

Entrance Antiphon I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
 You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
 Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia

Responsorial Psalm This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
 Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
 let us feast with joy in the Lord.
 Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with unleavened bread of purity & truth, alleluia, alleluia

ROSTERS - 26th/27th April 2025
 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator H Woollett
Readers G Berman
Cleaners Green

Candelo Sun 9:30am
Commentator R Heffernan
Readers K Dodds
Cleaners - April Sharon & Michael Heffernan

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Raewyn Galton
Readers Michael Hergenhan
Cleaners Oakley Family
Audio-Visual Paul Gardiner
Eucharistic Ministers Trish Sly, Carleen Maley

Bega Sat 6pm
Commentator Mel Ferris
Readers Maureen Scott
Gifts Volunteer
Counters Tomlinson & Farrell
Music Matt Heffernan
Acolyte Sean McCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers Kathy Rix

For Sale: Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or place your order in a marked envelope in the 2nd collection.

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 encouraged to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)

St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15—6pm
 Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 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 - all are welcome.
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
Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Confirmation 2025—8th June 2025
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req.
 Please contact the Parish Office.

Syro-Malabar Mass 4th Wed of the Month
 5pm Bega. Contact Lijoy 0469 341 965
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Easter Sunday - Year C

St. Patrick's Parish

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


20th April 2025

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Fr. Adrian Chan. Parish Priest.
 Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.
 Hrs 9-2 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
 Safeguarding, Mrs. Emma Grant, Bega.Safeguarding@cg.org.au
 St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500
 Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888

We acknowledge the Djirringanj 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 & respect their continuing culture & the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

Beloved Disciple



This account of the first Easter Sunday morning is significant in that it highlights how each of us as believers must come to terms with the mystery of the resurrection. Mary reports to Peter and the beloved disciple that the tomb is empty. They in turn run to investigate and, while the disciple reaches the tomb first, he holds back in deference to Peter, the leader of the twelve. It is only when the beloved disciple enters the tomb that we are told an appropriate response to the event -'he saw and he believed'. The beloved disciple is unnamed but in John's gospel he is present and close to Jesus at all the key moments: the last supper, Calvary and now the tomb. In a sense he symbolises where all true believers should be, for each of us is called to be a beloved disciple who accompanies Jesus on his way: *'Where I am there also my servant will be' Jn 12:26.*



Easter is what makes us Christians. The life of Jesus is not put before us merely as a good example of someone who was true to his beliefs. Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life and it is Easter that demonstrates this. In Jesus God has taken on our life and transformed it. Through baptism we share in the very life of the crucified and risen Christ and so we are made new. It may be that at times we are like Peter, who on reaching the tomb just looks in and wonders, but there comes a point when we are asked to take the risk of faith of seeing and believing that God could indeed love us this much. *Sean Goan.*



We Welcome into our Parish Family:

Mitchell Collins

Baptised in the name of the Father, & the Son & the Holy Spirit



ANZAC MASS St Patrick's Bega 9:15am, Friday 25th April

Parish Assembly 18 May after Bega Mass. Conversation with the Holy Spirit. This is a continuation of the conversation with the Holy Spirit series we did last year. - Fr Adrian.

RCIA: if you are interested in becoming a Catholic please contact Father Adrian at Adrian.chan@cg.org.au

School Holiday Office Hours. The Parish office will be closed on the 22nd & 24th April. Thank you.

Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Novena commences on Good Friday and concludes on the 2nd Sunday of Easter. St Joseph's Merimbula is holding a Divine Mercy Service on Sunday 27th April at 3pm. Confessions from 2:30. All are welcome

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. If you would still like to contribute envelopes marked 'Good Friday' can be placed into the 2nd collection until 27th April. Thank you for your generosity.

NSW Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill 2025 is before the NSW Parliament. This Bill is deeply problematic on several fronts. A draft letter you could use to write to your local Member has been posted on the website & sent with the bulletin email.

Planning to marry in the Catholic Church? Go to the Archdiocesan marriage and family webpage (without delay) for information and to choose a marriage preparation program that suits at www.marriagefamily.org.au. Enquiries email marriage.preparation@cg.org.au or text Helena on 0405 440 463.

Wise Words:
I will not fear. For You are ever with me, and You will never leave me to face my perils alone.
- Thomas Merton

You're Invited - after mass
✠ *Tathra* - Breakfast 2nd Sunday of the Month
✠ *Bega* - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month
All Welcome. Please bring a friend.

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation
Bega Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
Bemboka before vigil Mass
Candelo before vigil Mass
Tathra before Sunday Mass

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
Email: Adrian.Chan@cg.org.au

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 Chapel
➤ Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
➤ Thursday 9.15am Bega Chapel
➤ *Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 3pm*
➤ Friday 9.15am Bega Chapel
4:30-5:30pm Bega '*Holy Hour of Mercy*'
➤ Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

RECENTLY DECEASED: Una Lehmann, Melanie Nast, Kath Jennings
ANNIVERSARIES Graeme Elliot, John Roberts, Denise Mulligan

Feasts Days
21st - **St Anselm**, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 1033-1109. As archbishop of Canterbury, his bitter disputes with the king resulted in his being exiled twice.
23rd - **St Adalbert**, Bishop & Martyr 956-997. Devoted himself to missionary work among the Prussians on the Polish coast, where he was martyred.
23rd - **St George**, Martyr died 303. During the crusades, George was seen to personify the ideals of Christian chivalry, and he was adopted as patron of several city-states and countries
24th - **St Fidelis of Sigmaringen**, Priest & Martyr 1578-1622. Remembered for his care of the sick and for his preaching, especially among Protestants in Switzerland, where he was martyred
25th - **ANZAC day**
26th - **St Mark, Evangelist**. Honoured as the founder of the Church in Alexandria.



Caritas Australia would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your incredible support of Project Compassion this Lent. Together, we are creating a better tomorrow, helping vulnerable communities build stronger futures for themselves and empowering them to break free from the cycle of poverty
Thank you for standing with us!
Donate via boxes, envelopes, 1800 024 413 or caritas.org.au/project-compassion



Minute Meditations - God Works through Us, Not for Us
There is nothing wrong with asking for something in prayer, as this names for God the desires of our hearts. But sometimes in a culture that is so focused on results, this can also bleed into our prayer lives, leading us to treat God like a genie.
Let yourself pray without asking God for "something that I want." As the Father told Jesus in John 17:10: "Everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine." Might this also be true of us, whom Christ lives within?
- from "*Let Us Pray: Presence and Surrender*" by Stephen Copeland.

The Jubilee Prayer
Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

