

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, alleluia!

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

ROSTERS - 11th/12 April 2026
 Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm
Commentator S Berman
Readers H Wollett
Cleaners Green

Candelo Sun 9:30am
Commentator Ann Haesy
Readers Kevin Dodds
Cleaners - April Sharon & Michael Heffernan

Tathra Sun 7:45am
Commentator Pat Platts
Readers David Grainger
Cleaners Marj Bower
Audio-Visual Kate D'Arcy
Eucharistic Ministers Mark Oakley, Pat Platts

Bega Sat 6pm
Commentator Mel Ferris
Readers Ayesha Twyford
Gifts Volunteer
Music Matt Heffernan
Acolyte Frank Ferrell
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 - 7:15am 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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Easter Sunday - Year A
St. Patrick's Parish
St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo Star of the Sea, Tathra.

5th April 2026

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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.

The Silences of Easter



Easter greetings! We all come to Easter with a sense of joy and hope in our very troubled world.

One way of deepening the joy of Easter in our hearts is to reflect on some of the great Easter Biblical texts. A possibility is to read quietly the direct speech of the Risen Jesus in the Scripture and to omit the narratives. These are the parts that largely talk about the background details.

For example, in John 20 there is the encounter of the Risen Lord with Saint Mary Magdalen. We listen to the following, “Woman why are you weeping? Tell me where have you put him? ...Mary...Rabboni.”



By doing so two aspects emerge. First, is to savour even more deeply the words of the Risen Jesus to those who are realising gradually that He has Risen from the Dead. Secondly, this requires from us a great deal of silence between the different direct words. These silences are not just any sort of silences. These are silences of attentive listening to the Living Word of God in the Easter Gospels. By listening carefully, we allow the Word of God to “Easter in us.”

The Silences of Easter can help us compare the noisiness of what is happening in the world today. The noise of missiles hitting buildings and innocent people. The noise of people talking on and on about political strategies. The talk of warfare and belligerence.

All of this is replaced with the great inner strength of silently listening to the Lord and for Jesus to strengthen us deep within. We can then go out into the world and truly be joy and hope. We will try not to use threatening language or words that scatter rather than unite.

In this Easter Season, let us therefore penetrate, more deeply than ever, the hidden Silences of the Gospel texts of Easter.

Allow these Silences to give us greater inner strength to be people of great hope and joy in a noisy world filled with hurtful words and actions.

Archbishop Christopher Prowse - Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn.

Winter Mass Times With the end of daylight savings all evening mass times will change from the 11th April. ✦ Bega Tuesday 4pm; ✦ Candelo Saturday Vigil 5pm; ✦ Bemboka Saturday Vigil/ Liturgy 5pm.

Parish Office Hours: Closed 14th & 16th April - Thank you.

Catholic Voice. The print edition of the Catholic Voice is now available. You can also follow via: ✦ <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicVoiceAustralia/>
✦ <https://www.instagram.com/thecatholicvoice/> ✦ <https://www.youtube.com/catholicvoice>

RCIA: if you are interested in becoming a Catholic please contact Father Adrian.

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Traditionally in Australia, a special Collection has been taken up on Good Friday to support the Franciscans who administer and maintain the Holy Land pilgrimage sites. If you would like to contribute please use the envelopes at the entrance and return in the 2nd collection. Thank you.

Peace Rosary: With the traditional Easter Celebrations in Jerusalem cancelled, the Latin Patriarchate is asking that we pray the rosary for peace in the Middle East. For more information visit Palestinian Christians in Australia: <https://palestinianschristians.org.au>

St Christopher's Cathedral archival display: 13-17th April. As part of the 2026 ACT Heritage Festival, the Archdiocesan Archive is hosting an exhibition of items relating to our Cathedral. In Haydon Hall, for 1 week commencing Sunday 12 April 12.30. Open week of 13th-17th April 12-2PM.

The Sistine Chapel Revelations Exhibition. St Mary's Sydney May - July. This immersive exhibition brings Rome to Sydney through a remarkable recreation of this patrimonial treasure, making the art of Michelangelo accessible to all in a state-of-the-art spatial, & contemplative experience. More info & book tickets: <https://sistinechapelsydney.com.au>

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
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Weekdays

- Tuesday 5.00pm Bega Chapel
- Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
- 8-9am Tathra 'Holy Hour'
- 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

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Barry Cooper

ANNIVERSARIES Una Lehman, Denise Mulligan, Eva Richards

Feasts Days

- 5th - **St Vincent Ferrer**, Priest 1350-1419. A Dominican friar who quickly distinguished himself in converting many to Christ. Remembered chiefly for preaching repentance on his missions throughout France, Spain and Italy.
- 7th - **St John Baptist de la Salle**, Priest 1651-1719. Pioneered schools for poor boys and the working classes, the training of teachers, and the care of disturbed children. He formed his companions into the Brothers of the Christian Schools.
- 11th - **St Stanislaus**, Bishop & Martyr 1030-1079. Murdered on the orders of the king of Poland for his outspoken condemnation of corruption. Remembered for his reforms, his preaching, and his pastoral concern.



Minute Meditations - Love the Unlovable

As Jesus noted, loving our neighbour is easy when our neighbour is lovable. The challenge is to love the unlovable. So it is with loving oneself. It is easy to love yourself when all is well. The challenge is to love yourself when you are down or grumpy, when you are angry or disappointed with yourself, when you sin.

Can you obey his command?

- from St. Anthony Messenger's "Jesus' Forgotten Commandment: Forgive Yourself" by Richard Patterson, PhD.

Wise Words:

Holy Saturday is the day of hope. Situated between Good Friday and Easter Saturday, it is a kind of no man's land between the despair of the disciples and their joy on Easter morn. It is the place where hope is born.

- Pope Francis



Sacramental Programme 2026 - this year we are offering First Reconciliation and First Communion to students in year 3 and above. Parents information night 13th May. Enrolments now open: <https://forms.gle/JKvq2eUNgH2MjYYP7> Flyer at entrance.



Easter Sunday

Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!
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Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty this Lent.

