<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
Gospel Acclimation	Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

ROSTERS - 18th/19th November 2023 Please arrange a swap if you are not available		Sacrament of Penance/ReconciliationBegaSaturday, 9.40 - 10am
Bemboka Sat 6pm Commentator Readers	G Green G Bevitt	Bembokabefore vigil MassCandelobefore vigil MassTathrabefore Sunday Mass
Gifts Cleaners Candelo Sun 9:30a	ım	St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15— 6pm Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 or Matt 0429 338 348.
Commentator Readers Gifts Cleaners - Nov	R Heffernan K Dodds Anne & Peter Hahesy	Meditation & Contemplative Prayer           Meeting is held on Monday at 7.30pm in the annex of Star of the Sea Church at Tathra.
Tathra Sun 7:45amCommentatorBob WestonReadersGerard Hergenhan		<b>Sunday Readings Reflection Group</b> Tuesday at 7pm Star of the Sea Tathra. All Welcome.
	Teresa Taylor Kate D'Arcy Carleen Maley, J Battista	ROSARY Tathra - 7:20am before Sunday Mass Bega - 9am before Sunday Mass all are welcome.
GiftsVolunteerCountersA WoodsMusicMatt Heffernar	E Attram, TBA Volunteer	MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays St Patrick's Church. Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997
	Matt Heffernan Sean McCambridge	St Patrick's Sacramental Programme Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice Confirmation—28th May 2023 Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req. Please contact the Parish Office.
<u>Wise Words:</u> Faith is seeing light with your heart when all		<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

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32nd Sunday - Year A 12th November 2023 k's Þarish St. Dati St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo Star of the Sea, Tathra. Ph. 64921058 Fr. Adrian Chan. Parish Priest. PO. Box 6. Bega. NSW 2550. Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary. Email: Bega@cg.org.au Hrs 9-2 Tuesday & Thursday Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am Website: http://cg.org.au/bega/ St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500 Lumen Christi (LCCC), Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888 Facebook: St Patricks Bega

We acknowledge the Yuin 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 and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

## Vigilance

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to the disciples: "then the kingdom of heaven will be like this.

Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise."

Unique to Matthew, this is the only parable of watching and waiting where discipleship is portrayed in a feminine context. In the parable, the kingdom of heaven "will be like" a gathering of young women, unmarried but of marriageable age - at twelve years in first century Palestine - who according to cultural norms are waiting at the bride's parental home so that they can meet the bridegroom as he approaches.



The parable presents us with both a positive and negative model of how disciples are to wait for the return of Jesus the Bridegroom at the end of human history. The emphasis is on the oil and the burning lamps, not on the falling asleep, which all ten girls do when the arrival of the bridegroom is delayed.

In baptism, we are chosen to illumine the passage of Christ the Bridegroom through our world by lives that are fueled with the oil of good works (Matt 5:14-16). For Matthew, "oil" and "lamplight" are symbolic of good works and Christian witness that gives glory to God.

What will gain entry to the wedding feast is the young women's ready ability to greet the arrival of the Bridegroom.

In gospel terms, readiness to greet the Bridegroom and go in with him to the eternal wedding banquet means a life lived in constant vigilance.

**November Masses: \****Mass Intention Envelopes* can be placed in the first collection and names will be added to November mass list.

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

Note for readers please pause 20 seconds in between readings for respectful silence - thank you.

New Tap Device. The parish has update the tap device used for electronic giving at the Sunday Masses. The device now has 3 set amounts to choose from. Tap the amount on the screen you wish to donate, wait for the tap screen to load, and then tap your card. Your donation will be split between the 2 collections: 30% to the first and 70% to the second. Thank you.

Prayer Support for COP28 UN's Climate Conference, COP28 starts in Dubai on 30-Nov. Public multi-faith prayer support for global action on climate (as a mainstream faith issue) will be on the lawns in front of Parliament House. Sunday 26th: 2.30-4pm Sunday; Monday 27th: 8-9.30am. All invited or offer prayer support off-site. Enquiry: LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com

Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Half Day Workshop - Merimbula Tuesday 21st at 9:00 am. See the poster for more information and registration



Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. You can donate online MIN AUSTRALIA www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413

The Christmas Park: 15 - 17 December 6-11:30pm St Augustine's Croatian Catholic Church, 262 Beasley St, Farrer. This a St Anthony Bread Charity Event. Further information https://www.christmaspark.com.au/

You're Invited # Tathra - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass. # Bega - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega. All Welcome. Please bring a friend.

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064 Email: Adrian.Chan@cg.org.au	Weekdays ≻Tuesday 5.00pm Bega Church		
Sunday Mass Times▶Bemboka- Saturdays - 6pm Vigil▶Candelo- Sundays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th- Sundays - 9:30am liturgy 2nd, 4th▶Tathra- Sundays - 7.45am Mass	<ul> <li>Fidesday 5.00pm Bega Church</li> <li>Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.</li> <li>Thursday 9.15am Bega Church</li> <li>Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 3pm</li> <li>Friday 9.15am Bega Church 4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'</li> </ul>		
▶ <u>Bega</u> - Sundays - 9.30am Mass - 4th Sunday- 9:30am Family Mass	Saturday 9.15am Bega Church		

ANNIVERSARIES Max Heffernan, Rina Sheehan, Ann Farrell, Bob Armstrong, Barney & Nora Sheehan, Cec Berman, Johnnie Roberts, Joan Heffernan

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

12<sup>th</sup>- St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr 1580-1623. Remembered for his energetic pastoral reform and courageous ecumenism 15<sup>th</sup> - St Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church1200-1280. Remembered for the outstanding breadth of his learning in the natural sciences, a Jewish and Arabic studies, and Greek philosophy, all of which he brought to the service of his theology. Õ 16<sup>th</sup> - St Gertrude, Virgin 1256-1302. Remembered as one of the most important sts of medieval mystics. 16<sup>th</sup> - St Margaret of Scotland 1046-1093. Remembered for the happiness of her Ø marriage, for her devotion to prayer and learning, and especially for her ð

generosity to the poor.

17<sup>th</sup> - St Élizabeth of Hungary, Religious 1207-1231. Remembered for her good -humoured resilience in adversity & for her humility in menial service of the needy. 18<sup>th</sup> - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul

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The first assembly of the Synod of Bishops on Synodality is over.



English Translation of the Synthesis Report

The English translation of the synthesis report has now been released. Please follow the link below:

## https://www.synod.va/en/news/a-synodal-church-in-mission.html

Australian Synodal Church webpage: https://catholic.org.au/ For a synodal Church synodalchurch communion L participation L mission

