

Entrance Antiphon

A great sign appeared in heaven:
a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet,
and on her head a crown of stars.

Responsorial Psalm

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Mary is taken up to heaven,
and the angels of God shout for joy.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon All generations will call me blessed,
for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

ROSTERS - 21st/22nd August 2021

Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator G Green
Readers G Berman
Gifts on hold
Cleaners green

Candelo Sat 6pm

Commentator Ann Hahey
Readers R Coman
Gifts on hold
Cleaners - Aug Ann Hyam; D&K Dodds

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Kate D'Arcy
Readers Peter D'Arcy
Gifts on hold
Cleaners Megan Hergenhan
Audio-Visual Vicki Kennaugh
Eucharistic Ministers Pat Platts, Pat McRae

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator Tomlinson Family
Readers K Jennings, M O'Neill
Gifts On hold
Music
Acolyte Chris Adams
Eucharistic Ministers M Twyford, J Taylor
B Tygh, C Tarlinton
Nursing Home

Wise Words:

As mariners are
guided onto port by
the shining of a
star, so Christians
are guided to
heaven by Mary
- *St Thomas Aquinas*

**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

**MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays**

St Patrick's Church.
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

St Patrick's Sacramental programme 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

Disciple



The Assumption - Year B

15th August 2021

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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Mary Model Disciple

The Feast of the Assumption always
holds a special place in my heart. It
takes me back to the time when I

was on a boat, adrift on the vast Pacific Ocean and at the mercy of the elements.
We had started out on the Feast of St Clare and on the eve of the Assumption, we
were in serious trouble. Food had run out, water had run out and fuel had run out.
As if that wasn't enough, a huge storm gathered and unleashed its fury right near
where we were. In desperation, we got out our rosaries and began to pray in earnest. I am sure
nobody could physically hear us for the pounding of the waves, the rain and the thunder. Yet
somehow, we survived the ordeal and the day after, we were rescued
from our sinking boat, just in time.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



We honour Mary assumed into glory at the end of her earthly pilgrimage.
The Church believes that she enjoys this special favour because she lived
her life in tandem with her son. Mary is exalted not only because of her
privilege of biological motherhood but also because – as Jesus said – she
has listened to His Word and lived by it.

Therefore, this celebration reminds us of the fundamental Christian belief
that the pathway to God and to sanctity is our faithfulness to the Gospel.
Mary is glorified because she has followed the footsteps of her Son in

giving her life in service of others. She certainly did not hold back in fear; she did not stay in
her comfortable environment. Rather, it was a constant journey into the unknown, a
courageous confrontation with life's many uncertainties. The flight into Egypt, the years of
living in exile, the constant uprooting and replanting, the journey to Jerusalem, the agony at
the foot of the cross.... Mary knew the rough & tumble of motherhood & more.

The Magnificat is Mary's song of praise to God. It is also a window into her life of faithful
and courageous discipleship. Mary was anything but a fearful, withdrawn, uncommitted,
indifferent person. The God she served was one who filled the poor with good things and sent
the rich empty away. In other words, Mary was committed to justice, compassion,
to raising up the fallen, loving the unloved and advocating for the defenceless. Just
as in the life of her son, we too witness the passion for the Kingdom in hers.

*Continue
inside*

STAY COVID-19 SAFE

- Wear Mask
- Sanitise hands
- Sign in: - QR code or sheet
- No Singing
- Do **not** return bulletin -take home
- Communion in the hand only
- Keep social distance - 4m²

Changes to Parish Office Times: The office will be closed on Thursday 18th - 11am-12noon for training. New Bulletin deadline for next week only - Thursday 9:30am . *Thanks Tanya.*



St Vincent de Paul Society Spring Fashion Parade. 11th September at the Bega Country Club. Doors open at 5.00pm parade starting at 6.30pm. Tickets are \$20 are available at Vinnies Store Bega.

Future of Catholicism in Australia - 26th August 7:30pm. Australian Catholic Coalition for Church Reform extends an invitation to a 2nd online convocation, *Outcomes & Actions for the Plenary Council*. Opened by Dr Miriam Rose Ungunmerr Baumann (Senior Australian of the Year 2021). Speakers: Jesse Rogers, Debra Zanella, Robert Fitzgerald, John Warhurst. Register at accr.com.au

Vocations Discernment: there are 2 events in the archdiocese for those who are considering a vocation. ♦ *Follow - Thursday 19 August*. An enquiry night for any young men who may be wanting to find out about the vocation to priesthood; and ♦ *Vocations Discernment Weekend - Friday 24 Sept. – Sunday 26 Sept.* An extended discernment opportunity involving a retreat at Galong. For more information please contact paul.nulley@cg.org.au

Aid to the Church in Need Australia: Please consider leaving an eternal legacy. By remembering ACN in your will you leave a lasting legacy of faith, hope and love. Your offering assists us to keep the light of faith shining brightly in a world which cries out for the peace that only Christ can offer. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/legacies

Lord Have Mercy - A National Day of Prayer for the current COVID-19 crisis. Sunday 22nd August. We are drawn to pray together across the land. We encourage you to pray in your own church and in your own way at this time. To facilitate a national prayer focus, the following opportunities are offered:
 ♦ Every day from Mon 16th - Sun 22nd - a Daily Devotion will be sent out to those who register.
 ♦ Every night from 8PM AEST, Mon 16th - Sun 22nd , a nightly Prayer Call will take place with input from a different church leader each night.
 ♦ On Sunday 22 August from 9AM – 9PM, the National Day of Prayer & Fasting team will host a Zoom Prayer call featuring Church leaders and Indigenous Christian Leaders. Come for a short while or come for a long while.
 For more information & to register: <http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au/>

<u>Sunday Mass Times</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>
➤ <u>Bemboka</u> - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil	➤ Tuesday 5.30pm Bega Church
➤ <u>Candelo</u> - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th - Sundays - 9:30am liturgy 2nd, 4th	➤ Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
➤ <u>Tathra</u> - Sundays - 7.45am Mass	➤ Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
➤ <u>Bega</u> - Sundays - 9.30am Mass	➤ <i>Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 11am</i>
	➤ Friday 9.15am Bega Church 4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
	➤ Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

RECENTLY DECEASED Sr Marie Jeanne Graham rsj, Tracy (Hay) Cannon, Jean Sheedy, Yvonne Sixsmith, Juanita (Collins) Bamford

ANNIVERSARIES Noa Jessop, Tyler Finucane, Barney Heffernan, Anne Farrell, John Daly, Barney & Nora Sheehan, Lizzie Coman, Eunice Tarlinton

Feast Days this Week

15th - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
16th - St Stephen of Hungary, 975-1038. Remembered for making Christianity the religion of the nation & for his justice to the oppressed and charity for the poor.
19th - St John Eudes, Priest, 1601-1680. Remembered also for his promotion of devotion to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.
20th - St Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church, 1090-1153. Remembered as the most influential church-man of his age, for his inspirational leadership, and for his devotion to the humanity of Christ and to the Blessed Virgin.
21st - St Pius X, Pope - Giuseppe Sarto 1835-1914, Elected Pope 1903. Remembered for his poverty and for his promotion of liturgical participation, especially of frequent communion, to which he admitted young children.

Front page Cont. Mary acted in solidarity with the afflicted. Thus for example, at the Wedding of Cana, it was Mary who refused to be the neutral bystander. She showed us an example of advocating on behalf of others. She accompanied people in crisis. She stood up and spoke the word of hope for them. Her attitude of deep empathy was different to the fearful reaction of the disciples. We are reminded of the story of Jesus feeding the multitude in the desert. There the disciples wanted to send the people away. They acted in fear and showed lack of faith. By contrast, Mary engaged the people and pleaded with Jesus on their behalf. She accompanied people in crisis and channelled the energy, love and hope of God to them. As Christians we cannot remain neutral bystanders in the tragedies that unfold before us. We cannot excuse ourselves from the duty of accompanying people in crisis and channelling the energy, love and hope of God to them. It is integral to being a Christian to speak and act on behalf of those considered dispensable and even disposable by our society. Therefore whether it is the unborn, the vulnerable, the refugee et cetera, we are called to follow the example of Mary in protecting, safeguarding and enabling every human life to achieve its full potential.



Brothers and sisters, Today's celebration fills us with hope because it anticipates the final victory of God over evil, violence and death. In the power of the life, death and resurrection of Christ, we partake of God's love, which is stronger than death. As we gather to honour the Assumption of Mary today, we give thanks for her maternal care and protection. Mary has cared and protected us in our journeys of life, through all changes and upheavals. Mary, who acts in solidarity with those who are in every kind of need. Therefore, we cannot simply honour her without following her example of care and protection for others.

May Mary then help us to be carers and protectors of those who have been entrusted to us. May she also guide us in our Christian discipleship as we seek to be salt to the earth and light for the world.

Most Rev. Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD STL Bishop of Parramatta 2019