

Entrance Antiphon My eyes are always on the Lord, for her rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me & have mercy on me for I am alone & poor.

Responsorial Psalm The Lord is kind and merciful .

Gospel Acclamation Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard,
This is my beloved son hear him.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon The sparrow find a home, & the swallow a nest for her young: by your alters, O lord of host, my King & my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

ROSTERS - 26th/27th March 2022
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator J Guthrie
Readers M Guthrie
Gifts
Cleaners Berman

Candelo Sun 9:30am
Commentator Ann Haesy
Readers K Dodds
Gifts
Cleaners - March Nalda & Roger Heffernan

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Jacinta Battista
Readers Vicki Kennaugh
Gifts
Cleaners Carleen Maley
Audio-Visual Vicki Kennaugh
Eucharistic Ministers Pat Platts, Jacinta Battista

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator V Northcott, A Woods
Readers V Northcott, A Woods
Gifts
Music Matt Heffernan
Acolyte Frank Farrell
Eucharistic Ministers U de Morsier, M Twyford, B Larkin, B Tygh

Wise Words: To repent is not to look downwards at my own shortcomings, but upwards at God's Love, it is not to look backwards with self-reproach but forwards with trustfulness, it is to see not what I have failed to be, but what by the grace of Christ I might yet become.
- St John Climacus

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 64921850 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 2022
Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Reconciliation—30th March
First Communion - 14th September.
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req.

For Sale: Bibles - \$16; 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

Repentance



3rd Lent - Year C

20th March 2022

St. Patrick's Parish

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

Fr. Luke Verrell. Parish Priest.
Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.

Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
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The Barren Fig Tree

This parable, found only in Luke, is introduced by the report of two strange events which only Luke recounts. The first seems to be an act of political violence committed by Pilate against some Galileans; the second is a freak accident at a tower being built at Siloam which is in Jerusalem. What both stories have in common is that a group of people met a quick, unexpected end. Jesus doesn't address the moral issues - whether their sinfulness made them worthy of such a fate; instead, he seizes a teachable moment and warns his hearers to repent lest they perish suddenly and unprepared.

The Third Sunday of Lent



In this context - repent now before disaster overtakes you - Jesus gives this parable of the barren fig tree. The owner has been patient, checking for three years to see if this tree would produce fruit. Now, suddenly and without warning, he announces his decision: 'Cut it down!' So far, this is a story that recalls the fiery preaching of John the Baptist: 'Produce good fruits as evidence of your repentance ... Even now the axe lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not produce

good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire'. But in the ministry of Jesus there is a gift of mercy and unexpected postponement of the judgment: the gardener pleads for one more year. He will take extraordinary steps: fertilising a fig tree was not common practice. But after this short delay and after these exceptional measures, if there is still no fruit, then judgment will fall. The time is short! This situation is urgent! Repent now!

It is possible that there are veiled references to Jesus' approaching fate. He speaks this parable while he is on his journey to Jerusalem; the references to Pilate and violent death certainly alert readers to Jesus' violent death at the hands of Pilate. Jesus' preaching on the way to Jerusalem represents that last period of grace during which his hearers may repent. Soon it will be too late.

STAY COVID-19 SAFE - LATEST PROTOCOLS FOR MASS

- 👤 Masks are no longer Compulsory
- 👤 Social Distancing no longer required
- 👤 Choirs & Singing allowed
- 👤 Holy Communion: Sacred Host only; in hand or on the tongue
- 👤 Check-in terminated.
- 👤 Sanitise hands recommended
- 👤 Holy water fonts can be used

Weekday Mass Changes: mass on Monday 21st Tathra 9am. No Masses Tuesday 22nd Bega 5:30pm and Tathra Wednesday 23rd 9am. Normal weekday mass times Thursday, Friday & Saturday. Thanks

Supper Candelo. All are invited to an informal get together after Mass in Candelo Saturday 19th. Please bring a plate to share. Everyone Welcome.



Lumen Christi 2023 enrolment information.

College Open Day - Wednesday, 25 May 2022 - 9:00am to 5:00pm
 Information Session at 11:45am & Tours from 9:00am All Welcome
Year 7 2023 Orientation day Wednesday 23 November, 2022 – 9:00am to 3:20pm. Students wear their primary sports uniform and runners. Please bring a pencil case, recess, lunch, drink & hat. A sausage sizzle will be held at lunchtime. For further information please contact the Enrolments Officer on 6495 8888 or email lccc@cg.catholic.edu.au

Sacrament of Confession. Saturdays in Bega 9:40-10am. Also available after any mass. Please see Fr Bill.

Emergency Contact - Fr Bill is available for any emergency - please phone 0497 088 007

Vinnies Flood Appeals: With a focus on immediate, mid, & long-term recovery of community by conferences. For more info and to donate follow the links:

NSW Flood Appeal: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-nsw/vinnies-nsw-flood-appeal>

QLD Flood Appeal: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-qld/vinnies-disaster-appeal-qld-2022>

Ukraine Appeals: ✠ *Aid to the Church in Need* supporting the Catholic Church in Ukraine. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine

✠ *Salesian Mission Australia* supporting Ukrainian refugees in neighbouring countries: <https://salesianmissionsaustralia.org.au/donate/ukrainian-refugee-crisis>

✠ *Caristas Emergency Appeal* Support Caritas Ukraine supply emergency needs to the people of Ukraine www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413.

Chrism Mass - 11th April 5pm. Join the Archbishop and the Clergy of the Archdiocese at St Christopher's Cathedral, Forrest for this most important Holy Week ceremony. It is this Mass that the Holy Oils used in the various Sacramental Rites of the Church are blessed and consecrated. Everyone is most welcome.

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 5.30pm 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 Matthew Thompson, Kim Aldridge, Gordon Buddle, Shirley Fletcher, Jeff Harris, Lorna Ringland

ANNIVERSARIES John Finucane, Denise Mary Mulligan, Denis Kelly

PRAYERS Anne Smith & her children Henry & Malory (Sue Gardiner's Daughter).
 Jenny Ryan and June O'Farrell - Ill health.
 Stephen Goward - Cancer
 Noah Smith - still in hospital in Sydney
 Hugo D'Arcy(3mth) - in hospital in Sydney

Feasts **23rd - St Turibius de Mogrovejo**, Bishop, 1538-1606. Remembered for his determined opposition to ecclesiastical abuses and to colonial exploitation, for his pastoral care and evangelisation of the indigenous peoples in their own languages, and for his visitation of the vast diocese.
25th - The Annunciation of the Lord - Its occurrence close to Easter links the incarnation with the whole mystery of human redemption in Christ.

Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice & the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income & employment, while keeping culture alive.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 & help provide employment & training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country & keep their culture alive

You can also donate on 1800 024 413 or lent.caritas.org.au

 **Back Verandah BBQ** at St Patrick's Presbytery will be held on Sunday 20th from noon. Start cooking at 1pm. Meat and drinks provided. Bring a salad or dessert. Access through the front of the house or via the rear (take care on the stairs).

Stations of the Cross
 Candelo - Tues 6pm in Lent followed by a cuppa



HOLY WEEK 11TH TO 17TH APRIL

Monday	11th	Mass of the Chrism 5pm St Christopher Canberra
Thursday	14th	Mass of the Lords Supper 7pm Bega , adoration until 10pm
Friday	15th	Stations of the Cross 10am - Tathra & Candelo Passion of the Lord & Veneration 3pm - Bega
Saturday	16th	Easter Vigil 7pm - Bega
Sunday	17th	Easter Sunday: 7:45am - Tathra 10am - Bemboka

