Entrance Antiphon Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long,

> O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord. **Responsorial Psalm**

Gospel Acclimation Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

Patricia O'Callaghan

Communion Antiphon How great is the goodness, Lord,

that you keep for those who fear you.

ROSTERS - 4th/5th September 2021 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

G Green Commentator Readers E Bevitt Gifts on hold Cleaners Gerrev

Candelo Sat 6pm

L Thompson Commentator Readers P O'Callaghan Gifts on hold

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Cleaners - Sept

Commentator Gerry Collins Readers Paul Gardiner Gifts on hold Cleaners Mary Plevey Audio-Visual Pat Platts

Eucharistic Ministers Eileen Reckord, M Hergenham

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator V Northcott, A Woods Readers V Northcott, A Woods Gifts On hold Music

Acolyte Sean MacCambridge Eucharistic Ministers J Taylor, U de Morsier

E Collins, E Caragher Nursing Home On Hold

Wise Words:

The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to

exist... - Pope Gregory I



Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

Bega 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 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



22nd Ordinary - Year B

29th August 2021



St. Patrick's Parish St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo

Fr. Luke Verrell. Parish Priest. Mrs. Tanva 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 6495 8888

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Opposition; Purity & Table-Fellowship

Everywhere he turns, Jesus seems to encounter opposition. Last week's gospel from John ended with some of Jesus' own



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disciples abandoning him, & this Sunday's gospel from Mark begins with 'the Pharisees with some scribes' criticising him. We have already been notified in Mark 3:6 that the Pharisees have begun conspiring to put him to death. This Sunday's passage adds that these opponents have come from Jerusalem, signalling, on the one hand, the 'official' objection against Jesus and foreshadowing, on the other hand, the final confrontation that will lead to his death in the capital city. The

Pharisees & scribes had earlier confronted Jesus over his 'eating with sinners & tax collectors'. Their concern in this gospel is also about eating meals - this time with 'unclean hands.' The underlying concern in both cases is 'table fellowship.'

Mark's brief parenthetical comments in verses 3-4 explaining Jewish purification traditions indicate that he is writing for people who need such explanations, namely, Gentiles. The purity laws, including dietary regulations about clean and unclean foods, posed a major problem as Christianity began to include Gentiles. The issue was this: Did Gentiles who wanted to be Christian have to obey Jewish laws? This incident in Mark responds to these concerns in two ways. First, Jesus is the authoritative interpreter of the Law: by his word, he redefines 'purity' as a moral category (what people do), rather than a ritual category determined by such external rites as washing hands. Jesus properly redirects attention to God's laws rather than human traditions. Second, Mark shows that Jesus does not exclude from tablefellowship those who do not keep the purity laws. Jesus' mission to establish the Kingdom of God was not a parochial concern limited to his fellow Israelites but was the offer of salvation for all peoples, even those traditionally excluded by Jewish law and custom. Thus, when Jesus invites 'sinners and tax collectors' and even the 'unclean' to join him at table here on earth, he is anticipating their inclusion in the banquet of the Messiah in the age to come.

STAY COVID-19 SAFE

Churches now closed for Public Worship

Parish Office closed to visitors - please phone or email - Fr Luke still available. Stay Home, stay safe

Current COVID-19 Restrictions.

The lockdown has been extended till the 11th September.

- †The Churches remained closed for public worship.
- ♦Funerals limited to 10 persons;
- ♦ Weddings limited to 5 person;
- †Holy communion to the sick allowed;
- ♦ Anointing of the sick allowed;

♦Face mask are mandatory

Parish Office Closed to Visitors: Please phone or email.

Stay up-to-date: Visit our Website http://cg.org.au/bega/Home.aspx or Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksbega/ Bulletin will also be available at the church doors. If you are not receiving the Thursday bulletin email or Parish texts sign up here: https://forms.gle/Prsi2sn64E7JBRzu9

Dear Parishioners,

Update on Fr Luke's Dad.

Thank you for all your support and prayers for my Dad John. There has been some very good news. What was suspected to be brain cancer has been given the all clear- and he no longer will need to undergo radiation therapy (also he is able to resume driving as there is no risk of seizures). He still has cancer elsewhere throughout his body and this is being treated with immunotherapy- undertaken at Moryua hospital. He has received the best of care and I am very grateful for our wonderful healthcare in Australia.

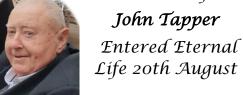
When Dad was first diagnosed, he had blood clots causing him severe pain. Those have cleared and he is no longer on any pain killers. This is great news as they have many side effects. Dad gets tired very easily and is trying to steady his blood pressure which swings from high to low. His kidney has also not deteriorated meaning dialysis is inevitable but not immediate.

Mum (Pauline) and Dad are installing wooden flooring in their house. Mum has moved a tonne of wood upstairs from the garage and Dad will lay it- he can only manage three planks a day. They are adjusting to this new way of working together, with Mum doing the manual tasks.

Mum and Dad are in good spirits and they are adamant that the prayers people have been saying has worked miracles of them.

Thank you very much for all the prayers and support. Fr. Luke

Please Pray for the repose of the soul of John Tapper



Sunday Mass Times

> <u>Bemboka</u> - Saturdays - Ge

Caply Waturdays 100 Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th Qam liturgy 2nd, 4th

≻Tathra .45am Mass

- Sundays - 9.30am Mass

Weekdays

▶Tuesday

5.30pm Begal Quick

> Wednesday 9 (1) He fathra. Hillgrond out of the Ship of the Ship

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

9.15am Bega Church **>**Saturday

RECENTLY DECEASED Elvie, Gossan, John Tapper, Sr Marie Jeanne Graham rsj, Tracy (Hay) Cannon, Jean Sheedy, Yvonne Sixsmith, Juanita (Collins) Bamford

ANNIVERSARIES Bernard J Collins, Patsy Hart, Noa Jessop, Tyler Finucane, Barney Heffernan, Anne Farrell, John Daly, Barney & Nora Sheehan

29th August - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist.

3rd Sept - St Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church, 540-604. Elected Pope 590. Reorganised Church life & administration in a time of crisis, sponsored liturgical reform, & initiated the evangelisation of the English.

Remembered also for his extensive writings on pastoral care, spirituality, and morals, and for his self-designation as "servant of the servants of God."

Vinnies News: \$\psi\$ Fashion show postponed to 23rd October.

†Annual Ozanam Sunday appeal for our Twinned Conference/s in 27th Sept. 2021 Twinning is the program by which our members support our fellow Vincentians in developing.

Fathers' Day Appeal - Collection for retired priests. 5th September. There are 28 retired priests in the Archdiocese and this Appeal helps meet their needs of provide security in their retirement years. Please join us in generous giving. You can make a gift today: \$\phi \text{By envelopes}, \$\phi \text{By giving at: www.cgcatholic.org.au/}\$ donate \$\Phi\$By calling: (02) 6239 9801. Thank you for taking care of our priests.

Mass Resources: Sunday Chanel 80 6am 'Mass for you at home" Monday to Saturday 12:15pm; Sunday 11am St Christopher Live Stream https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/

Zoom Rosary: Join Archbishop Christopher every Wednesday & Friday at 4pm to pray the Rosary. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85022458332? pwd=MDZ4ODFhNiIvdnpFd21aVDOzWnAvdz09

Preparing for Spiritual Communion.

1 - Prepare your heart for and encounter with Jesus

Create a space where you will be able to pray quietly. Focus on an image of Jesus and light a candle before Him. Make the Sign of the Cross.

- 2 Read or listen the Mass Readings
- 3 Recite the Prayer
- 4 Silence

Remain in silence for some moments, with Jesus in your heart. Allow him to love you and to nourish your soul.

Spiritual Communion Prayer.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I Embrace You as if You were already here, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.