


Entrance Antiphon Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven & the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Responsorial Psalm If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever:
It is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!


Communion Antiphon The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

ROSTERS - 11th/12th October 2025
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm	
<i>Commentator</i>	J Macinante
<i>Readers</i>	E Bevitt
<i>Cleaners</i>	Bevitt
Candelo Sun 9:30am	
<i>Commentator</i>	Ann Haesy
<i>Readers</i>	K Dodds
<i>Cleaners - Oct</i>	Julie Banks
Tathra Sun 7:45am	
<i>Commentator</i>	Pat Platts
<i>Readers</i>	David Grainger
<i>Cleaners</i>	Marj Bower
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Kate D'Arcy
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Mark Oakley, Trish Sly
Bega Sun 9:30am	
<i>Commentator</i>	M Ferris
<i>Readers</i>	T Tomlinson
<i>Gifts</i>	Volunteer
<i>Music</i>	Matt Heffernan
<i>Acolyte</i>	David Grainger
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Kathy Rix
	
For Sale: Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or place your order in a marked envelope in the 2nd collection.	

St Patrick's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights and dignity of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families & carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all our thinking and actions. Parishioners are encourage to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)

St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15—6pm Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 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 - all are welcome. <i>Tathra</i> - 7:20am before Sunday Mass <i>Bega</i> - 9am before Sunday Mass
MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays St Patrick's Church. Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997
St Patrick's Sacramental Programme <i>Baptisms</i> —During Mass, 1 month notice <i>Confirmation 2025</i> — 8th June 2025 <i>Weddings</i> —by appoint, 6 months notice req. Please contact the Parish Office.
Syro-Malabar Mass 4th Wed of the Month 5pm Bega. Contact Lijoy 0469 341 965 സീറോ-മലബാർ കുർബാന മാസത്തിലെ 4 ബുധനാഴ്ച വൈകുന്നേരം 5 മണിക്ക് ബേഗ. ബന്ധപ്പെടുക: ലിജോയ് 0469 341 965



27th Sunday - Year C

5th October 2025

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
Safeguarding, Mrs. Emma Grant,
St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
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We acknowledge the Djirringanj People, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon & cared for this land for thousands of years. We pay our respect to Elders past, present & emerging. We acknowledge & respect their continuing culture & the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

Ready to Serve?

Given some of the difficult teaching of Jesus that the disciples have been listening to, it is not surprising that they should now turn to Jesus and ask him to increase their faith. Once again, however, they find themselves on the receiving end of another comment that is hard to grasp. Instead of telling them how to increase their faith Jesus simply says that if their faith was the size of a tiny mustard seed then they could do amazing things. In the parable that follows we might have an explanation as to why he gave them such an answer.





The parable indicates that a servant's place is to serve and it is foolish to think of their role in any other way. Here Jesus is not be seen promoting systems that oppress; rather he is using an example from daily life to say to the disciples be careful that your attitude to God is not one of asking 'what's in it for me?' Again and again the gospel of Luke makes it very clear that the way of the disciple is hard but that is only because dying to yourself is hard. The paradox is that this is the only way to be really alive and at peace with the world.

We know that Paul was familiar with the writings of the Prophet Habakkuk since he quoted him in the letter to the Romans. 'The righteous person will live by faith.' Paul knew that his faith in Jesus had brought him to a new and dynamic relationship with God. This was 'righteousness' in his eyes, and his life had become a witness to it. He worked long and hard and suffered much so that people of all religions and no religion could come to understand what God had done for them in Jesus. Now he is urging Timothy to a similar faithfulness, one that is based not on his own strength but on his awareness of the gift of the Spirit within. Habakkuk had wondered where the absent God was. Paul had come to know through faith in the crucified Christ that God was never absent but endured our suffering with us.

Sean Goan.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time





World Day of Migrants & Refugees

Migrants, Missionaries of Hope



We Welcome into our Parish Family:

Elín Gaymer

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

Vinnies News: The Bega Conference thank the parishioners of the Bega Valley for their generosity at last weeks Ozanam appeal. To date \$1095 has been donated.

Australia Needs Fatima: Australia-wide Rosary day. Saturday 11th October,
 ✦ 10.am at grotto St. Patricks Bega. Bring a fold up chair.
 ✦ 11am Quota Park, Riverside Dr Narooma

Save the Date! *An Afternoon of Taizé* Sunday 16th November 2pm Star of the Sea Tathra. An Ecumenical contemplative prayer service.

School Holiday Office Hours: Closed 7th & 9th October. Thank You.

Columban Calendars 2026 now available at the church entrance. Still \$9. To purchase please use the envelope provided and place into the 2nd collection.

October mass counts. A head count is taken at all Sunday masses in October

MISSIONARIES OF HOPE *among all peoples* **Catholic Mission Appeal 19th October.** *This World Mission Month, we invite you to journey with our missionaries, who are bringing Christ's love to those most in need.* In Zambia, many families struggle daily with poverty and limited access to essential healthcare. The Catholic Church stands as a beacon of hope, supporting communities through education, sustainable livelihoods, and healthcare.



Marian Procession 2025 Join us on Sunday 26 October 2025 in Goulburn. This year's celebration will be a vibrant display of unity, prayer, and peace, bringing together people of all ages, cultures, and Christian traditions.

You're Invited - after mass

✦ *Tathra* - Breakfast 2nd Sunday of the Month
 ✦ *Bega* - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month
All Welcome. Please bring a friend.

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation
Bega Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
Bemboka before vigil Mass
Candelo before vigil Mass
Tathra before Sunday Mass

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
 Email: Adrian.Chan@cg.org.au

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
 - 4th Sunday- 9:30am Family Mass

Weekdays

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michael Caragher, Bishop Patrick Power, Elaine Sawtell
ANNIVERSARIES Loretta McDonald, Paul Malone, Daniel McCambridge

Feasts Days

5th - St Faustina Kowalska, religious 1905-1938. Catholic Religious sister and mystic.
6th - St Bruno, Priest 1032-1101. Remembered especially for the poverty, solitude, and austerity of his way of life.
7th - Our Lady of the Rosary This commemoration was established in 1573 in thanksgiving for a Christian victory over the Ottoman forces at Lepanto
9th - St Denis, Bishop, Martyr and **Companions**, Martyrs. Died in Paris in the middle of the third century. Remembered as founder of the local Church of Paris
9th - St John Leonardi, Priest 1541-1609. Active in the years immediately after the Council of Trent, publishing a catechism and establishing a confraternity of Christian doctrine.
11th - St John XXIII, Pope 1958-1963. Promoted ecumenical movements in cooperation with other Christian traditions.

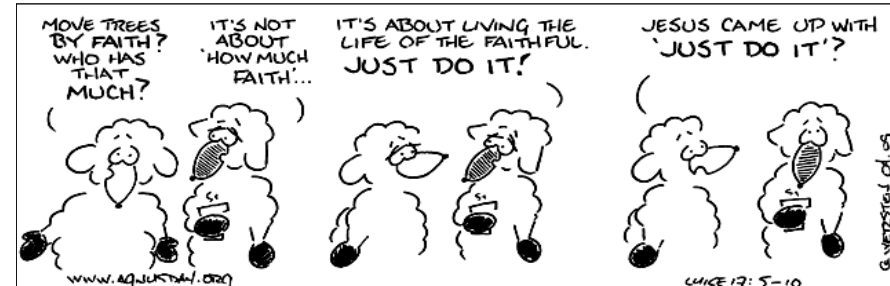


Minute Meditations - Jesus Sees You

One of my favourite verses in the stories of Jesus' healing ministry comes from the Gospel of Luke. It tells of Jesus healing at the end of a long day: "At sunset, all who had people sick with various diseases brought them to him. He laid his hands on each of them and cured them" (4:40). There is something so tranquil in this single, beautiful verse. But behind this tranquillity is something gritty and real: a man who was utterly consumed with compassion, who loved the crowds even when they pressed in on him and did not rest until he had touched every single one.

We may be overwhelmed by the needs of the world. We may fear that we don't have the stamina or the compassion of Jesus. But when Jesus looked at the crowds, he saw one person at a time—one need at a time. This must be our way too. Start with the person closest to you, and do what you can.

- From St. Anthony Messenger's "Encounter Jesus the Healer" by Amy Ekeh



Spirituality of Synodality

Silence and Contemplation .

Silence is not empty. Silence gives us space to hear God more clearly and notice how the Holy Spirit is speaking in our lives and in our community.
Reflection: Where can I create space for silence in my week?

Prayer: Lord, open my heart to hear Your voice in the quiet.

Wise Words:

Where there is love, there is no room for prejudice, for 'security' zones separating us from our neighbours, for the exclusionary mindset that, tragically, we now see emerging also in political nationalisms.

- Pope Leo XIV.