

**Entrance Antiphon** Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!  
Make haste and come to my help,  
O Lord, my strong salvation!

**Responsorial Psalm** I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son,  
That all who believe in him might have eternal life.  
Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** You will show me the path of life,  
The fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

**ROSTERS - 5th/6th November 2022**  
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

<b>Bemboka Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	J Guthrie
<i>Readers</i>	M Guthrie
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	Berman
<b>Candelo Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	L Thompson
<i>Readers</i>	Ann Haahes
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners - Oct</i>	Anne & Peter Haahes
<b>Tathra Sun 7:45am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	Jacinta Battista
<i>Readers</i>	Neil Walker
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Cleaners</i>	Megan Hergenhan
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Pat Platts
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Eileen Reckord, M Hergenhan
<b>Bega Sun 9:30am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	M Henare
<i>Readers</i>	M Russell, T Tomlinson
<i>Gifts</i>	
<i>Counters</i>	S & W Giles
<i>Music</i>	Matt Heffernan
<i>Acolyte</i>	Sean McCambridge
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	E Caragher, K Rix, M Twyford, J Taylor,
<i>Nursing Home</i>	D Koenigkamp, P Gardiner
<b>Wise Words:</b> A good man is not a perfect man; a good man is an honest man, faithful and unhesitatingly responsive to the voice of God in his life. - St John Fisher	



<b>Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation</b>	
<i>Bega</i>	Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
<i>Bemboka</i>	before vigil Mass
<i>Candelo</i>	before vigil Mass
<i>Tathra</i>	before Sunday Mass
<b>St. Pat's Choir</b> practices Thurs 5.15—6pm Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 or Matt 0429 338 348.	
<b>Meditation &amp; Contemplative Prayer</b> Meeting is held on Monday at 7.30pm in the annex of Star of the Sea Church at Tathra.	
<b>Sunday Readings Reflection Group</b> Tuesday at 7pm Star of the Sea Tathra. All Welcome.	
<b>ROSARY</b> <i>Tathra</i> - 7:20am before Sunday Mass <i>Bega</i> - 9am before Sunday Mass <b>all are welcome.</b>	
<b>MENS' GROUP:</b> 2nd & 4th Thursdays St Patrick's Church. Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997	
<b>St Patrick's Sacramental programme 2022</b> <i>Baptisms</i> —During Mass, 1 month notice <i>Reconciliation</i> —22nd June <i>First Communion</i> - 18th September <i>Weddings</i> —by appoint, 6 months notice req.	
<b>For Sale:</b> Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or place your order in a marked envelope in the 2nd collection. <b>Bulletin &amp; Forms</b> can be found on the website	

**lost & found**



31st Ordinary - Year C

30th October 2022

# 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*

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## Zacchaeus & Tax Collectors

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time


Tax collectors were hated for two reasons. First, they were collaborators with the occupying Roman Empire, employed to extract taxes from the Jews; these taxes were over and above the tithe (10%) that Jews owed to the Temple. Second, the way the tax system worked lent itself to abuse. Tax collectors were hired by Roman officials; the yearly tax for an area was assessed and the tax collector paid it up front out of his own pocket. The Romans, money in hand, left it to the devices of the tax collector to make back his money with a profit - gained through over-charging, cheating, interest, or other means. Tax collectors, understandably, gained a reputation for dishonesty. Early Rabbinic writings considered tax collecting a despised trade and associated tax collectors with robbers and murderers; the NT also lists them with other 'sinners'. Zacchaeus, as chief tax collector, had many tax collectors working for him, adding another layer of employees eager to take their cut. Zacchaeus is thus an embodiment of the outcast and the estranged, or, to use the language of this story, 'the lost'.



Jesus' meeting with Zacchaeus, his last encounter with sinners before he enters Jerusalem, summarises his ministry to this point and replays some earlier themes. Once again the episode begins by drawing attention to Jesus' journey and it ends with Jesus announcing salvation (Sunday 28).

The metaphor of finding the lost recalls the parable of the prodigal son in which the father rejoices that his son who 'was lost ... has been found' (Sunday 24). This episode also recaps the two previous parables. Like the persistent widow, Zacchaeus persists in seeking out Jesus; and like the tax collector in the previous parable, he acknowledges his sin and announces the restitution he repays for extortion committed in the line of business. Such persistence and repentance end with this sinner being saved: this lost child of Abraham has been found - the very reason for which the Son of Man has come'.

**November Masses:** ✦ *Mass Intention Envelopes* can be placed in the collection.  
✦ *All Souls Mass* Wednesday 2nd November, Bega Cemetery 8am. BYO Chair.

 **Mission Sunday 23rd October** - Thank you so much for your generous partnership with life-changing mission programs like the establishment of the Deberety Goat Rearing Centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia. To learn more about the impact of your support, visit [catholicmission.org.au/our-work](http://catholicmission.org.au/our-work), To give: use the appeal envelope, Freecall: 1800 257 296; QR or [catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia](http://catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia)



**Lumen Christi Year 7 2023 Orientation Day.** Wed 23rd Nov 9am to 3:20pm.

**Palliative Care Volunteers Required:** Southern Health is recruiting volunteers for a new service. See the poster for details. To register your interest or for more information call: 0477 322 107 or 0407 529 526.



**60th anniversary Dinner of the Goulburn schools strike** - 29th November. The venue is the Goulburn Workers Club and tickets are \$48 plus a booking fee. The Hon Ursula Stephens is the guest speaker. The next day is the re-opening of the restored Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral. You can book tickets through the Eventbrite website [gss60.eventbrite.com](https://gss60.eventbrite.com).

**Marriage Preparation Program** - 9th November. Catholic Care/Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples. Includes FOCCUS questionnaire, dinner, evening formation program and a private, follow-up couple discussion with a CatholicCare counsellor. Held at St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, Manuka from 5-9 pm at a cost of \$300 per couple. Online option also for regional couples. Information and registration at [www.marriagefamily.org.au](http://www.marriagefamily.org.au)

**Cocktail Party for the Farm**, Galong - 18th Nov. The Farm at Galong is a residential program for women who have been harmed by substance abuse and may also have experienced domestic violence, abuse, trauma and homelessness. The program aims to equip women in recovery with the skills and insights they need to lead productive lives. 5pm - 7pm. Contact: [b\\_layton@optusnet.com.au](mailto:b_layton@optusnet.com.au)

### You're Invited

- ✦ *Tathra* - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass. 13th November
- ✦ *Bega* - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega. Next Parish Mission. **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

### Weekdays

- Tuesday 5.00pm 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** Ron Alexander, Steven Goward, Mona McCambridge, Ron Thornton

**ANNIVERSARIES** Colin Joseph Hergenhan, Peg Hergenhan, Maura Wesley-Collins, Colleen Rake, Paul Malone

**PRAYERS** Anne Smith & her children Henry & Malory (Sue Gardiner's Daughter). Jenny Ryan and June O'Farrell - Ill health.

### Feasts Days

- 1<sup>st</sup> - All Saints.** This feast began in the East to commemorate all martyrs and was progressively adopted in the West.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed.** This day of commemoration began early in the Middle Ages with annual prayers for the dead in monastic communities.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - St Martin de Porres,** Religious. 1579-1639. Remembered for his humility and holiness, his ministry to African slaves, and his dedicated service of the poor and the sick of all races.
- 4<sup>th</sup> - St Charles Borromeo,** Bishop. 1538-1584. Remembered as an exemplary & pastoral bishop & an ardent proponent of reform & renewal.

**Men's Cursillo Retreat Weekend:** A Cursillo retreat weekend offers you the opportunity for formation through talks, meditations, discussion and prayer, led by an experienced local volunteer team. A three-day retreat starts on the evening of Thu 24 Nov in a relaxed retreat setting. Contact Alfred 0412 268 044 or [readyssetgo@live.com.au](mailto:readyssetgo@live.com.au)

### 2023 Columban Calendars \$9

To Purchase:

- ✦ From the church entrance:
- Please use the envelope provided & place in 2nd collection.
- ✦ Contact the office.



### Gods Word 2023 \$20

Daily readings & reflections.

To Order:

- ✦ Online: <https://forms.gle/WGZwgjoc4r6KKe3M8>
- ✦ Contact the office



**Parish Mission**  
with the Sisters of Missionary of God's Love (MGL)

**4th to 6th November**

- ♥ Friday 4th Parish retreat St Patrick's Church Bega 7-8pm
- ♥ Sat 5th Family Day at Star of the Sea Tathra, from 12noon please bring a plate to share
- ♥ Sunday 6th Family Day at St Patrick's Bega from 10:15am, please bring a plate to share.

**Everyone is most Welcome.**

**Please invite your friends & family.**

ST PATRICK'S COMMUNITY COUNCIL PRESENTS

St Patrick's

**Community Christmas Festival**

MARKET STALLS - LOCAL HANDMADE GIFTS - LIVE MUSIC - DELICIOUS FOOD - FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

**Sat December 10, 2022**

10am - 3pm  
Gipps Street, Bega

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