

Holy Family Parish Bulletin

Como - Kensington



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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

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C



Sunday 24th August 2025

The Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages he went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because I tell you, many will try to enter and not succeed. 'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from". Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!" Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.



Next Sunday's Readings:

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29 // Psalm 67:4-7, 10-11

Heb 12:18-19, 22-24 // Luke 14:1,7-14

PARISH DIARY
25th – 31st AUGUST 2025

MONDAY 25th August
9.00am No Mass



TUESDAY 26th August
9.00am Communion Service Only
10.30am Funeral – Barry O'Malley

WEDNESDAY 27th August
9.00am Mass

THURSDAY 28th August
9.00am Communion Service Only
9.30am **No Adoration**

FRIDAY 29th August
9.00am Communion Service Only

SATURDAY 30th August
5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation
6.00pm Mass

SUNDAY 31ST August
22nd Sunday of Ordinary time
8.30am Mass (Morning Tea)
10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

PLEASE NOTE:

This week Father Dat will be away at a priest's retreat. There will be a Communion Service **ONLY** on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

If you would like to receive a gluten free host, **please contact the office** advising what mass you would like to receive the host. 94505921 or email como@perthcatholic.org.au

NEXT PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Our 2nd parish pilgrimage will on Monday 29th September, at St John Paul II in Banksia Grove & St Anthony's in Wanneroo. Please fill in a slip & place in the general drop box in the foyer if you are interested

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Fathers' Day Raffle

Tickets are available for sale this week for Fathers' day hampers. There will be a 1st and 2nd prize.



Tickets are:

1 for \$2

3 for \$5

8 for \$10

20 for \$20

A Line Draw is also available for \$2 to win a bottle of whiskey

Winner will be drawn on 31st Aug after the 10am Mass

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

On Sunday, 14th September we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross invites the faithful to look upon the One who was lifted up, drawing all people to himself. Please wear **RED** and bring along your crucifix or cross and place them on the table at the altar for Father to bless.



HEALING PRAYERS

An accredited Archdiocesan Catholic Charismatic prayer team, Keith and Colleen Morgan, is offering their ministry to support our parishioners who seek comfort, hope, and healing, whether in body, mind, or spirit. This includes those facing financial hardship, struggling with broken relationships, or simply in need of prayerful support. Let them help you invite Jesus and Mary into the spaces of your life that feel burdened or unsettled. The prayer session takes just 5 to 15 minutes and will be held in private at the front of the chancel after a weekend Mass, once a month. If you're interested, please sign the sheet in the foyer or contact the parish office, indicating your preferred time: after the Saturday Vigil Mass or the 10:00 am Sunday Mass. The plan is to pilot this in September.



CHRISTMAS PREPARATION TEAM

If you would like to be a part of Christmas preparations in December, Please fill in a slip and place in the drop box.



SCHOOL REFERENCES

If you are requiring a school reference signed, please see Father Dat after the Mass.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you are requesting a house blessing please email Father Dat direct at: dat.vuong@perthcatholic.org.au

MASS INTENTIONS:

Recently Deceased: Barry O'Malley

Anniversary: Rosa Passarelli

If you would like a mass offered, please pass your offering envelope to Father before mass on the day. Father will read out the names at the beginning of Mass.

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Dragutin Markovic, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, Mary Hippolite, Reg & Joyce Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Paddy Embry, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Fe Fontanini, Kerry & John Hardwick, Jake Manricks, Michael, Nadia, Adrian, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Edith Johnson, Barry O'Malley, Rhys, Brit, David, Janelle, Marlene Bissett, Brian Schofield, Ross Moir, Chris Baker, Ann Salmon, Jeffrey Bonser, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Carmel, Msgr Brian O'Loughlin, Rosa Canada, Eileen Teuchert, Mercedes Rivera, Nelly Baez, June Robertson, Teresa Garcia, Yvonne Druce, M Love, Mel L, Brian Jarvis, Jeffry Zoysa, Karin Holly Grant, Giorgina Schmalkuche, Yolanda, Sarah, Molly, Fred, Mark, James, Chris, Doris Teo, Ben, Bahar, Margaret, L H Lee, Albert, Natasha Sanderson, Mark Oh, Hayley VanDerHeyden, Carey family, Daniel, Sanjana & family, Andrew Sanderson, Patricia Whyte, James Chandler, Nubia William, Aura Diego, Familia Becerra, Famia Cerinca, Annemarie MacPherson, Gladys, Gloria, Hector, Cristina-Myriam, Bill Staude, Ong Ay Hwa, Barbara Kenny, Sergio Manricks



CAN YOU PLAY THE PIANO, KEYBOARD OR ORGAN?

Our music ministry is looking for people who are interested in joining and who can play the organ, piano or keyboard. Please contact the office if you are interested on 94505921 or como@perthcatholic.org.au

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.

1 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:

Parents, teach your children the correct names for their private body parts.

This message is placed at the request of the Safeguarding Office of the Perth Archdiocese. More information at: safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au

This week we have another difficult passage from Luke, difficult in that it has layers of rejection and exclusion mounted within it. Perhaps it is best to begin from both ends of our passage. The opening setting is Jesus on his 'way' to Jerusalem. This turn to Jerusalem is a code in the Gospels revealing the threat of the Passion within his ministry itself. In a sense for Jesus the way of the Cross has begun. The final verses open up to the early Christians the horizon of discipleship. The Christian community is comprised of followers from every corner of the earth. You can see here the implicit reference to the first reading from Isaiah in which all the nations come to the mountain of the Lord. The message is that the last person you thought might enter the reign may well be the first to be allowed in.

In between these two bookends are some strong reminders for the followers of Jesus. Belonging has consequences for the way we live and the way we understand our place within the reign of God. It is not enough to be proximate to Jesus, standing in the shadow of the streets he walks and the meals he shares. It is to take up that walk to Jerusalem, to recognise that there will be struggle, and to respond in fidelity. Nor is it sufficient to be complacent in light of heritage. It is not enough to know about the master of the house or be able to recognise Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Something more is needed, and that is gleaned from the Gospel as a whole: to love. Jesus is challenging us to action rather than to identity, with the Cross in the background as a menacing motif. Jesus turns to Jerusalem out of love and obedience, and knows it is a costly journey. The passage from the prophet Isaiah carries much of this theme. The chosen people cannot be complacent because God can call from amongst all the peoples, who will attest the divine glory. The full chapter 66 from which our section is excised reminds Israel of the need to be faithful to God, and the temptation to only offer lip service. It also serves to remind them that the glory of God is not limited to one group, and certainly not to those whose worship is on the surface.

The glory of God is for all! The lection from the Letter to the Hebrews follows its own separate course. Building from last week's second reading, it reminds the community to endure. Their endurance and healing are a form of parental discipline, strengthening for what could come and encouraging them to embrace their current difficulties. It seems that the community requires some resilience training.

Pastoral Liturgy, Vol. 55
Reflection by Gerard Moore

Chief Justice Peter Quinlan to speak at Catholic Man Breakfast Series

The Chief Justice of Western Australia Peter Quinlan will speak at the Catholic Man Breakfast Series hosted by Most Rev. Don Sproston, Auxiliary Bishop of Perth, details as follows: Thursday 11th September 2025, 07:00 - 09:00, Duxton Hotel.

Tickets <https://app.tickets.org.au/MA/CMBSPer25>

Enquiries Ray Gourlay 0408 923 068

PATER NOSTER CATHOLIC CHURCH MYAREE MASSIVE BOOK FAIR - 30th & 31st August

Pater Noster Catholic Church, Cnr Marmion and Evershed Streets, Myaree will be having a Massive Book Fair, Saturday 30 August from 9am to 4pm and Sunday from 9am to 3pm. Books just \$2.00 each and EFTPOS available. Tea, coffee and snacks available gold coin donation. *Further info contact Ann Chew* sacraments@paternostermysaree.org.au.

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING COMMON GROUND - FAITH EDUCATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

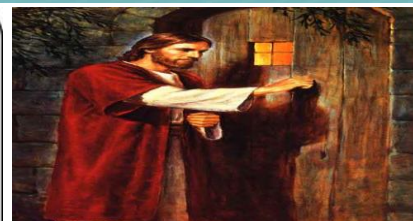
Wednesdays 6pm to 8.30pm, Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St, Highgate (enter through Harold St). Common Ground is a space where Young Adults who share similar values and beliefs come together and belong. Through faith formation, prayer, mission, ministry and social activities, Common Ground provides opportunities to grow in faith, deepen your relationship with God and explore what it means to live a life of purpose and meaning. Ask questions, share your struggles, and receive encouragement and guidance. Come along!

For more information visit www.cym.com.au.

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HOUSE	STREETS	WEEPING
GRINDING	TEETH	EAST



At the end of time, God will welcome all those who have been chosen to take their place with him in heaven.

LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, help us to live in God's way and always be ready to greet you. Though we make many mistakes, grant us your forgiveness and pour your grace into our hearts to make us strong again.

WEEKEND ROSTER

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
23 rd / 24 th August	21 st Sunday in Ord	C. Tony Pires R. Bred Pires EME Marie Tiley	C. Alex Wu R. Lyn Hope-Hume EME Rose Hart	C. Pascale Tin R. Dilshara Fernando EME Carem Carrasco
30 th / 31 st August	22 nd Sunday in Ord	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Carolyn Watson EME Linda Hernawati	C. Annette Newman R. Geraldine Taylor EME Murray Rosenberg	C. Rebecca Machado R. Jennifer Low EME Grace Toczylowski
6 th / 7 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ord	C. Sean De Souza R. Kimberley De Souza EMHC Marie Tiley	C. Jill Browne R. Geraldine Taylor EMHC Lyn Hope-Hume	C. Fiona Wee R. Pascale Tin EMHC Carem Carrasco
ACOLYTES				
23 rd / 24 th August	21 st Sunday in Ord	Dimitrio Sidi	Michael Taylor	Leo Burke
30 th / 31 st August	22 nd Sunday in Ord	Hasan Sidi	John Newman	Tony Bray
6 th / 7 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ord	TBA	TBA	TBA
ALTAR SERVER				
23 rd / 24 th August	21 st Sunday in Ord	Raegan Tanuwidjaja Dinuli Kariyakarawana	Claudia Taylor-Beard Dom Newman	Samantha Teran- Carrasco Jovan Halim
30 th / 31 st August	22 nd Sunday in Ord	Elizabeth Morris Hugh Morris	Lilyanna Bell Patrick Newman	Ethan George Delena Tran
6 th / 7 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ord	TBA	TBA	TBA

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