

Entrance Antiphon I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

Responsorial Psalm The waters of the river gladden the city of God

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, That my name may remain in it for all time.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Be built up like living stones, into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood

ROSTERS - 15th/16th November 2025
Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm	
Commentator	H Allen
Readers	R Allen
Cleaners	

Candelo Sat 6pm	
Commentator	R Heffernan
Readers	K Dodds
Cleaners - Nov	Ann & Peter Hahey

Tathra Sun 7:45am	
Commentator	Claire Walker
Readers	Carleen Maley
Cleaners	Betty O'Brien, Paul Gardiner
Audio-Visual	Paul Gardiner
Eucharistic Ministers	Jacintia Battista, Pat Platts

Bega Sun 9:30am	
Commentator	Mel Ferris
Readers	M Scott
Gifts	Volunteer
Music	Matt Heffernan
Acolyte	David Grainger
Eucharistic Ministers	K Rix, D Koenigkamp

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 - 7:15am 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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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)



Lateran Basilica - Year C

9th November 2025

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 *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
Safeguarding, Mrs. Emma Grant, Bega.Safeguarding@cg.org.au
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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.

God's Church

The Basilica of Saint John Lateran in Rome is the Cathedral church of the Pope in his role as Bishop of the Diocese of Rome. It is called 'Saint John' after the two monasteries once attached, dedicated to Saint John the apostle and Saint John the Baptist. As the Cathedral Church of the Pope it has the title 'Mother and Head of all the churches of the City and of the World'. It is sometimes called the Lateran Basilica or the Basilica of Saint John Lateran. The 'Laterani' were an old Roman family who probably once owned the land on which the Emperor Constantine, the first Christian Emperor, built this Basilica in the early decades of the fourth century. The present Basilica retains the plan given to it by Constantine but it has been rebuilt and restored over the centuries.



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA



It is one of the most important religious buildings in the Catholic Church. The most important religious building in the time of Jesus and the early church was the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem. In the words of today's responsorial psalm, it was 'the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within, it cannot be shaken'. At a time when this Temple was still standing in all its glory, Paul, writing to the church in Corinth, makes the extraordinary statement in today's second reading, 'Don't you realize that you are God's Temple and that the Spirit of God is living among you?' Paul is declaring that the Most High now dwells in the community of believers who gather around the risen Lord.

The focal point of God's presence is no longer a building, no matter how magnificent, but the community of those who have responded in faith to the preaching of the gospel of Christ crucified and risen. Paul declares that the foundation of this building is the one he has laid, namely, Jesus Christ. If someone came along and tried to replace that foundation with another, the church would no longer be the focal point of God's presence in the world. In today's gospel reading from John, which was written perhaps thirty years after the Jewish Temple was destroyed by the Romans, Jesus speaks of himself as the temple of God, the focal point of God's presence. The Word who was God became flesh in Jesus; to see Jesus is to see God the Father. The risen Lord is the primary temple of God and the church can only be God's temple if the risen Lord remains its foundation. As individual believers, we can only mediate God's presence to our world to the extent that we allow his Son, our risen Lord, to live out his life in and through us.

Fr Martin Hogan

November Masses for the Deceased: Mass Intention Envelopes are available at the entrance and can be placed in the collection. The names are added to the November List, updated each week, the list is placed on each altar for all of November.

An Afternoon of Taizé Sunday 16th November 2pm Star of the Sea Tathra. An Ecumenical contemplative prayer service - music, scripture, meditation, reflection. Focusing on furthering peace and leading towards reconciliation, healing & unity. For more information see the parish website.

Wesley LifeForce Suicide Memorial Service: 24th November, 6-7pm, Members Dining Room 1, Old Parliament House. If you've been impacted by the loss of a loved one to suicide, join a community who share the experience of bereavement. Counsellors will be present to offer support. Attendees are welcome to bring a photo and share a personal tribute on our memorial wall.



Have you ever attended a Marriage Encounter (ME) Weekend? If 'YES' then we'd love to hear from you. We're Maria and Andre and have recently moved to the Sapphire Coast (Tura Beach). We are looking to meet up with couples and religious who have attended a ME Weekend with a view to meeting once a month to 'Dialogue' and enrich our Sacraments of Marriage and Holy Orders. If you haven't done a ME

Weekend and would like more information feel free to call too. Mob: 0411 225 992 www.wwme.org.au



Behold & Resound Workshop: Sat 6th December Moruya Parish 10-3:30. A parish liturgy & music workshop. Come and experience a day of faith, beauty and renewal. Discover how the liturgy of the church and music can draw you closer to Christ and deepen your life of prayer. Free of charge, light lunch provided. Register: by 1st December at <https://www.cgevangalisation.org.au/bar>. For more information see the poster at the entrance.

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

<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

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: Michael Caragher

ANNIVERSARIES Ethna Farrell, Pat Trigurtha, Jack & Marie McNamara

PRAYERS Rachel Healey

Feasts Days

9th - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

10th - St Leo the Great, Pope (440-461) & Doctor of the Church. Tried to protect the city from the devastation of barbarian invasion. His surviving letters illustrate the leadership & guidance he exercised as bishop of Rome toward other Churches in the West.

11th - St Martin of Tours, Bishop 316-397. A catechumen who was in conscience unable to continue with military service. Baptised at the age of eighteen, for a time became a hermit, and then worked to establish monasticism in the West.

12th - St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr 1580-1623. Worked strenuously to uphold and spread the Union of Brest-Litovsk by which Churches of the province of Kiev, with their Byzantine liturgy and customs, had entered into communion with Rome.

15th - St Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 1200-1280. The "Universal Doctor" was a Dominican friar and teacher, most notably in Paris and in Cologne where St Thomas Aquinas was his pupil.

Bulletin Email - due to IT issues the weekly bulletin email is currently not working. The bulletin is available on the parish website from 2pm Thursdays.



Minute Meditations - *Promise of the Promised Land*

It wasn't until God's people utilized the lesson from the desert that they made Jericho's walls fall to the ground. It wasn't until the apostles entered the upper room that the Holy Spirit fell upon them. And it could be that your period of desolation will ultimately strengthen you spiritually. Your prayers will fall to earth with a force more resounding than the crumbling of Jericho's walls, beginning the storming of the gates of heaven by a multitude greater than the population of Israel or the first converts on Pentecost.

All this is to say: God could be using desolation in your spiritual life to prepare you for something great on earth, but we know for sure that his ultimate plan is to use it as a means to bring us to heaven.

- From St. Anthony Messenger's "Your Prayer Life: Looking at the Big Picture" by Martin J.P. Gianotti.



Spirituality of Synodality

Forgive and Be Forgiven.

A synodal Church is built on forgiveness. We are called to forgive one another and also to ask forgiveness when we fall short. Mercy strengthens our community.

Reflection: Who do I need to forgive, and where do I need to seek forgiveness?

Prayer: Lord, teach me to forgive as You forgive me.

Wise Words:

Stop looking for the perfect church. It does not exist. Even if it did exist, the moment you or I joined it, it would no longer be perfect.

- Nicky Gumbel