

**Entrance Antiphon** The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace & not of affliction  
You will call upon me, and I will answer you,  
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**Responsorial Psalm** Happy those who fear the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord:  
my branches bear much fruit.  
Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** To be near God is my happiness,  
to place my hope in God the Lord.

**ROSTERS - 25th/26th November 2023**  
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

**Bemboka Sat 6pm**  
Commentator J Guthrie  
Readers M Guthrie  
Gifts  
Cleaners Bevitt

**Candelo Sun 9:30am**  
Commentator J Coman  
Readers A Haheisy  
Gifts  
Cleaners - Nov Anne & Peter Haheisy

**Tathra Sun 7:45am**  
Commentator Jacinta Battista  
Readers Neil Walker  
Gifts  
Cleaners Raewyn Galton  
Audio-Visual Trish Sly  
Eucharistic Ministers J Battista, Les/Denise Carey

**Bega Sun 9:30am**  
Commentator T Tomlinson  
Readers J Scott-Pegum, M O'Neill  
Gifts Volunteer  
Counters K Johnson & N Bateman  
Music  
Acolyte Frank Farrell  
Eucharistic Ministers B Burton

**Wise Words:**  
We must understand then,  
that even though  
God doesn't  
always give us  
what we need for  
our salvation.  
- St Augustine



**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 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

**trust & talent**



**33rd Sunday - Year A**  
**St. Patrick's Parish**  
*St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo  
Star of the Sea, Tathra.*

**19th November 2023**

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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  
Lumen Christi (LCCC), 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.*

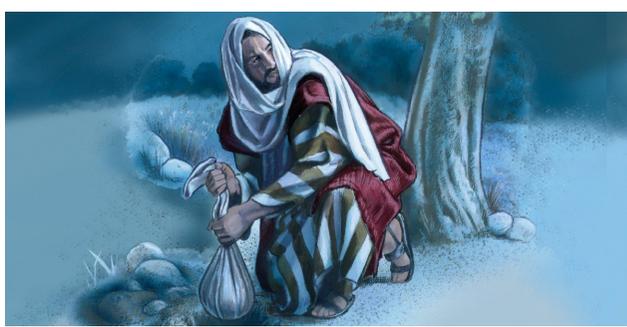
**A Talent to Bemust**

*33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*



The technical support person was having difficulty identifying the problem the caller was having with her computer. After ten minutes of futile questioning he asked her the most basic question of all: 'What type of computer do you have?' 'A white one,' she replied.

You might think that a caller like that couldn't possibly have a future in computer technology. And, you'd probably be right. However, when it comes to answering God's call to do something that sort of reckoning goes out the window. God often calls the least talented, in secular terms, to do God's will. Why so? Because it must be clear that it's God's power working through the individual that gets things done, not the individual's own talents.



Look at this choice of Pope, for example. The first, I mean. An unlettered fisherman. Would we ever dream of choosing such a candidate for the post today? Definitely not. Our candidates have to be extremely well lettered and talented, even in secular terms. Is that saying anything about our trust in God's power?

Today's Gospel (Matt 25:14-30) is all about trust. A man divides his property among his servants to look after it for him while he's away. What matters is not how much they earn, but how they use what he gives them. Hiding it away safely is not an option. The owner gives it for use.

*Fr. Tom Cahill svd*

**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.

**Vinnies Store.** The Bega Vinnies stores is closed until further notice. Unfortunately they cannot take donations until they reopen. They apologise for the inconvenience and hope to be open again soon.

**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](mailto:LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com)



**Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.** Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. You can donate online [www.caritas.org.au/gaza](http://www.caritas.org.au/gaza) or phone 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.**

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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** Ken Lehman, Max Heffernan, Rina Sheehan, Ann Farrell, Bob Armstrong, Barney & Nora Sheehan, Cec Berman, Johnnie Roberts

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

### Feasts Days this Week

- 21<sup>st</sup> - The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary** It celebrates Mary in her grace-filled life, wholly given over to the Holy Spirit from the time of her conception.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - St Cecilia**, Virgin & Martyr, ca.4<sup>th</sup> Century. Remembered in tradition as a virgin, martyred for the faith. Her name is included in Eucharistic Prayer I.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - St Clement I**, Pope & Martyr. Remembered for a letter written from the Church at Rome to the Church at Corinth, an important witness to the emergence of ministries and authority in the Church and to the pastoral responsibility of Rome to another Church.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - St Columban**, Abbot 543-615. Remembered for his austerity of life, his missionary energy, and his role in the development of individual confession.
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Sts Andrew Dung-Lac** (1795-1839), , Priest & Companions. Martyrs. Remembered as representatives of the thousands of Christians tortured and martyred in Vietnam between the seventeenth and nineteenth centuries.
- 25<sup>th</sup> - St Catherine of Alexandria**, Virgin & Martyr, ca 4<sup>th</sup> Century. Remembered as a heroine of the Middle Ages.

### 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.

### Christmas Mass Times 2023

*4th Sunday of Advent - 24th*

Bemboka 6pm 23rd Vigil Mass

Bega 9:30am Sunday Mass

Please note there is no Mass at Tathra this day

*Christmas Eve - 24th*

Bega 5:30pm Carols

6:00pm Family Vigil

Bemboka 9:00pm

*Christmas Day - 25th*

Tathra 7:45am

Candelo 10.00am



### All Souls Mass.

