

**Entrance Antiphon** O sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders;  
in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

**Responsorial Psalm** I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.


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

**Communion Antiphon** I am the true vine and you are the branches says the Lord.  
Whoever remains in me, & I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia

5th Easter - Year B 2nd May 2021

# St. Patrick's Parish

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



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## Jesus' Love sets the Standard. FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Frequently in the gospel of John Jesus uses himself as a basis for comparison. He asserts in a variety of ways that just as he is or as he does so must his disciples be or do. For example, 'For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you'; 'Abide in me as I abide in you'; 'If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love'.

In these and other ways (e.g., 17:18, 21; 20:21), Jesus offers himself as a model for disciples to emulate. The idea of Jesus as a 'model' is exactly the meaning of the Greek word usually translated as 'good' in the story of 'The Good Shepherd.' In fact, Raymond Brown translates the traditional language this way: 'The Model Shepherd' (10:11). In John's gospel Jesus is not shy about using himself as a model for others - he sets the standard.



There is one behaviour disciples are to emulate above all others. Its importance is signalled by the fact that the command occurs twice, both during the course of the Last Supper: 'love one another as I have loved you'. This 'love' is not a matter of affection or emotion or positive regard for others. In this Sunday's gospel Jesus is very explicit: the greatest love is 'to lay down one's life for one's friends.' In the other passage where this command occurs, Jesus has just washed his disciples' feet as a demonstration of what 'love' means. To love as Jesus loves means to be centred on the other, to be a servant, even to the point of giving one's life for the other. The First Letter of John, whose author shares the same tradition as the Evangelist, states the matter most clearly: 'We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us and we ought to lay down our lives for one another'.

### ROSTERS - 8th/9th May 2021 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

<b>Bemboka Sat 6pm</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	
<i>Readers</i>	
<i>Gifts</i>	<i>on hold</i>
<i>Cleaners</i>	
<b>Candelo Sun 9:30am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	J Coman
<i>Readers</i>	Roxanne Hopkins
<i>Gifts</i>	<i>on hold</i>
<i>Cleaners - May</i>	Roxanne Hopkins
<b>Tathra Sun 7:45am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	Chris Adams
<i>Readers</i>	Carleen Maley
<i>Gifts</i>	<i>on hold</i>
<i>Cleaners</i>	Val Besant, Marg Roberts
<i>Audio-Visual</i>	Pat McRae
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Trish Sly, Eileen Reckord
<b>Bega Sun 9:30am</b>	
<i>Commentator</i>	St Pats Students Mothers day
<i>Readers</i>	St Pats students Mothers day
<i>Gifts</i>	<i>On hold</i>
<i>Music</i>	Matt Heffernan & Choir
<i>Acolyte</i>	Frank Farrell
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	D Koenigkamp, A Tarlinton C Tarlinton, U de Morsier.
<i>Nursing Home</i>	

**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 program 2021**

*Baptisms*—During Mass, 1 month notice  
*Confirmation*—TBA  
*Weddings*—by appoint, 6 months notice req.  
Please contact the Parish Office.

**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

**Wise Words:** Without charity external work is of no value, but anything done in charity, be it ever so small & trivial, is entirely fruitful inasmuch as God weighs the love with which a man acts rather than the deed itself.' - *Thomas a Kempis*



# abide in me

**STAY COVID-19 SAFE**

👤 Sign in: - QR code or sheet

👤 Keep social distance

👤 Sanitise hands

👤 Do **not** return bulletin -take home

# Confirmation Enrolment Weekends.

## Welcome to the Candidate & their Families

**Annual Marian Procession:** Recovery & Thanksgiving, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2pm  
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Wandello Road Cobargo

**Mother's Day Breakfast.** Our Men's Group have graciously (and courageously) offered to cook for the Mother's Day Breakfast for St Patrick's School. We are looking for men to Join us. Arrive at St Patrick's School Hall 7am Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Contact Sean McCambridge 0430 491 010 or [seanpam1@bigpond.com](mailto:seanpam1@bigpond.com)

**Masses for the sick & elderly.**  
✦ Wednesday 9am 5<sup>th</sup> May Tathra;  
✦ Friday 9:15am May 14<sup>th</sup> Bega;

✦ Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 6pm Bemboka;  
✦ Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 6pm Candelo. After these Masses the anointing of the sick will take place. The purpose of these masses is to offer Mass for the sick and to bring to mind those in our community in need of care

**Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal** - Thank you to all who have given to support our seminarians. Envelopes are still available at the Church entrance and returned in the 2nd Collection. You can also give at: [www.cgcatholic.org.au/goodshep](http://www.cgcatholic.org.au/goodshep)

**Aid to the Church in Need Australia:** ACN distributes over one million Bibles and religious books thanks to the help of our benefactors every year. Often in poor countries, the Children's Bible is the first book that children receive in their own language and frequently, it is the only picture book that they will ever hold. Visit [www.aidtochurch.org/bibles](http://www.aidtochurch.org/bibles)

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2021

**Parent information night:**  
Wednesday 21st April, 6pm  
St Patrick's Church

**Enrolment Mass:**  
Across all Parish Masses over the weekends of 1st-2nd May & 8th-9th May

**Family Mass & Formation:**  
Sunday 23rd May & 6th June,  
4:30-6pm St Patrick's Church

**Retreat Day:**  
Tuesday 15th June, Pambula Surf Club, bus from Bega

**Confirmation Mass:**  
Thursday 17th June, 6pm  
St Patricks Church

**Thanksgiving Mass**  
Sunday 20th June, 9:30am  
St Patricks Church

Enrolment Link:  
<https://forms.gle/KYgUzB7p7NhRpP4y5>



### 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** Cindy Peterson

**ANNIVERSARIES** Ron Russell, Paul Coman; John Platts

**Feast Days this Week**

**2<sup>nd</sup> - St Athanasius**, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, 295-373. Venerated as the "Father of Orthodoxy" for championing the true and equal divinity of the incarnate Son of God.

**3<sup>rd</sup> - St Philip & St James**, Apostles, two of the twelve called by Jesus. *Philip*, is recorded in the Fourth Gospel as recognising in Jesus the one foretold by Moses and the prophets and as introducing Gentiles to the Lord. *James*, known as James the Less. Venerated traditionally as the author of the letter of James and as leader of the Church in Jerusalem, where he died in the year 62.

Dear Parishioners

**Plenary Council:** The our Coastal (Eastern) Deanery will gather via Zoom *this Tuesday* 10am 4<sup>th</sup> May. Meeting together with the Bishop, we will present our thoughts on 'Continuing the Journey' the working document on the Plenary Council. Please visit [cgcatholic.org.au/plenary](http://cgcatholic.org.au/plenary) to down the working document and register for the Zoom Meeting.

**Housing Crisis in our Parish.** We are undergoing a housing crisis in our area. High rents have some families living in hotel rooms. Can anything be done about this? Perhaps a parishioner based Bursary to support school families? Perhaps land could be developed? Perhaps a network of willing Billeterers? I am aware of talks beginning with our Local Members about the crisis- does our parish have some way to help? Let us meet Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 430pm Bega Church to discuss.

*Peace, Fr. Luke*

**National Count of Attendance.** The Australian Bishops Conference will conduct its National Count of Attendance over the first 4 weekends in May starting on 1 May 2021. It is intended that the count will be conducted in all parishes and other Mass centres. It will be a simple headcount with no other information about attendees being collected. This year, parishes are also asked to provide estimates of the age & sex of the attendees. *Thank you for your patience over the next four weeks.*

