

Entrance Antiphon Like newborn infants, you must long for pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.


Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Divine Mercy Sunday - Year B 11th April 2021

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.
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Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
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ROSTERS - 17th/18th April 2021
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator S Berman
Readers R Allen
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Gerrey

Candelo Sat 6pm
Commentator J Coman
Readers P O'Callaghan
Gifts on hold
Cleaners - April Sharon & Michael Heffernan

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Betty O'Brien
Readers Vicki Kennaugh
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Christine Ford
Audio-Visual Pat McRae
Eucharistic Ministers Les Carey, Jacinta Battista

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator F & P Sorensen
Readers F & P Sorensen
Gifts On hold
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte David Grainger
Eucharistic Ministers M Twyford, U de Morsier
B Larkin, A Tarlinton
Nursing Home

Wise Words:
Mercy: the bridge that connects God & man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness.
- 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 2021

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Confirmation—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

MERCY

The 'Disciples' and 'The Twelve' SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY





On Easter Sunday evening, Jesus appears to 'the disciples' who are huddled behind closed doors. The exact location is not indicated ('where the disciples were'); the traditional location, 'the upper room,' comes from Acts 1:13. After greeting the disciples, Jesus breathes on them, imparting to them both the Holy Spirit and a commission - to forgive sins. In John's gospel this sending of the Spirit (the event normally identified as Pentecost) takes place on Easter Sunday night; indeed, this gospel is traditionally read on Pentecost Sunday, though the revised Lectionary now provides other options for years B and C. The text informs us that Thomas, 'one of the Twelve,' was not present, which sets up the remainder of the story explaining how 'doubting Thomas' becomes a believer. In doing this, the text seems to distinguish between 'the disciples' and 'the Twelve.' This, in turn, raises the question, 'Who was gathered behind those closed doors when Jesus appeared?'





Though John doesn't answer this question directly, the use of two different terms - 'disciples' and 'the Twelve' - implies that there are more than 'the Twelve' (actually, the 'Eleven' now that Judas has left the group). This is confirmed in Acts 1:13-15 where Luke lists the names of the Eleven and adds that these were joined by 'some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.' At one point 'there was a group of about one hundred and twenty persons in the one place.' The number '120' (12 x 10) may well be symbolic, recalling how the twelve tribes of Israel were divided into units of ten governed by 'wise and experienced' leaders. The point is that the Holy Spirit is given to all those gathered, not just the Twelve. The mission of all disciples, empowered by the Spirit, is to extend to others the forgiveness Jesus made available through his death-and-resurrection. When the Spirit is thus present, the kind of community described in the first reading becomes possible and the presence of the Risen Christ is made visible.

STAY COVID-19 SAFE

 Sign in: - QR code or sheet

 Keep social distance

 Sanitise hands

 Do **not** return bulletin -take home

Parish Office School Holiday Hours: Tuesday 6th 8:30-12:30; Thursday 8th 9-3; Closed Tuesday 13th; Thursday 15th 9-3.

Thank You. This Easter our Parish has collected so far \$885 for the Holy Land appeal; and \$2 250 for Project Compassion. Donations are still being accepted.

ANZAC Day - Sunday 25th April. Ecumenical Service St Patrick's Bega 8:50am followed by Sunday Mass. A Sunday in Easter takes precedence over the ANZAC day commemoration. Remembering the fallen can take place during the Mass.


1979 Year 10 & 1981 St Clare's Year 12 Class Reunion. A celebration of friendships since graduation is being planned for late 2021. If you are one of the 1979/1981 classes please contact us via classof1981reunion21@gmail.com or if you know someone from the classes please pass this message on.


National Count of Attendance - May. The National Count of Attendance will be conducted throughout Australia over the first four weekends in May starting on 1 May 2021. The National Count is conducted in the same year as the Australian Census (10 August 2021).


It is intended that the count will be conducted in all parishes and other Mass centres. The count will be as comprehensive as possible and include attendees of all ages (including babies). It will be a simple headcount with no other information about attendees being collected.


This year, parishes are also asked to provide estimates of the age and sex of the attendees. And in light of COVID-19 parishes can also provide the number of 'views' of streamed services.


SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2021


 Parent information night:
Wednesday 21st April, 6pm
St Patrick's Church

 Enrolment Mass:
Across all Parish Masses over the weekends of 1st-2nd May & 8th-9th May


 Family Mass & Formation:
Sunday 22nd May & 6th June, 4:30-6pm St Patrick's Church

 Retreat Day:
Tuesday 15th June, Pambula Surf Club, bus from Bega

 Confirmation Mass:
Tuesday 17th June, 6pm St Patrick's Church

 Thanksgiving Mass
Sunday 19th June, 9:30am St Patrick's Church

Enrolment Link:
<https://forms.gle/KYgUzB7p7NhRpP4y5>



<u>Sunday Mass Times</u>	
➤ <u>Bemboka</u>	- 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

<u>Weekdays</u>	
➤ Tuesday	5.30pm 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 Fr Kevin Barry-Cotter, Bernie Kocur
ANNIVERSARIES Tom Rix, Pat & Gabrielle Healey

Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2021. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week.



Through your generosity you will be empowering the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

You can also donate on 1800 024 413 or www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

Feast Days this Week
11th - St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, ca. 1030-1079. Remembered for his reforms, his preaching, and his pastoral concern.
13th - St Martin I, Pope & Martyr, died ca. 655. A deacon in Rome, he was sent as legate to Constantinople. After being elected pope in 649, he held a council at the Lateran which condemned the error that Christ did not have a human will. This and the council's censure of two related imperial edicts led to his imprisonment and exile. Remembered for the many hardships he suffered and as the last pope to suffer martyrdom.

2021 Good Shepherd Appeal - 17th & 18th April.

The Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Dear friends

Firstly, I would like to thank you. Our seminarians are now ordained priests. Through your generosity, we have been able to provide for their seminary formation, academic training, and pastoral work expenses.

At present, we have two seminarians studying for the priesthood in our Archdiocese. They have heard Jesus say to them, 'Come and see' (John 1:39). There are other young men too, who gather once a month, considering the priestly calling.

The 2021 Good Shepherd Appeal is an opportunity for spiritual and financial generosity.

Please join us in generous giving. You can make a non-deductible gift:

By envelopes available in the entrance

By giving at: www.cgatholic.org.au/goodshep

By calling: (02) 6239 9801

Your gift ensures our seminarians continue to receive the best possible formation and education.

I am convinced that the Holy Spirit is calling some young men to become priests. I ask everyone to pray for an increase of vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood for service:

O God, pour out in your Church a spirit of reverence and courage, to raise up worthy ministers for your people and make them ardent, yet gentle heralds of your Gospel.

May Jesus, our High Priest, raise up a whole generation of new priests in our Archdiocese!

Yours sincerely in Christ **Archbishop Christopher Prowse**