

**Entrance Antiphon** Let my prayer come into your presence.  
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Praise the Lord, my soul!

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy the poor in Spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
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 - 16th/17th November 2024**  
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

**Bemboka Sat 6pm**  
Commentator G Bevitt  
Readers H Woollett  
Cleaners

**Candelo Sat 6pm**  
Commentator F Heffernan  
Readers K Dodds  
Cleaners - Nov Ann & Peter Haesy

**Tathra Sun 7:45am**  
Commentator Claire Walker  
Readers Carleen Maley  
Cleaners B O'Brien, P & S Gardiner  
Audio-Visual Paul Gardiner  
Eucharistic Ministers Jacinta Battista, Pat Platts

**Bega Sun 9:30am**  
Commentator M Henare  
Readers M Scott, A Twyford  
Gifts Volunteer  
Counters K Rix, V Northcott  
Music Matt Heffernan  
Acolyte Sean McCambridge  
Eucharistic Ministers D Koenigkamp



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

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 encouraged 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.**  
*Tathra* - 7:20am before Sunday Mass  
*Bega* - 9am before Sunday Mass

**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  
*Reconciliation*—26th May 2024  
*First Communion* - 25th August 2024  
*Weddings*—by appoint, 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



**32nd Ordinary - Year B**

# St. Patrick's Parish

*St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo  
Star of the Sea, Tathra.*

**10th November 2024**

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Fr. Adrian Chan. Parish Priest.  
Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.  
Hrs 9-2 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*  
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Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888

*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.*

**The Meaning of Sacrifice.** *32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

This incident takes up a theme present in the first reading, namely that those who show the greatest generosity are not always those with the most to give. However, before Jesus comments on the poor widow who gives of her all, he roundly condemns those whose behaviour brings the practice of religion into discredit. Their aim is to be noticed and well thought of because of their adherence to religious ritual but by their actions they are revealed as oppressors who care nothing for the plight of those most in need, in fact they even add to their misery. This is a sham that offends Jesus to the core. It is in the context of condemning such behaviour that he notices the poor widow whose actions show her to be a woman of deep faith and trust. It is worth pointing out that Jesus is not suggesting that the poor who give of what they have and leave themselves with nothing are doing what is expected of them. No, he is merely using the behaviour of the woman to show the inadequacies of others who could learn much from her.



In the modern era it is no doubt hard for us to relate to language about the blood of animals and sacrifices by priests in the temple. However, the language of sacrifice is still very relevant to our world. Ironically this can be seen in the first reading where the actions of a poverty-stricken widow show us that the only sacrifice that matters is self sacrifice. God is not interested in the spilling of blood for this makes no change either in him or us; Rather God is concerned about whether we live for ourselves or for others, and Jesus in offering his life, not just by his death on the cross but by everything he did, has shown us the way.

*Sean Goan*

*We Welcome into our Parish Family:  
Jiezele Apriel Jacoba  
Baptised in the name of the Father, & the Son & the Holy Spirit*



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

**Defibrillator Available.** Thanks to a generous donation Bega Church has now been fitted with a defibrillator.

**Scam Emails:** Another round of scam emails are circulating purporting to be from our clergy requesting assistance/money/contact. Do not respond and block sender. All priests email are addressed @cg.org.au

**Maintenance Works Update:** The work on Bega Church is nearly complete. Thank you for following the directions when using the building.

**RCIA:** if you are interested in becoming a Catholic please contact Father Adrian at [Adrian.chan@cg.org.au](mailto:Adrian.chan@cg.org.au)

**Now Available** for collection God's Word 2025 . There are some extra copies available - please contact the office.

**Columban Calendars** are now available for purchase. \$9. Please use envelope provided and place in the 2nd Collection.

**Remembering lives Lost to Suicide:** Wesley LifeForce Suicide Memorial Service Canberra Southern Cross Yacht Club Thursday 21 November 2024, 7.30-8.40am. For more details visit [www.wesleylifeforce.org.au](http://www.wesleylifeforce.org.au)



**Caritas Australia's Lebanon Crisis Appeal.** Lebanon is currently facing a dire crisis, and the need for your support has never been greater. Communities are being devastated by conflict and economic instability, leaving countless families without access to basic needs like food, water, and medical care. Our Caritas Australia partners on the ground are doing everything they can, but they desperately need your help. Donate today to help supply essential items such as food, shelter, and medical aid, as well as long-term support to rebuild communities. [www.caritas.org.au/lebanon](http://www.caritas.org.au/lebanon) or 1800 024 413

### 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](mailto: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 5.00pm 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:** John McManus, Tony Johnston, Brie Myers, John Bellamy  
**ANNIVERSARIES** Ann Farrell, Joan & Paul Finucane, Cec Berman, Colleen Rake

### Feasts Days this Week

- 10<sup>th</sup> - **St Leo the Great**, Pope & Doctor of the Church 461-440.
- 11<sup>th</sup> - **St Martin of Tours**, Bishop 316-397. Widely remembered for his legendary generosity to the poor, for arguing against the persecution of heretics, and especially for his active evangelisation and pastoral care of rural areas
- 12<sup>th</sup> - **St Josaphat**, Bishop and Martyr 1580-1623. Remembered for his energetic pastoral reform and courageous ecumenism.
- 15<sup>th</sup> - **St Albert the Great**, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 1200-1280.
- 16<sup>th</sup> - **St Gertrude**, Virgin 1256-1302. Found Christ in the liturgy and Scripture, and on this foundation developed her devotion to the humanity of Jesus and, together with it, a love of the heart of Jesus. Remembered as one of the most important of medieval mystics
- 16<sup>th</sup> - **St Margaret of Scotland** 1046-1093. Remembered for the happiness of her marriage, for her devotion to prayer and learning, and especially for her generosity to the poor.

**Pambula Parish Jubilee of Families Pilgrimage** 9th May to 4th June 2025. Accompanied by Fr George. For more information contact the office for a copy of the information flyer or visit [www.harvestjourneys.com/pv2539](http://www.harvestjourneys.com/pv2539)



### Minute Meditations - Remain in God

Jesus' frequent refrain—"Do not be afraid"—should be our mantra of discipleship. Fear is what led Peter to deny being a follower of Jesus during the trial and crucifixion. Fear is what led the disciples to flee the scene of Jesus on the cross for fear of the same fate. And fear is what leads you and me away from remaining in the love that is God.

As the Gospel of John assures us: "There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear." May we strive to love perfectly and, in so doing, remain in God.

- from *God Is Not Fair (And Other Reasons for Gratitude)* by Daniel P. Horan

### Wise Words:

Blunders of the world that lead to violence:  
Wealth without work.  
Pleasure without Conscience  
Knowledge with Character  
Commerce without Morality  
Science without Humility  
Worship without Sacrifice  
Politics without Principle

- Mahatma Gandhi

