Holy Family Parish Bulletin Como - Kensington





Weekend Masses Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am Weekday Masses: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm - 5.30pm Baptisms and Marriage: Email: holyfamilycomocatholic@gmail.com Adoration: Thursday 9.30am-10.30am Safeguarding Officers: Mark Ferroa 0425454763 & Breda Pires 0422237261 Sacramental Program: Mark Ferroa Email: comocath.sacramental@ymail.com Funerals: Please call office or email

7th Sunday in Ordinary time - Year C

Sunday 23rd February 2025 The Liturgy of the Word



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

FIRST READING Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So, in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him. Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them. David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them, David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

SECOND READING

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

8th Sunday in Ord Time Yr C Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7 Psalm 91:2-3.13-16 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45

PARISH DIARY 24th Feb - 2nd March 2025

MONDAY 24th February No Mass

TUESDAY 25th February 9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 26th February 9.00am Mass

THURSDAY 27th February 9.00am Mass 9.30am - 10.30am Adoration

FRIDAY 28th February 9.00am Mass

SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Mass (Sacramental

Enrolment Mass)

SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 8th Sunday in Ordinary time

8.30am Mass (Morning Tea) 10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

ASH WEDNESDAY - 5th MARCH

Mass to be celebrated 9.00am and 7.00pm in the evening.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Start Friday 7th March at 7.00pm and will continue every Friday during the season of Lent

Congratulations to the following couples who are celebrating their anniversaries in February:

Robin & Tita Sy Suan Geraldine & Mike Taylor Randolph & Anna Francis Lindy & John Fitzgerald Mark & Mary Casey Cora & Ray McBeath Cathal & Lesa Lennon Aimee and Tom Miszczak Joe & Joanne Zappia God bless you on your special day!

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TODAY

Farewell Morning Tea for Josie & Bill Staude

after the 8.30am mass The parish is having a farewell morning tea for long time parishioners Bill & Josie Staude, who will be moving out of the area after more than 60 years in the parish. Please

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST HOLY "MEN'S SHED" MINISTRY

This ministry for anyone with skills in metal work, woodwork, audio, visual & IT to help maintain sacred equipment in the church. Robert Bonolo the famous metal worker will be part of this ministry. If you are interested, please email Father Dat direct at:

dat.vuong@perthcatholic.org.au

THE YEAR OF THE JUBILEE 2025 'Pilgrims of Hope'

For information on the Jubilee and what it means for Catholics please see the church noticeboard. There are also copies of the Decree on the Granting of the Indulgence for you to take home.

THE YEAR OF THE JUBILEE 2025 'Pilarims of Hope'

If you would like to be apart of our parish local pilgrimage group, please show your interest for participating in these pilgrimages by putting your name down on the sign-up sheet in the foyer or emailing Joanne or Mareen in the office at

como@perthcatholic.org.au.

A tentative date for our next local pilgrimage to some of the designated sites for the Year of the Jubilee is Monday 2 June (Foundation Day public holiday).

MASS INTENTIONS:

Jones, Hans Fuderer If you would like a mass offered, please pass your offering envelope to Father before mass on the day.

Anniversary: Jill Bray & James

Father will read out the names at the beginning of Mass.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Stella & Family, Reamae David, Dragutin Markovic, Maureen Galligan, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, Mary Hippolite, Reg & Joy Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Serafini Family, Josie Staude, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Paddy Embry, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Norman Bickley, Amondo Robels & Fe Fontanini, Eric, Kerry & John Hardwick, Jake Manricks, Michael, Nadia, Adrian, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Margaret Harrington, Edith Johnson, Barry O'Malley, Rhys, Brit, David, Janelle, Molly, Marlene Bissett, Brian Schofield, Ross Moir, Chris Baker, Ann Salmon, Jeffrey Bonser, Natasha & Paul Sanderson, Lynn Errington, Susan Pyper, Elaine, Barbara, Julie & Ray, Betty Dundon, Declan & Family, Jessie Amphlett, Rita Anderson, Brendan, Joshua, Roy Camille, Antonette & George, Mark Lewis, Alyssa & Genaro, Yolanda, Sarah, Nubia, Aura, Diego, William and family, Nicola Synnott, Carmel Lee, Joanna, Sarina, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Carmel, Osnain Family, Ambiga Selvendra, Veronica Fitzgerald, William, Baby BB, Gladys, Gloria, Hector, Cristina, Myriam, Carlos, Flias, Rev Fr Peter Mao, Almonte Family, Bernadette, Heather D, Emer Heery, Fred, Anita, Rosalie & Goldie, Gabrielle & Lilian Hayes

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 zero tolerance to abuse

8 of 12 Safeguarding Messages: Tell a trusted adult if you are worried. Keep on telling until someone believes you and helps you.

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

GOSPEL REFLECTON

In the Gospel of today's Liturgy, Jesus gives some basic life guidance to the disciples. The Lord refers to the most difficult situations, those that confront us with those who are enemies and hostile to us, those who are always trying to do us harm. In such cases, the disciple of Jesus is called not to give in to instinct and hatred, but to go further. Go beyond instinct, go beyond hatred. Jesus says: "Love your enemies", do good to those who hate you". And even more concretely: "To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also". When we hear this, it seems that the Lord is asking the impossible. And why love your enemies? If you do not react to the bullies, every abuse of power is given free rein, and this is not right. But is it really so? Let us consider first and foremost that sense of injustice that we feel in "turning the other cheek". And let us think of Jesus. During the passion, he receives a slap from one of the guards. And how does He react? He says to the guard, "If I have spoken wrongly, bear witness to the wrong; but if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?". He asks for an account of the wrong done to him. Jesus, with his question, denounces what is unjust. But he does so without anger, without violence, indeed with kindness. This is turning the other cheek: Jesus' mildness is a stronger response to the slap he received. Turning the other cheek is not the withdrawal of the loser, but the action of one who has a greater inner strength. This attitude is dictated not by hatred, but by love. Let us come to another objection: is it possible for a person to come to love his or her enemies? If it depended only on us, it would be impossible. But let us recall that, when the Lord asks for something, he wishes to give it. The Lord never asks for something he has not already given us first. When he tells me to love my enemies, he wants to give me the capacity to do so. Think of someone who has wronged us. Each one of you, think of a person. It is common for us to be hurt by someone; think of that person. Perhaps we hold a grudge within. So, let us set alongside this resentment the image of Jesus, meek, during the trial, after the slap. And then let us ask the Holy Spirit to act in our heart. Finally, let us pray for that person. Praying for those who have wronged us is the first step to transforming evil into good.

Pope Francis, 20.02.22 Angelus, St Peter's Square

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL TOUR GUIDES INFORMATION EVENT THURSDAY 20 MARCH 2025, 10:30AM

At St Mary's cathedral, we have a very enthusiastic band of volunteers who conduct tours for schools, public and private organisations and the general public. This voluntary Ministry was founded in February 2011 and has grown over the years from two to eight tour guides. However, it is now time to increase our numbers.

On THURSDAY 20 MARCH at 10:30AM, we will be conducting a tour followed by a light morning tea in the Cathedral's Parish Centre. The aim of the 'Open Day' is a fact-finding event for those individuals who are available during the week and would like to find out more of what is involved in the Ministry. You will be able to ask questions, meet the other guides and perhaps decide to join us. Your commitment would only be determined by your availability and may be just one tour every month or so for approximately 1hr. All necessary training and resources are provided. To register your attendance, or for more information, please contact Carol Young (Tour Guide Co-ordinator) on 0417 097 455, or email her at caroly7@bigpond.com.

THE MARY MACKILLOP TODAY – BREAKFAST IN THE GARDEN

The Mary MacKillop Today Breakfast in the Garden will be held on **Saturday 8th March**. Come along together and support this worthy cause. We hope to see you there. **Click here** for flyer. For catering purposes please **RSVP before 4th March** to Roberta Scanlan **robscan52@icloud.com** or 0459 364 872.

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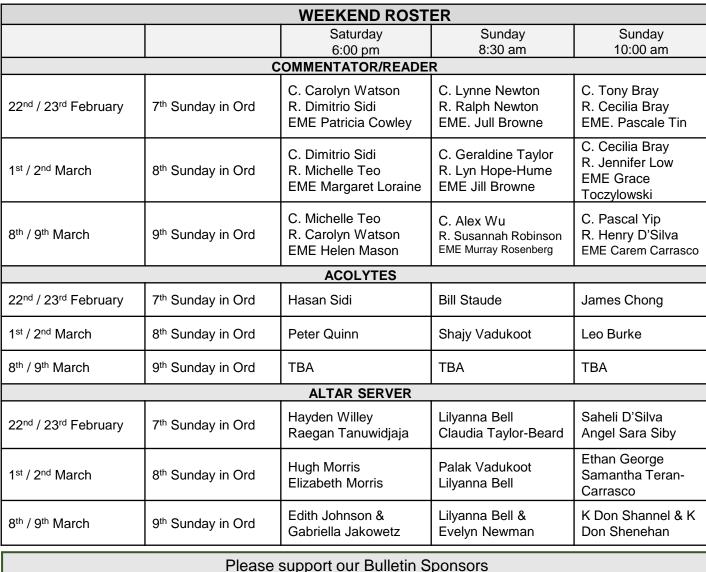


7th SUNDAY IN ORD TIME - YR C

After David, the shepherd boy, had killed the giant Goliath, he went to live at King Saul's palace. Everyone loved David because he was brave and good, and before long, King Saul became jealous and decided to kill him. David managed to escape into the desert, but King Saul and his army followed him there.

LET US PRAY

Lord, help us to be brave and merciful like David, who was ready to forgive his enemy and show him a new way. Give us the courage and strength to do what we know is right.







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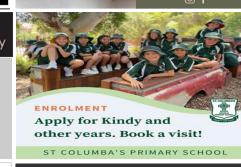
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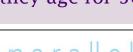
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