

**Entrance Antiphon** Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;  
and look on the face of your anointed one;  
one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere

**Responsorial Psalm** Lord, come to my aid!

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;  
I know them, and they know me.  
Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** With the Lord there is mercy;  
in him is plentiful redemption.

**ROSTERS - 20th/21st August 2022**  
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

<b>Bemboka Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	E Bevitt
<i>Readers</i>	S Berman
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	
<b>Candelo Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	L Thompson
<i>Readers</i>	M Whitby
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners - Aug</i>	Ann Hyam & D & K Dodds
<b>Tathra Sun 7:45am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	Kate D'Arcy
<i>Readers</i>	Peter D'Arcy
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	Megan Hergenhan
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Trish Sly
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Pat Platts, Eileen Reckord
<b>Bega Sun 9:30am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	V Northcott, A Woods
<i>Readers</i>	V Northcott, A Woods
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Music</i>	Matt Heffernan
<i>Acolyte</i>	David Grainger
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	K Rix, D Koenigkamp F Farrell, B Burton

**Wise Words:**  
Let us invoke the  
Holy Spirit each  
day: He guides us  
along the path of  
discipleship in  
Christ.  
- Pope Francis



<b>Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation</b>	
<u>Bega</u>	Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
<u>Bemboka</u>	before vigil Mass
<u>Candelo</u>	before vigil Mass
<u>Tathra</u>	before Sunday Mass
<b>St. Pat's Choir</b> practices Thurs 5.15—6pm Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 or Matt 0429 338 348.	
<b>Meditation &amp; Contemplative Prayer</b> Meeting is held on Monday at 7.30pm in the annex of Star of the Sea Church at Tathra.	
<b>Sunday Readings Reflection Group</b> Tuesday at 7pm Star of the Sea Tathra. All Welcome.	
<b>ROSARY</b>	
<i>Tathra</i> - 7:20am before Sunday Mass	
<i>Bega</i> - 9am before Sunday Mass	
<b>all are welcome.</b>	
<b>MENS' GROUP:</b> 2nd & 4th Thursdays St Patrick's Church. Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997	
<b><u>St Patrick's Sacramental programme 2022</u></b>	
<i>Baptisms</i> —During Mass, 1 month notice	
<i>Reconciliation</i> —22nd June	
<i>First Communion</i> - 18th September	
<i>Weddings</i> —by appoint, 6 months notice req.	
<b>For Sale:</b> Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or place your order in a marked envelope in the 2nd collection. <b>Bulletin &amp; Forms</b> can be found on the website	

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20th Ordinary - Year C  
**St. Patrick's Parish**  
*St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo  
Star of the Sea, Tathra.*

Fr. Adrian Chan. Parish Priest.  
Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.  
Hrs 9-2 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 6495 8888

14th August 2022  
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**Connecting Discipleship to Decision** *20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

The difficulty in making a connection between the first reading and the gospel is obviated in the ecumenical Common Lectionary which offers a different passage from Jeremiah, 23:23-29. This passage describes the effectiveness of the authentic prophetic word: 'Is not my word like fire, says the Lord?'. 'Fire' is the image Jesus uses in the gospel to describe his mission. In, the bible, fire is sometimes an image for purification (e.g. Numbers 31:23; Ezekiel 22:19-22), but more often for judgment (Judith 16:17; Isaiah 66:16; Amos 7:4; 2 Pet 3:7). Intrinsic to the act of judgment is separating, that is, deciding for some and against others: the wicked are condemned and the righteous are saved. Or, in the words of Jesus, his ministry will cause division as some decide for him and some against him. But his very person and



presence demand such a decision. The close connection between judgment and division is spelled out in highly personal terms: households will be divided and familial relations will be disrupted.


The peace of the status quo, or the peace that comes from avoiding a decision, is replaced by division. The judgment that Jesus brings is, ironically, one that people impose on themselves by deciding for or against Jesus.


From fire, Jesus moves to the image of the 'baptism with which I must be baptised', a reference to his passion (e.g., Mark 10:38). The images of fire and baptism refer to his mission, both in terms of the cost that it will exact from him and the decision it will require of people.

Finally, these words spoken by Jesus on the way to Jerusalem where he will suffer and die recall the words of John the Baptist who had earlier spoken of the coming of one mightier than he who would 'baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire'. (Luke 3:16). As Jesus walks the road to Jerusalem, disciples must decide to go with him or not. To be with or against Jesus is a decision that has the effect of judgment and division.



**Planned Giving Tax Receipts** are now available. Project Compassion receipts have been included. A full statement is available upon request to the office.

 **Reserved Parking Monday to Friday.** Four parking spaces have been reserved in the Bega Church carpark for the use of the cottage tenants & visitors to the presbytery. All parking is available during funerals & on weekends.

 **Father's Day Appeal** Sunday 4th September. This appeal supports the retired priests in our parish. Envelopes will be available in the churches. Tax receipts are issued when requested. Thank you for your generosity.

**Sing Spring In!** 21st August 2pm Tathra Uniting Church. Featuring Alisi Arbon - piano; Tathra Singers & Tathra Uniting Church Musicians. Gold Coin donation. Afternoon tea will be served.


**Suicide Prevention Workshop.** 27th Sept 9am-4pm, Merimbula RSL. LifeForce Suicide Prevention Workshops are designed to teach people how to identify the signs that someone may be at risk of suicide and appropriate action to take. Effective interventions can make a real difference and save lives. Morning tea & Lunch will be provided. Must be 18yo. Spots are limited. Register:

[Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Full Day Workshop, Merimbula NSW Tickets, Tue 27/09/2022 at 9:00 am | Eventbrite](#)



**Caring for Creation Conference.** 17th September John Paul II Collage Nichols. Hosted by Social Justice Group of Holy Spirit Parish. Keynote speaker is Jacqui Remond, a member of the Vatican Ecology Taskforce. Tickets available at [www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/care-for-creation](http://www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/care-for-creation)

**The Archdiocese Catholic Women's Taskforce annual fundraising dinner** October 28<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm, Woden Southern Cross Club. Guest speaker is Dr Ursula Stephens. Funds raised go to MacKillop House, a place of safety for women and children in need. Earlybird tickets \$65. Book via <https://womenstaskforceacg.org> or call 0487388873.

 **Vinnies Defibrillator Appeal.** The Bega store has been challenged to raise \$2000 to purchase a defib for the Bega store. All donations will go to the purchase & staff training of a defib. Your assistance in raising funds would be most appreciated and will benefit the customers, volunteers and staff. For more information: Store manager Mary Nugent 6234 7485. *Thank You*

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#### **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 4.00pm Bega Church
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
- Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 11am
- Friday 9.15am Bega Church  
4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Nick Collins, Ron Morley

**ANNIVERSARIES** Tyler Finucane, Lizzie Coman, David Dennis Sheehan, Ann Farrell, John Daley,


**PRAYERS** Anne Smith & her children Henry & Malory (Sue Gardiner's Daughter).  
Jenny Ryan and June O'Farrell - Ill health.  
Stephen Goward - Cancer


**Feasts Days**


- 14<sup>th</sup> - **St Maximilian Mary Kolbe**, Priest & Martyr, 1894-1941. Remembered for his energy and poverty, his compassionate ministry, and his self-sacrifice.
- 15<sup>th</sup> - **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** This feast originated in Jerusalem before the fifth century as the "Falling-Asleep of the Mother of God."
- 16<sup>th</sup> - **St Stephen of Hungary** 975-1038. Remembered for making Christianity the religion of the nation and for his justice to the oppressed and charity for the poor.
- 19<sup>th</sup> - **St John Eudes**, Priest 1601-1680. Remembered also for his promotion of devotion to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.
- 20<sup>th</sup> - **St Bernard**, Abbot & Doctor of the Church, 1090-1153. Remembered as the most influential church-man of his age, for his inspirational leadership, and for his devotion to the humanity of Christ and to the Blessed Virgin.

**First Collection for the Clergy.** Did you know that it costs \$32 000 per year for each parish priest? The Bega Parish has had a long tradition of giving enough from the first collection to cover this cost & more. Since the first COVID lockdown the first collection has dropped & in 2021 only \$23 500 was received. So far this year we have collected \$17 000. Thank you to those who have increased their contribution. We have *almost* closed the gap. There are many ways to contribute - mass plate, TapNGo, credit card or direct debit. Please contact the office if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration. *Fr Adrian.*

#### **2022 Sacramental Programme**

 Family Mass & Formation:  
Sunday 11th September,  
**9:30am** St Patrick's Church

 Retreat Day:  
Friday 16th September - TBC,  
Meet at St Pat's School 9am

 First Communion Mass :  
Sunday 18th September,  
**9:30am** St Patricks Church

Enrolment Link:  
<https://forms.gle/gYR63DPrdTytBm3LA>  
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#### **You're Invited**

- ✦ Tathra - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass. All Welcome
- ✦ Bega - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega.

