is the starting point in both stories, a generosity without which the rest of the story could not take place. This easily overlooked point reminds Christians that our obligations flow from blessings already received: we start out blessed beyond measure. Indeed, this is how Matthew's Jesus makes his public appearance in the gospel, announcing blessing to people (Matthew 5:1-12a Sunday 4).



## We Welcome into our Parish Family: Francis Naithan Minto

Baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**Now available.** Pre-orders of Gods Word 2020 and Adore Advent booklets can now be collected. Didn't order? Some extra copies are available.

November Masses. Mass Intention Envelopes can be placed with the collection.

Masses for the Holy Souls - During the month of November Aid to the Church in Need is encouraging the faithful to arrange Masses on behalf of loved ones and for the souls that have nobody to pray for them. Find out more: <a href="https://www.aidtochurch.org/november">www.aidtochurch.org/november</a>

**High School Retreat** - 20/21 November. Explosion Youth Presents: SANCTIFY an end of year retreat for young people in grades 10-12. Join us for a weekend of games, music, prayer, dramas, and more! At St Benedict's Church Narrabundah. Cost: \$45. For more information and to register visit us at <a href="mailto:explosionyouth.org">explosionyouth.org</a> and follow us on instagram @explosionyouth\_

**Gifts of Faith -** A Gift of Faith is a Christmas present given in place of a material gift. One can arrange multiple Gifts of Faith for children, grandchildren, godchildren, siblings, cousins, co-workers, friends and parishioners. Find out more: www.thatcatholicshop.com/giftsoffaith

Reaching Beyond 2020. People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year

have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms Australia will provide you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment. See <a href="https://www.palms.org.au">www.palms.org.au</a> and talk to Roger on 0431 995 058, or email <a href="mailto:palms@palms.org.au">palms@palms.org.au</a>

## **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

►<u>Bega</u> - Sundays - 9.30am Mass



Requiem Mass for Ann Farrell
St Patrick's
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 11am
26<sup>th</sup> July 1928 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020

#### Weekdays

➤Tuesday 5.30pm Bega Chapel

➤ Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.

➤Thursday 9.15am Bega Chapel

➤ Hillgrove House on hold. ➤Friday 9.15am Bega Chapel

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

➤Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Ann Farrell, Terry Dickson, Maureen Hayson, Julian Aquelara

ANNIVERSARIES Rina Sheehan, Bob Armstrong, Pat Tregurtha

**15<sup>th</sup> - St Albert the Great**, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, 1200-1280. Remembered for the outstanding breadth of his learning in the natural sciences, Jewish and Arabic studies, and Greek philosophy, all of which he brought to the service of his theology.

**16**<sup>th</sup> - **St Gertrude**, Virgin, 1256-1302. Remembered as one of the most important of medieval mystics.

Feast Days this

**16<sup>th</sup> - St Margaret of Scotland.** 1046-1093. Remembered for the happiness of her marriage, for her devotion to prayer and learning, and especially for her generosity to the poor.

**Week** 17<sup>th</sup> - St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious 1207-1231. Remembered for her good-humoured resilience in adversity and for her humility in menial service of the needy.

18<sup>th</sup> - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul,
21<sup>st</sup> - The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary. It celebrates Mary in her grace-filled life, wholly given over to the Holy Spirit from the time of her conception.

## **Dear Parishioners**

Thank you to all those who have signed up for the choir- I am really delighted!

Practices begin this Wednesday 5:30 Bega Church - Wednesday 18, 25 Nov & 2, 9,

16 Masks will be available to be worn at

practices. I invite others to register your interest on the signup sheet.



Next Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> at the 9:30am Mass there will be an opportunity for people to be enrolled in the brown scapular. In the year 1251, Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite. She handed him a brown woolen scapular and said, "This shall be a privilege for you and all Carmelites, that anyone dying in this habit shall not suffer eternal fire." In time, the Church extended this magnificent privilege to all the laity who are willing to be invested in the Brown Scapular.

True devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary consists in three things: Veneration, Confidence, and Love. By simply wearing the Scapular, we can tell her every

moment of the day that we venerate her, love her and trust in her protection. Scapulars will be provided. Please see the website <a href="https://www.sistersofcarmel.com">www.sistersofcarmel.com</a> for more info.

Peace Fr. Luke

