

Entrance Antiphon The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and 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 The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

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

ROSTERS - 22nd/23rd November 2025
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm	
Commentator	E Bevitt
Readers	H Allen
Cleaners	Berman

Candelo Sat 6pm	
Commentator	J Coman
Readers	L Thompson
Cleaners - Nov	Ann & Peter Hahey

Tathra Sun 7:45am	
Commentator	Bob Weston
Readers	Gerard Hergenhan
Cleaners	Marj Bower
Audio-Visual	Trish Sly
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Platts, Denise Miller

Bega Sun 9:30am	
Commentator	Ayar Frantz
Readers	M Dessmann
Gifts	Volunteer
Music	Matt Heffernan
Acolyte	Sean McCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers	B Burton



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.

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 encourage 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 - 7:15am 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
Confirmation 2025— 8th June 2025
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req. Please contact the Parish Office.

Syro-Malabar Mass 4th Wed of the Month 5pm Bega. Contact Lijoy 0469 341 965
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33rd Ordinary - Year C **16th November 2025**

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*
Safeguarding, Mrs. Emma Grant, Bega.Safeguarding@cg.org.au
St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888

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

Hopelessness or Hope?

In the Jewish world of Jesus' time one of the ways of speaking about God's action in the world was known as apocalyptic. This type of language is found in the gospels when the evangelists are speaking about the end of time. The imagery is not be taken literally but is symbolic of the hard times that people might have to endure before the final victory of good over evil. This reading from Luke looks towards the second coming of Christ and Jesus warns his followers not be distracted but to persevere in their faith for no harm will come to them. The preaching of Jesus is never aimed at frightening people into conversion so there is nothing Christian about using the Bible to predict a catastrophic end to the world.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time





It is inevitable, as we reach the end of another liturgical year, that we think about the passage of time and what the future holds. For some it may be full of promise, for others it may appear bleak indeed. However, as Christians our view of the future is not one either of naive optimism nor of a dark fatalism. We do not know what the coming year holds for each of us but we do know that if we keep Christ at our side then we will not lose heart whatever befalls us. The Biblical view of the future is one steeped in the hope brought by the resurrection of Jesus and his victory over sin and death.

Sean Goan



9th World Day of the Poor

You are My Hope (ps 71:5)
"Amid life's trials, our hope is inspired by the firm and reassuring certainty of God's love, poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit. That hope does not disappoint" - Pope Leo XIV

November Masses for the Deceased: Mass Intention Envelopes are available at the entrance and can be placed in the collection. The names are added to the November List, updated each week, the list is placed on each altar for all of November.

God's Word 2026. Please order via sign-up sheet or email bega@cg.org.au \$23

An Afternoon of Taizé Sunday 16th November 2pm Star of the Sea Tathra. An Ecumenical contemplative prayer service - music, scripture, meditation, reflection. Focusing on furthering peace and leading towards reconciliation, healing & unity. For more information see the parish website.

Bulletin Email - due to IT issues the weekly bulletin email is currently not working. The bulletin is available on the parish website from 2pm Thursdays.

Wesley LifeForce Suicide Memorial Service: 24th November, 6-7pm, Members Dining Room 1, Old Parliament House. If you've been impacted by the loss of a loved one to suicide, join a community who share the experience of bereavement. Counsellors will be present to offer support. Attendees are welcome to bring a photo and share a personal tribute on our memorial wall.



Behold & Resound Workshop: Sat 6th December Moruya Parish 10-3:30. A parish liturgy & music workshop. Come and experience a day of faith, beauty and renewal. Discover how the liturgy of the church and music can draw you closer to Christ and deepen your life of prayer. Free of charge, light lunch provided. Register: by 1st December at <https://www.cgevangalisation.org.au/bar> . For more information see the poster at the entrance.

Red November: Pray for persecuted Christians, Aid to the Church in Need invites all Catholics to remember, pray for and support persecuted Christians throughout Red November. Please pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria, Sudan and the Middle East, where Christians are facing grave danger right now. Watch the official video and download your Red Rosary prayer card www.rednovember.org

You're Invited - after mass

- ✦ **Tathra** - Breakfast 2nd Sunday of the Month
- ✦ **Bega** - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month
- All Welcome. Please bring a friend.**

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

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
 Email: 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: Michael Caragher

ANNIVERSARIES Ken Lehman, Ann Farrell, Pat Trigurtha, Jack & Marie McNamara

PRAYERS Rachel Healey

Feasts Days

- 16th - 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.
- 17th - St Elizabeth of Hungary**, Religious 1207-1231. Married at 14, widowed at 20, died at 24. Living a life of service as a Franciscan tertiary despite the hostility of her relatives and the harshness of her confessor.
- 18th - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul**, Apostles. The dedications of these churches have been commemorated together on this day since the twelfth century.
- 21st - 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
- 22nd - St Cecilia**, Virgin and Martyr. Popular legends were written about her in the late fifth century, and in the sixteenth century she was named the patron of music.



Minute Meditations - God Is Always Good

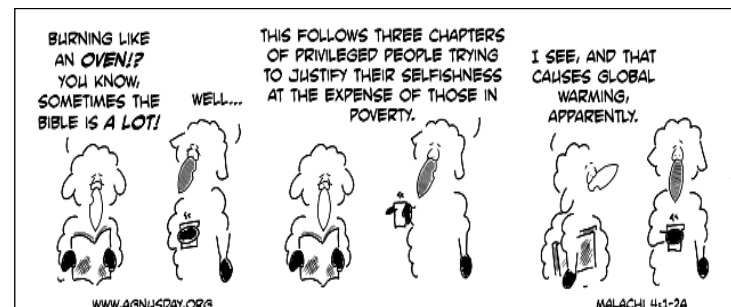
The Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins crystallized so beautifully the effect that John Duns Scotus' teaching has on mystical minds: *Yet ah! this air I gather and release He lived on;*

These weeds and waters, these walls are what He haunted

Who of all men most sways my spirits to peace.

The worldview of Scotus can sway our spirits to this: God is good and so we his children must be good too; God is free and so we do not need to be afraid of true freedom; God is nonviolent love, and this is the only hope for a world in which even Christians think violence is a way to "redeem" the world. Wrong ideas about God create wrong ideas about everything else too.

- From Franciscan Media's "Friar to Friar: Richard Rohr on John Duns Scotus" by Richard Rohr, OFM .



Spirituality of Synodality Unity with Many Voices.

A synodal Church holds unity and diversity together. We are one Body in Christ, yet each person brings unique gifts that enrich the whole community.

Reflection: Do I value the different voices and gifts in my parish?
Prayer: Holy Spirit, help us to be one in Christ while honouring our differences.

Wise Words:

God does not create poverty; we do, because we do not share.
 - St Teresa of Kolkata