


Entrance Antiphon Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.


Responsorial Psalm Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Gospel Acclamation Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
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Communion Antiphon Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together.
It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

ROSTERS - 16th/17th March 2023	
Please arrange a swap if you are not available	
Bemboka Sat 6pm <i>Commentator</i> <i>Readers</i> <i>Cleaners</i>	
Candelo Sat 6pm <i>Commentator</i> L Thompson <i>Readers</i> K Dodds <i>Cleaners - Mar</i> Nalda & Roger Heffernan	
Tathra Sun 7:45am <i>Commentator</i> Paul Gardiner <i>Readers</i> Eileen Corcoran <i>Cleaners</i> B O'Brien, S & P Gardiner <i>Audio-Visual</i> Pat Platts <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i> Mark Oakley, Carleen Maley	
Bega Sun 9:30am <i>Commentator</i> Mel Ferris <i>Readers</i> Sacramental Candidates <i>Gifts</i> Volunteer <i>Counters</i> Office <i>Music</i> Matt Heffernan <i>Acolyte</i> Frank Farrell <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i> B Burton	
	
Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation <i>Bega</i> Saturday, 9.40 - 10am <i>Bemboka</i> before vigil Mass <i>Candelo</i> before vigil Mass <i>Tathra</i> 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 encourage to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)



4th Lent - Year B

10th March 2024

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
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St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
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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.

Lifted Up.

In the synoptic gospels there are three predictions of the passion of Jesus in which he outlines what is going to happen to him when he reaches Jerusalem. This, however, is not the case in John where the passion is prepared for in a completely different way. On three occasions Jesus speaks about himself being 'lifted up'. The Greek word behind this can mean a literal or physical lifting and also an exaltation, a being raised up or glorified. By means of this deliberate play on words the evangelist explains to us that the passion, for all its injustice and brutality, is a glorious revelation of God's love.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent



In this text we have the first prediction of Jesus' death and here the cross is explained as a saving, healing event. Jesus likens his being lifted up (on the cross) to the lifting up of the bronze serpent by Moses in the desert. This is a reference to the occasion when the Israelites had cried out to God to save them from poisonous snakes (Numbers 28). When they looked at the serpent Moses had fashioned from bronze they were healed. So too Jesus, raised up on the cross, is the sign of God's infinite love and the source of our healing.

In our day-to-day struggle just to get on with the business of living it is unlikely that we go around with the image of ourselves as 'God's work of art'. There are many forces at work both within us and outside us which tend to pull us down and to leave us with negative feelings about ourselves and those around us. By contrast, at the heart of the gospel message is the wonderful assertion that we are the handiwork of a God who does not make mistakes. This is the God who so loved the world that he gave his only Son not to bully us into obedience or to threaten us with hellfire but to bring us to life in its fullness. This is terrific news indeed, so let us take steps to ensure that other messages do not drown it out.

Sean Goan

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

St Joseph's Wyndham Final Mass. St Joseph's Wyndham is to be sold. Its final mass is on Tuesday 19th March 12noon, lunch will follow.

Help Needed! Help us with our Easter Commemorations by volunteering to have your feet washed at the Holy Thursday Mass. If you think this is for you, please see Fr Adrian. Thank you!

Online Lenten Resources.

✦ **ARCHBISHOP'S LENTEN LIGHTHOUSES.** Join Archbishop Christopher Prowse on a Lenten Retreat through his Sunday Homilies. "What have I done for Christ?", "What am I doing for Christ?", "What ought I do for Christ?" You can find the first and second lighthouse inputs on the Catholic Voice website or via the qr Code



✦ **New Pilgrim Path** is a not for profit website founded seven years ago in Ireland, inspired by Pope Francis' enthusiasm for the Internet as a force for good. We offer some rich online resources for Lent. <https://www.newpilgrimpath.ie/a-feast-for-lent.html>

A Current of Grace 20-22 May. Renewing Catholic Schools as Centres of Evangelisation Conference: a conference focused on renewing Catholic schools as centres of evangelisation, emphasising two high-impact strategies – Staff and Leader formation and student formation for peer-to-peer ministry More details at www.catholicvoice.org.au

Roundtables – Sacramental Initiation. 21st March. Join others from around the Archdiocese for a time of prayerful dialogue in the spirit of synodality on the realities and process of Sacramental Initiation in the life of our Church. REGISTER at cgevangalisation.org.au/roundtables. Online (Zoom) and In-Person (Haydon Hall)

Tribunal of the Catholic Church extends an invitation to any divorced person who would like to talk about the annulment process. For further information **6239 9813** or email tribunal@cg.org.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
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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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Marie Docherty (Fr Mick Burkes Sister) Eva Richards, Mavis Wheeler, Mark Dodds, Suzanne Cole

ANNIVERSARIES Denise Mulligan, Kath Edwards, Angus Collins, John Roberts

PRAYERS Marina Peric

Ember Days of Prayer and Penance. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has decided that the Australian Church should observe the first Fridays in Autumn & Spring each year as special days of prayer and penance.

- ✦ Ember days seek God's blessings of favourable weather & a fruitful harvest from the land, interceding in times of drought or flood and giving thanks for better times.
- ✦ There is a strong impulse on these days towards the justice of God's kingdom, with attention given to those peoples who are devastated by famine & exploitation.
- ✦ Ember days rightly focus on the environment, climate change, and our stewardship of the world's resources. Doing penance reminds us that sustainable use of our resources will cost us in our attitudes and lifestyles.

Project Compassion 2024 As the eldest child in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, Memory faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.

You can also donate on 1800 024 413 or caritas.org.au/project-compassion



Triduum Service Times 28th - 31st March

Thursday	28th	Mass of the Lords Supper	6pm	<i>Bega</i> , adoration until 9pm
Friday	29th	Stations of the Cross	10am	<i>Bemboka, Candelo, Tathra</i>
		Passion of the Lord & Veneration	3pm	<i>Bega</i>
Saturday	30th	Easter Vigil	6pm	<i>Bega</i>
		Easter Liturgy	6pm	<i>Bemboka</i>
Sunday	31st	Easter Sunday	7:45am	<i>Tathra</i>
			10am	<i>Candelo</i>

Stations of the Cross Lent

- Candelo* - Tues 6:30pm
- Good Friday 10am
- Tathra* - Good Friday 10am
- Bemboka* - Good Friday 10am



Wise Words:

Forgiveness isn't about accepting a wrong, it's a choice to let go of the weight of the wrong so as to live in freedom as a child of God.

- Bishop Barnes

