Holy Family Como Bulletin

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Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am, Friday 7pm,

Reconciliation: 5.30pm Saturday Baptisms, Marriage & Funerals: By appointment Only

Adoration: Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm Safeguarding Officers: Mark Ferroa 0425454763 & Breda Pires 0422237261



Sunday 4th September 2022

"Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple" Luke 14:27

Priorities

What in your life is a higher priority than your relationship with God? That's what Jesus wants us to look at in this Sunday's Gospel reading. Which people? What work? What trial? What possessions? What friendships? What goals? What activities?

What crosses do you want to get rid of that, if you do escape from them, would require you to abandon Jesus on his cross?

(Hint: What sacrifices of love are you unwilling to make?)

Jesus says that unless we are first and foremost committed to discipleship — learning from him and making every effort to become more like him — we are ill prepared for all the other tasks of life.

In other words, we can start building toward good goals, but if our relationship with Christ is not our highest priority, we'll miss his guidance and his surprises and his blessings. We'll get distracted by worldly interferences and sin. We'll become victims instead of victors in the battles we face. Anything good that we achieve will be less than the best, because there is much more in the kingdom of God than what we can imagine.

A disciple is a student. We learn from Jesus how to love others, even when this becomes a cross to carry. He teaches us how to live a life of joyful love but also of unconditional, forgiving love. And we learn from him how to put up healthy, holy boundaries against those who interfere with our spiritual growth, and this too can be a cross.

The strength to follow Christ and become more and more like him every day requires a conscious effort to grow stronger in our ability to carry our crosses while uniting ourselves to his cross and to his strength. When we lack this intimate bond with Christ, we stumble and fall, crushed by the weight of our crosses. But if we are willing to make sacrifices out of love for others, like Jesus did, we embrace him more fully and we receive his love more deeply. And this is the most satisfying way to live!

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Consider your daily activities: What are your top priorities? What do you value more than the time you spend with Jesus in prayer, scripture, and other faith-building activities?

Questions for Family & Community Faith Sharing:

What are some common ways that we move God down in priority? By making him our highest priority, what are ways that we can lovingly show concern for others even while putting God ahead of them in our daily activities?

Let us Pray: My Lord, help me to understand that without Your love I cannot love others, and without leaving my old life in Your hands I cannot live in Your Spirit of love. Amen.

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Covid Prayer

Lord Jesus when you walked with us on earth you spread your healing power. We entrust to you the families and communities affected by Coronavirus, wherever they may be. We pray especially for health care workers, that you may guide and protect them. We pray that your spirit might inspire those researching new medicines and treatments. Grant us the courage not to rush back to our old ways, but to rebuild our world together, creating foundations of justice, with equality and peace for all. And in the midst of this, keep us strong in faith, hope and love. We lift our prayer to you Lord, and trust in your infinite mercy, as we wait for the daybreak. Amen





HOLY FAMILY DIARY

5th - 11th Sept 2022

Monday 5th September No Mass

Tuesday 6th September 9.00am Communion Service Bethany prayer group

Wednesday 7th September 9.00am Mass 9.30am Craft Group - Meeting rm 1

Thursday 8th September 9.00am Mass - followed by adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Friday 9th September 7.00 pm Mass

Saturday 10th September 6.00pm Mass

Sunday 11th September 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass



Wedding Anniversaries September 2022

We congratulate the following parishioners celebrating their anniversaries this month: Mike & Elka Zekulich. Brian & Margaret Jarvis, Gloria & Eric Armstrong, Ted & Flo Cue. Tom & Pam Morshead, Patricia & John Williams. Kevin & Betty Mitchell, Stephen & Mary Tan, Bernie & Michelle Roberts, Rudy & Katherine Llanos, Tony & Cecilia Bray, Dot & Tony Elder. Dan & Claire Hegarty, Adam & Elly Nevin, Peter & Amy Tsia, Pat & Kamille Nogoy, Tony & Breda Pires, Adam & Jeanette Drury Patrick & Carina Pestana Robert & Anthia Loh God bless you on your special day

Safeguarding Week (5th-11th Sept)

The Parish of Como and the Diocese of Perth are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported.

For more information: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsu nday

Happy Father's Day

We would like to wish all the Dads in this Parish a wonderful Father's Day.

Congratulations to the following raffle winners:

1st Prize: Ted Lincoln (Red E83) 2nd Prize: Peter Quinn (Pink L96) Jim Beam: Monica Kaur (No.75) Thank you to all parishioners for your participation & generous donations, we have raised \$916

Father's Day Prayer

God, Bless all the fathers in the world. We ask that You guide them to be good role models and loving to their children. Bless those who have lost a spouse to death or divorce who are parenting their children alone. Strengthen them by your love that they may be and become the loving, caring persons they are meant to be. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ukulele Group

Starting 10th September, the Ukulele group is back. We would like to invite all parishioners who like to learn Ukulele or even just sing along to come and join them. The Ukulele group will meet every Saturday, 1-3pm at the Parish Hall

SAVE THE DATE

Youth Mass - 18th September, 10am Parish AGM - 18th September, 11am Children Mass – 16th October, 10am Confirmation – 29th October, 6pm International Dinner – 13th Nov, 11am

Catholic Mission Appeal

This weekend is Catholic Mission Appeal weekend. We would like to welcome Francis Leong, the Director of our Perth Office, to deliver the appeal message

National Church Census

Our parish will be conducting National Church Census this weekend

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Patricia Cowley and Anne Tyler for making and donating sashes to be used by our Confirmation candidates at their Confirmation later this year. We would also like to thank Wendy Burke for preparing scores of sashes for so many Confirmation Ceremonies in the past without charge.

The generosity of these ladies is much appreciated by Fr Ossie and the Sacramental Program.



MASS OFFERING

All Fathers – living and deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Sodality Past & Present Wellbeing of Paul & Dorothy Hwee,

Soul of Audrey Loo (recently deceased)



POWER OF PRAYER

Maureen, David, Fitzgerald Family Elena Bettie, Norah Langshaw, Watson Family, Waminda Residents, Stella & Family, Reamae David, Mary Colladel, Deb, Pam, Grace McGlynn Marie Lacy, Dragutin Markovic, Maureen Galligan, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, John & Mary Hippolite, Joy & Reg Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Maria & Frank O'Connor, David, Rhys, Luke, Margaret & Brian Short, Marion, Heather Jordan, Michela Drake, Jeremy & Stephanie, Ali MacPherson, Louise Wynne, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Ng Choon Poh, Andy Lubke, Gary Caulfield, Rebecca, Howard Evans, Paul Reed, Anne Hickey, Serafini Family, Mekalya, Theo & Oscar, Gunawan Sumana, Carmencita Barrios, Francisco Flores, Marcela, Jonathon, Giorgina, Edie, Arthur, Ethan, Gwen & Eardley, Elizabeth and Kevin, Dorothy Healy, Kate Bonner, Tom Core, Wendy Burke, Garth & family, Michael & Nadia, Aloysius Lee, Melvyn Rose, Sonali, Sachini, Alice Chummar, Annamma Jose

SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT STATEMENT

Holy Family Parish Como is committed to providing a safe & secure environment for all its members, leaders, especially its children & vulnerable adults. The care, safety & welfare of children & vulnerable adults is a collective responsibility embedded in policies & practices of the Parish which reflect a commitment to a

7 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:

zero tolerance to abuse.

You can shout, STOP or NO! if someone tries to touch your private body parts. Then go and tell a trusted adult.

This message is placed at the request of the Safeguarding Office of the Perth Archdiocese.

More information at: safequarding.perthcatholic.org.au

The 23rd Sunday in Ord Time - Year C

FIRST READING

Wisdom 9:13-18

What man indeed can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent you holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

SECOND READING

Philemon 9:10.12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you and with him - I could say - a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood- brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish". Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.

Next Sunday's Readings:

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 32:7-11,13-14 // Psalm 50:3-4,12-13,17,19 1 Tim 1:12-17 // Luke 15:1-32

The Holy Family AGM is scheduled for Sunday 18th September after the 10am Mass.

Please join us for a rundown on Parish business including a financial statement for the past year.

Nomination forms are available in the foyer, if you are considering a position as a councillor of the Holy Family Parish Pastoral Council. Criteria for Council membership includes:

- •Catholics who are active members of the Parish community and have reached the age of eighteen and have an interest in the welfare of all parishioners
- •A desire to be of service to the parish community
- •A keenness to promote the teachings of the Catholic Church
- •An ability to work cooperatively and constructively with all members of the Council and
- A sufficiency of time to devote to Council duties.

Positions are also available for the Finance Committee. Please make inquires at the Parish office.

We look forward to your presence and support at the upcoming AGM.

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Children's Corner

Being a disciple of Jesus is not easy. But we pray for wisdom, knowing that God will lead us to a life where we will not only be able to serve God and others, but one where we will also be very happy.

Let us Pray

Dear Jesus, please help me to live the way God wants me to live and to love God more than anything else. In your name we pray. Amen.

ROSTERS										
	Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am							
COMMENTATOR/READER										
3 rd /4 th September 2022 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saschelle Blake	Jill Browne	Henry D'Silva							
10 th /11 th September 2022 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Dimitrio Sidi	Geraldine Taylor	Cyril D'Silva							
	ACOLYTE									
3 rd /4 th September 2022 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vince Scanlan	Bill Staude	Dimitrio Sidi							
10 th /11 th September 2022 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Hasan Sidi	Joni Wijaya	James Chong							
ALTAR SERVER										
3 rd /4 th September 2022 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Elisha Seow Edith Johnson	Sam Le Febvre Claudia Taylor Beard	Bryan Chong Shiori Ong							
10 th /11 th September 2022 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Nicholas Willey Hugh Morris	Palak Vadukoot Patrick Newman	K Don Shannel Saheli D'Silva							
CHOIR										
3 rd /4 th September 2022 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sagrada Familia	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir							
10 th /11 th September 2022 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Samuel Yeow (Organist)	Holy Family Choir	Burmese Choir							
Volunteer Needed We are seeking a volunteer expe										

audio-visual system. Please contact the office if you can help. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated.









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