

Entrance Antiphon All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you & not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name & deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Responsorial Psalm The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by whom You have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

ROSTERS - 2nd/3rd October 2021
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

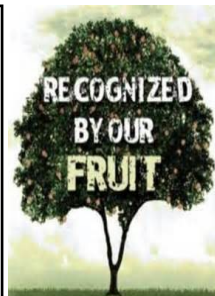
Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator G Berman
Readers R & H Allen
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Berman

Candelo Sat 6pm
Commentator L Thompson
Readers Merryl Whitby
Gifts on hold
Cleaners - Oct Julie Banks, Rosie Coman

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Trish Sly
Readers Peter D'Arcy
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Margaret T & Lee R
Audio-Visual Margaret Taylor
Eucharistic Ministers Pat Platts, Chris Adams

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator Ayesha Twyford
Readers Melinda & Ayesha Twyford
Gifts On hold
Music
Acolyte Sean MacCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers E Collins, K Rix
D Koenigkamp, J Taylor
Nursing Home On Hold

Wise Words: Nothing seems tiresome or painful when you are working for a Master who pays well; who rewards even a cup of cold water given for love of Him.
- St Dominic Savio



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

Works



26th Ordinary - Year B

26th September 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.
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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Hyperbole

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



'I waited in line forever.' 'She asked me a million questions.' 'It scared the life out of me!' We immediately recognise such statements as hyperbole or exaggerations told for dramatic effect. They are so far beyond the realm of the actual that they draw attention to the point the author/speaker is making.

The Bible is full of such hyperbolic or exaggerated sayings, e.g., God promises Abraham 'descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore' (Gen 22:17). Isaiah also uses this technique to great effect. Rather than simply asserting that God's life-giving power will make the desert fertile and productive, he says, 'streams will burst forth in the desert' (35:6) and 'the desert will bloom with abundant flowers' (35:1-2). Or again, it's not enough that God will make the lame simply walk or the dumb simply speak, but 'the lame will leap like a stag . . . the dumb will sing' (35:6). These transformations are so over the top that they make us look twice at the underlying claim: God's power is not only miraculous, it far exceeds expectation or even imagination. Indeed, nothing is impossible for a God who makes the lame dance!

Jesus also uses this technique in his preaching. One can think of the impossibility of a camel passing through the eye of a needle (Mark 10:25) or of faith so assured as to command a mountain to be lifted up and thrown into the sea (Mark 11:22-23). We immediately recognise these, not as literal statements, but as ways of emphasising the point.



Jesus is using this kind of exaggeration in this gospel. The image of cutting off body parts makes two points. On the one hand, it shows the surpassing value of life in the Age-to-Come: it is worth suffering any loss now in order to 'enter into life.' On the other hand, it stresses how terrible sin is: as tragic as losing a hand, foot, or eye may be, sin is worse. Jesus' exaggerations are purposeful, drawing attention to real threats (sin) and ultimate goals (life).

STAY COVID-19 SAFE

- ✋ **Wear Mask**
- ✋ **No Singing**
- ✋ **Communion in the hand only**
- ✋ **Sanitise hands**
- ✋ **Do not return bulletin -take home**
- ✋ **Sign in: - QR code or sheet**
- ✋ **Keep social distance - 4m²**

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☩ Contact the office via phone or email bega@cg.org.au



Annual Ozanam Sunday appeal for Vinnies Twinned Conference/s in 27th Sept. 2021 Twinning is the program by which our members support our fellow Vincentians in developing countries. Envelopes will be available in the churches or donations made by direct deposit to:

BSB 062-786 ACC: 14760 Ref: Bega

Parish Office Closed This Week. Normal hours resume 5th October.

Fathers' Day Appeal - Collection for retired priests. You can make a gift today: ☩ By envelopes available at masses, ☩ By calling: (02) 6239 9801. ☩ By giving at: www.cgcatholic.org.au/donate Thank you for taking care of our priests.

Season of Creation. Celebrated by Christian churches around the world. It runs from **1 September through to 4 October** - the feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology. Pope Francis has invited all Catholics to take part: "to renew their faith in the God of creation and join in prayer and work for the care of our common home." Further information can be found at: <https://www.care4ourcommonhome.org/home> & <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

Virtual Catholic Women's Summit - 8-9 October. The Catholic Women's Summit, hosted by The Genius Project, with an amazing lineup of guest speakers will be available over two days. Register at <https://cf.geniusproject.co/2021-virtual-registration>. For more information contact Karen 0499877844

The First Assembly of the Plenary Council begins next weekend. During the first General Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, key moments will be live-streamed between October 3 and 10, including: ☩ Daily Masses, ☩ Morning prayer for Plenary Council members, and ☩ Sharing the fruits of discernment. The Opening Mass will be live-streamed from 2.00 pm AEST 3 October. Visit <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1/> for a calendar of live streams during the Assembly.

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 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 Maria Wilson, Paul Bennett, Chris Deakin, Elvie Gossan

ANNIVERSARIES Johnnie Roberts, Therese Eadie, Harold Tarlinton, Gerald Rheinberger, Deslie Howard, Danny MacCambridge, Andrew Mitchell

Feasts Days this Week

- 26th Sept - Sts Cosmas & Damian**, Martyrs. Later legend identified them as twin brothers who practiced medicine without charge to their patients.
- 27th - St Vincent de Paul**, Priest, 1581-1660. Remembered especially for his practical concern for the poor and the sick.
- 28th - Sts Lawrence Ruiz & Companions**, Martyrs. This commemoration marks the witness of sixteen among the many martyred in Nagasaki between 1633 and 1637. Remembered as courageous missionaries who sowed abundant seeds of the Christian faith in the Philippines, Taiwan and Japan and who remained fearless in the face of death.
- 28th - St Wenceslaus**, Martyr, 907-929. Remembered as the earliest Slav saint for his selflessness in promoting the Christian faith.
- 29th - Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael**, Archangels. Each of the 3 angels is named as a messenger of God, entrusted with special divine missions on earth.
- 30th - St Jerome**, Priest & Doctor of the Church, 340-420. Often irascible and intolerant, he is remembered for his asceticism and scholarship and, above all, for his incomparable service to the word of God.
- 1st Oct - St Therese of the Child Jesus**, Virgin & Doctor of the Church, 1873-1987. Remembered for her humble obedience and her fidelity to ordinary duties as the path to sanctity.
- 2nd - The Holy Guardian Angels** The feast associates the human race with the eternal song of praise in heaven (Matthew 18:10).

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: One Million Children Praying the Rosary: ACN invites you to join the prayer campaign 'One Million Children Praying the Rosary' for unity and peace in the world on the 18th of October. Be part of this prayer campaign and join many others! Register and learn more at www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children

Manager, Clergy Retirement Foundation (CRF). Applications are invited for the position of Manager CRF. Applications should be forwarded to Archdiocesan Financial Administrator, GPO Box 3089 Canberra ACT 2601 helen.delahunty@cg.org.au by 20 September 2021.

