

Responsorial Psalm. Praise the Lord, my soul!
Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.
 Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

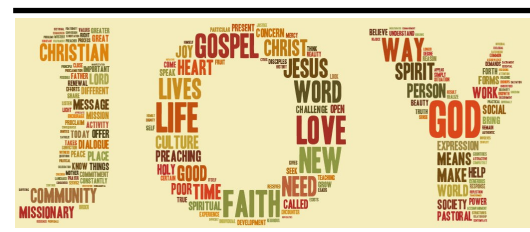
ROSTERS - 15th/16th September
 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

BEMBOKA SAT 6PM
Commentator J Guthrie
Readers M Guthrie
Gifts
Cleaners Allen

CANDELO SAT 6PM
Commentator L. Thompson
Readers K Wels
Gifts Michael Heffernan Family
Cleaners - Sept Patricia O'Callaghan

TATHRA SUN 7:45AM
Commentator P at McRae
Readers Jacinta Battista
Gifts Val Besant & Marg Roberts
Cleaners Val Besant & Marg Roberts
Wardens Les Maley, Michael Doig
Audio-Visual Trish Sly
Eucharistic Ministers M Taylor, Mary Tupper

BEGA SUN 9:30
Commentator J Lott
Readers M Johnston, M Scott
Gifts Tomlinson Family
Counters C Murphy & T D'Arcy
Music Matt Heffernan & Choir
Acolyte Sean McCambridge
Eucharistic Ministers B Tygh, E Collins, C Sullivan, U de Morsier
Nursing Home M Rhenberger



WISE WORDS: You will know your vocation by the joy that it brings you.
 - Dorothy Day

BENEDICTION.
Bega - 1st Sun. of the Month after 9:30 Mass
Tathra - 1st Wednesday after 9am Mass

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation
Bega Saturday, 9.30 - 10.00am
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: fortnightly on **Thursdays**
 Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

ST PATRICK'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2018

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
First Reconciliation—7th November
First Eucharist—31st May
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

23rd Sunday —Year B
9th September 2018



St. Patrick's Parish

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

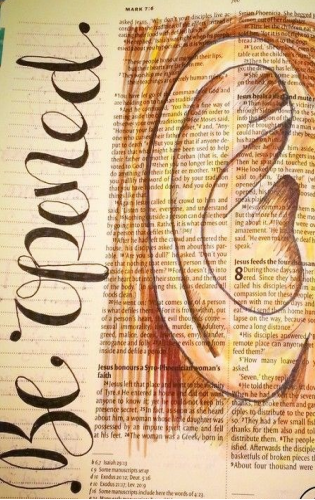
Fr. Luke Verrell. Parish Priest.
 Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.
 Hrs 9-3 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*
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 Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Steve Centra 6495 8888

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MISSION TO THE GENTILES **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

This Sunday's gospel continues last week's theme of Jesus' outreach to the excluded - last week it was the unclean, now it is the Gentiles.

In this gospel Jesus travels through Gentile territories, specifically, into Lebanon (Tyre & Sidon) and afterwards into the district of the Decapolis (Greek for '10 cities'). Though these areas are quite distant from one another - Sidon is 20 miles north of Tyre and almost 50 miles northwest of the Sea of Galilee, while the Decapolis is to the southeast of the Sea of Galilee - they are all Gentile districts.



Travel into Gentile territory is a technique Mark uses to include Gentiles in Jesus' mission. In 4:35-8:21 Jesus frequently crosses the Sea of Galilee. West and south of the sea is predominantly Jewish territory where he spends most of his time, while east and north is predominantly Gentile territory. The kinds of miracles Jesus performs on the west (Jewish) side of the sea are repeated on the east (Gentile) side. The most dramatic example is the two miraculous feedings. On the Jewish side, Jesus feeds 5000 people with five loaves (we read John's account this year) and on the east side Jesus feeds a crowd of 4000 with seven loaves (the Lectionary omits this story). It used to be thought that Mark simply included two different versions of the same event in his gospel; but scholars now suggest that

Mark shows Jesus doing similar things on both sides of the Sea to indicate that the Kingdom of God includes both Jews and Gentiles. And, if this is the case, then the mission of the Church should continue Jesus' outreach to Gentiles.

This Gentile theme is continued in the reading from Isaiah. The reading is chosen primarily to correlate with the gospel because both readings describe the healing of the deaf and the mute. But there is more: the opening of Isaiah 35 makes reference to Lebanon, Sharon, and Carmel (35:2), all on the northwest coast where Tyre and Sidon of this Sunday's gospel are located. In both readings, expansive geography suggests far-reaching salvation.



We Welcome into our Parish Family:
Mackenzie Lois Cuthbert
 Baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY 9th September 2018. Today we pray for the safety of all children and for the Grace of God for all who have suffered as children.



PLEASE HELP—RED CROSS TEA ROOMS. Janette is in urgent need of a helper for Tuesday 18th September. Please contact the school office on 6492 5500 if you are available. Donations of cake, slice or biscuits can be left at the office.

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL - Annual collection for retired priests. Donations can still be left in the 2nd collection.



ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL OF ROCK DANCE CONCERT. Thursday 27th September. St Patrick's School Hall. Two performances: 12pm Free Matinee & 7pm tickets \$5 from school office.

2018 MARIAN PROCESSION 14th October St Clements, Galong. Mass start at 11.30am. BYO food, or purchase at the sausage sizzle.

www.marianprocession.org.au

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE. In this Year Youth in the Archdiocese, the Youth Pilgrimage seeks to bring young people into the heart of the Marian Procession, give them an opportunity for formation through pilgrimage and build a sense of fellowship and community. For more information visit:

www.cgyouthministry.org.au/pilgrimage/



God's Word 2019

Please use the sheet at the church entrance to order your copy. Still \$15.

2019 Columban Art Calendars

Now available. \$9. Please place your money in the marked envelope & place in the 2nd collection.

God of the humble, you came among us as an infant, showing us your presence in the weak, the small and the needy.

Help us to follow you into the smallest places of our lives, that we might find life in the most unexpected places.

Amen

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

- Bemboka - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil
- Candelo - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th
- Sundays - 9:30am Mass 2nd, 4th
- Tathra - Sundays - 7.45am Mass
- Bega - Sundays - 9.30am Mass

WEEKDAYS

- Tuesday 5.30pm Bega
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra, 5.30pm Bega.
- Thursday 9.15am Bega
- 3rd Thurs. 11.00am Hillgrove House
- Friday 9.15am Bega
4:30-5:30pm Bega 'Holy Hour of Mercy'
- Saturday 9.15am Bega

RECENTLY DECEASED Sr Gabriel Anne Cuzner ocdm

ANNIVERSARIES Johnnie Roberts. Patrick O'Callaghan, Bernard J Collins, Therese Eadie, Patsy & Eric Hart, Noa Jessop

PLEASE PRAY FOR Owen Whitby's continued recovery.

Those affected by the flooding & landslides in Kerala, India. Home of Fr James Anthony.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

12TH - THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY. The commemoration began in Spain in 1513. The feast was extended to the entire Church following the defeat of Muslim armies at Vienna on this day in 1683 by a Polish army fighting under the name of Mary. By her name, Christians refer to the person of the Virgin Mary, mother of God and mother of the Church.

13TH - ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.

Remembered for his simplicity of life, his care of the poor, the courage of his witness, and his effective preaching of the Scriptures.

14TH - THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS. A feast of the Lord, it celebrates the "lifting up" of the Son of Man on the cross, into glory, and the paradox of the cross as a sign of humiliation and death, yet the source of victory and life.

15TH - OUR LADY OF SORROWS. This commemoration originated in the medieval devotion to the seven sorrows of Mary. Approved for the Servite order in the seventeenth century, it was extended to the whole Western Church in 1814 by Pius VII in thanksgiving for his release from captivity under Napoleon. In the light of Simeon's prophecy about a sword piercing Mary's soul (Luke 2:35), the feast celebrates Mary, first disciple and first to share in the pain and triumph of the cross.



**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020
Bega Listening Session**

22nd September 10 - 11:30am

What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

The Bishops wish to hear from all voices whether people are active or not.

Tea & Coffee provided, please bring a plate to share.

More information: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL
A Parish Renewal Program

Saturday 13th October
11am-3pm

St Patrick's School Hall
More information 6492 1058

Please register at

www.joyofthegospel.org.au

Please bring some lunch to share, tea & coffee provided.

