

Entrance Antiphon To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Responsorial Psalm Give the Lord glory and honour.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death to keep them alive in famine.

ROSTERS - 28th/29th October 2023
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm	
<i>Commentator</i>	E Bevvitt
<i>Readers</i>	H Allen
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	
Candelo Sat 6pm	
<i>Commentator</i>	J Coman
<i>Readers</i>	R Coman
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners - Oct</i>	Julie Banks, Rosie Coman
Tathra Sun 7:45am	
<i>Commentator</i>	Paul Gardiner
<i>Readers</i>	Raewyn Galton
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	Pat Platts
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Pat Platts
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Trish Sly, Eileen Reckord
Bega Sun 9:30am	
<i>Commentator</i>	Volunteer
<i>Readers</i>	M Scott, A Twyford
<i>Gifts</i>	Volunteer
<i>Counters</i>	Vinnies
<i>Music</i>	Matt Heffernan
<i>Acolyte</i>	Frank Farrell
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	D Koenigkamp

Wise Words:

We must never cease to do good, even when it is difficult and demanding, and when we endure acts of intolerance if not genuine persecution.

- 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 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

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

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Confirmation—28th May 2023
Weddings—by appointment, 6 months notice req.
Please contact the Parish Office.

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. **Bulletin & Forms** can be found on the website

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29th Sunday - Year A

22nd October 2023

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

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God or Caesar

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Let God and Caesar (or at least those who speak in their names) have always proved hard to reconcile.

Franz Jägerstätter was born in Austria and was brought up a Catholic. He was an ordinary, unremarkable young man who had only and elementary education and who became a casual worker. There was nothing about him to suggest that he had in him the stuff of martyrs.

However, at some stage he suddenly matured. He became very responsible and began to take his religion seriously. He was not, however, fanatical about it. He married a girl by the name of Anna, and they had three children.

By this time the Second World War was raging. At thirty-six Franz was called up to serve in Hitler's army. But he refused to join up. This was tantamount to suicide. Friends tried to talk him into joining up.

'I cannot join', he said simply.

'Why not?' they asked.

'Because I believe that this war is not a just war. Therefore, it would be wrong for me to join up. It would be against my conscience.'

'But many others have joined up. So why can't you?' they persisted.

'What others do is their business. I have to answer for my own conscience.'

'But where's your loyalty to your people, to your country, to your flag?' they continued.



'I love my people, and I love my country. But there's a higher law - God's law. And God's law tells me that this war is wrong.'

There is a party, the company, the club, Franz Jägerstätter shows us that we must give God the first and highest claim on our loyalty. What ever else we must give to Caesar, let us make sure that we do not give him our conscience.

Mass Counts: October is the month that Sunday Mass headcount takes place

November Masses: ✠ *Mass Intention Envelopes* can be placed in the collection.

✠ *All Souls Mass* Wednesday 2nd November, Bega Cemetery 8am. BYO Chair.

Institute of professional standards training for Eucharist ministers, acolytes, choir, committees etc. 23 November 6.30 pm Bega church.



MISSION SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER. Today is Mission Sunday when the Church commemorates the work of missionaries around the world.

Catholic Mission is holding its Annual Parish Appeal to help support its work. This year there is a particular focus on the work of the Salesian Sisters who operate a health clinic and vocational school in Venilale in Timor-Leste. Envelopes are available for cash or credit card donations, or you can donate on-line. Thank you.

Come Holy Spirit! Archbishop's Day for Charismatic Renewal . 4th Nov. Special guest speaker, all the way from Sri Lanka: Lalith Perera, founder and coordinator of the Community of the Risen Lord. 8:30am-2pm. Haydon Hall, Manuka. Free BBQ lunch provided. RSVP to Tim Kirk tim@clonakilla.com.au 0404 805 082



Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. An estimated 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health, and psychosocial needs. With your support, we will be able to help our partners on the ground to assist people displaced and affected by the current conflict. Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413

NEEDS OF LAY CATHOLICS TODAY. What do adult lay Catholics need today to help them live a committed Catholic life amid the circumstances of modern society? Please help by completing this brief, anonymous, tick-box survey via. Thank you. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CLTZGMW> Contact: Phil Murray, President, Canberra Catenians 0419 695 927 or phil13murray@gmail.com

You're Invited

✠ *Tathra* - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass.

✠ *Bega* - Morning Tea 4th Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega.

All Welcome. Please bring a friend.

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
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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
- 4th Sunday- 9:30am Family Mass

Weekdays

- Tuesday 5.00pm Bega Church
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
➤ *Hillgrove House* 3rd Thursday 3pm
- Friday 9.15am Bega Church
4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

ANNIVERSARIES Joan Heffernan, Colleen Rake, Phil Purdie, Les Howell, Harold Tarlinton

PRAYERS Hugo D'Arcy and his family
Noah Smith - operation in Sydney

Feasts Days

22nd - St John Paul II (1920-2005), Pope 1978-2005. Significantly improved the Catholic Church's relations with Judaism, Islam, the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Anglican Communion. Emphasised the universal call to holiness.

23rd - St John of Capistrano, Priest 1386-1456. Franciscan reformer, zealous inquisitor in Vienna, and spiritual leader of a victorious crusade against the Ottoman forces. Remembered for his preaching and austerity of life.

24th - St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop 1807-1870. Remembered for his work of religious renewal through the spoken and printed word.

28th - Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles. A tradition has Simon and Jude preaching and being martyred in Persia.

2023 Columban Calendars \$9

To Purchase:

- ✠ From the church entrance: Please use the envelope provided & place in 2nd collection.
- ✠ Contact the office via phone or email.

Gods Word 2023 \$20

Daily readings & reflections. To Order:

✠ Online: <https://forms.gle/ij6FLTa1ERp6HNXn9>

✠ Contact the office



Praying the Rosary in Bega as part of the National Public Rosary chain, Saturday 14th October.

During the month of October, people of faith are encouraged to pray a blessing and intercessory prayers for the Synod

News direct from the Vatican are available here:

<https://www.synod.va/en.html>

Br Mark O'Connor, the Vicar for Communications for the Diocese of Parramatta, is reporting on the Synod of Bishops from Rome during October 2023. He is intending to provide weekly reflections on the Synod and his first reflection is available here: <https://catholicoutlook.org/trust-the-god-of-surprises-letters-from-a-listening-and-global-synod/>

Australian Synodal Church webpage:

<https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

