

Entrance Antiphon O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

Responsorial Psalm the Lord is kind and merciful.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
I will give you a new commandment:
Love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O most High.

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

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

Candelo Sun 9:30am
Commentator Ann Haehes
Readers R Coman
Gifts
Cleaners - Feb Sharon & David Heffernan

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Neil Walker
Readers Claire Walker
Gifts
Cleaners D'Arcy Family
Audio-Visual Paul Gardiner
Eucharistic Ministers Eileen Reckord, M Hergenhan

Bega Sun 9:30am
Commentator Tomlinson family
Readers Maureen Scott, R Burgess
Gifts
Music On Hold
Acolyte David Grainger
Eucharistic Ministers K Rix, D Koenigkamp, F Farrell, B Burton

Wise Words: A Tree is known by its fruit; a man by his deeds. A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. - *St Basil*



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

Compassion



7th Ordinary - Year C

20th February 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*

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Moral Life Flows from the Beatitudes *7th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

There is a connection between last Sunday's Beatitudes and this Sunday's moral teachings. The last of the Beatitudes had pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man'. This Sunday's passage begins by prescribing a disciple's response to such abuse: 'love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you'. The two passages are similarly structured and the verbs are perfectly paired: hate/love, exclude/do good, insult/bless, denounce/pray. Clearly such an extraordinary response



to abuse is possible only because disciples are blessed: their strength for good comes from God.

The passage continues with four specific examples of a disciple's response to maltreatment from enemies. Then Luke summarises the teaching to this point by the 'Golden Rule': 'Do to others as you

would have them do to you'. Matthew, too, has this saying in his Sermon on the Mount but later and in a different collection of sayings. Luke's insertion of the saying here strengthens the impact and sharpens the demand: in context, 'the others' whom disciples are to treat kindly are enemies and persecutors!

After three questions about conduct toward one's enemies, the benefits of discipleship are declared. First, disciples will receive a great reward; moreover, they will be children of God. As Luke explains, God loves the ungrateful and the wicked (this is why Jesus came!); similarly, God's children should do as their 'Father'. The implication is clear: in this sermon instructing disciples, the comparison between Father and children parallels the relationship between Master and disciples. In both cases the values of the greater (Father, Master) are the moral norms of the lesser (children, disciples). Ultimately, the Golden Rule is surpassed: more than doing as you would have done, disciples are to do as God would do - 'Be merciful as God is merciful'. Disciples have been blessed with mercy so they are to act with mercy. Moral life flows from blessing.

STAY COVID-19 SAFE

👐 Wear a mask

👐 Keep social distance if possible

👐 Sign in: - QR code or sheet

👐 Sanitise hands

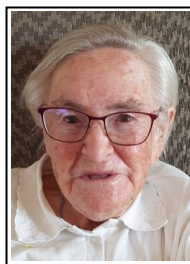
One Day Lenten Retreat by Fr Roni George VC & Fr Joby George VC - 12th March 9:30-4:30, at St Benedict's Catholic Church, Narrabundah. Admission is FREE, BYO lunch. Boxed lunch available at nominal cost, RSVP by 9th March to p1.rebello@gmail.com. Enquiries: Parveen: 0439642571; Winnie: 0451015527; Prakash 0406381446

Aid to the Church in Need Australia: In many places throughout the world there is a shortage of priests and therefore religious sisters are the custodians of the faith. These sisters however often struggle to live and support the faithful, so across the course of a year ACN supports more than 18,000 religious sisters in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe & Latin America. Could you help support a religious sister? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/sisters

Catholic Mission Appeal: Supporting religious sisters in developing countries in their work with women and children. You can learn more by going online to catholicmission.org.au/faith, or calling our friendly team on 1800 257 296.

✦ **Ash Wednesday Masses** ✦
Wednesday 2nd March

Tathra	9am Mass
Bega	TBA
Candelo	TBA
Bemboka	TBA



Prayer Service for
Lorna Ringland
Fri 18th February
12 noon
St Patrick's

2022 Sacramental Programme - Children in year 3 and above are invited to enroll for the sacraments of Reconciliation, March & Eucharist, September. Please enroll by the 25th February - <https://forms.gle/gYR63DPdTyTbm3LA>

More information:
contact the office or
parish website

First Reconciliation 2022



- ✦ **Parents Virtual Formation**
Link to be emailed
- ✦ **Enrolment Mass** Sunday 27th
Feb 9:30am St Patrick's Church.
- ✦ **Candidate Family Masses** Sun
13th March 5pm St Patrick's
- ✦ **First Reconciliation** 30th & 31st
March, St Patrick's Church.
- ✦ **Thanksgiving Mass** 3rd April,
9:30am St Patrick's

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 Peter Chowne (Taree) Fr Henry Byrne, Ian McDonald, Fr Laurie Blake, John Verrell, John Torpey, Sr Janet Mead

ANNIVERSARIES Denis Kelly, Margaret & Peter Philipzen, John Roberts,

PRAYERS Anne Smith & her children Henry & Malory (Sue Gardiner's Daughter).
Jenny Ryan and June O'Farrell - Ill health.
Stephen Goward - Cancer

Feasts Days **21st - St Peter Damian**, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, 1007-1072. Appointed cardinal-bishop of Ostia and became a diplomat and ecclesiastical statesman. Remembered as a scholarly reformer possessing a deeply ascetical spirituality.
22nd - The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle. This feast, observed in Rome since the fourth century, celebrates Peter, first among the apostles, as founder of the See of Rome and the focus of unity in the communion of one faith.
23rd - St Polycarp, Bishop 7 Martyr, ca.69-155. Remembered because of the account of his martyrdom for his fearless acknowledgment of Christ, and honoured as one of the apostolic fathers of the Church.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS: People around the world have been participating in an international conversation about the Catholic Church. You are invited to join the discussion, helping shape a major global meeting in 2023. You have one more week to make a submission to your local consultation for the international Synod on Synodality, calling the People of God to walk together in our mission as Christians. Find out more at: <https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Welcome Fr Alex

Join us after Mass.

Candelo - Saturday 19th - please bring Finger food, slice etc

Tathra - Sunday 20th - Breakfast.



Prayer for the Synod

As we embrace this Synodal Process, this prayer invites the Holy Spirit to be at work in us so that we may be a community and a people of grace.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.

Amen.