

Holy Family Como Bulletin



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Weekend Masses Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

Sunday 18th September 2022

"You cannot be the slave both of God and money" Luke 16:13

God's economics

Poverty, as exemplified by many Saints, is not the only path of holiness. This Sunday's Gospel reading tells us how a person can be affluent and holy at the same time — as exemplified by other Saints.

If we recognize that our possessions are gifts from God that are meant to enhance his kingdom, we are holy. But if we cling to money and material wealth as if they are meant only for our own benefit, we've divided ourselves from God, because God's Word emphasizes the importance of distributing to others a generous portion of everything we've received.

When acquiring wealth is a higher priority than distributing what we already have, God is not our master. This is true not only with material goods, but with everything else that is good, too.

We are all richly blessed one way or another: How readily do you use your riches for the benefit of others?

The "dishonest wealth" of which Jesus speaks is anything that "belongs to another". When we use other people's money (for example, taking out a loan from the bank) to our own advantage, we are not being trustworthy stewards unless it also glorifies the kingdom of God (for example, a bank loan for a house mortgage is good because it serves the family, but only as long as it doesn't require so much income that a bigger house means little time for the children.)

Likewise, if we misuse time by catering to selfish desires at the expense of those who need our attention, we are untrustworthy in the kingdom of God. Jesus wants to bless people through you. He has called you to be a distributor of his gifts. If we ignore this primary principle of God's economy, Jesus says, "Who will give you what is yours?"

What is ours, if we're trustworthy enough to be good stewards, are riches that will remain with us for all of eternity: the wealth of the spirit, the approval and praise of God, the fullness of love, etc.

To be holy with affluence, we have to first be trustworthy with the love that belongs to others — the love that God feels for them. Our trust-ability is found in the sharing of our temporal (earthly) goods as well as eternal goods (faith, wisdom, hope, etc.)

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What are you reluctant to share? What do you fear will happen if you surrender it to God for his use and his purposes? What do you need to do with this fear so that you can become a good steward of God's riches?

Questions for Family & Community Faith Sharing:

Name any material possession that seems to be used only for worldly or selfish purposes. Can it be converted into a gift for others and used for the glory of God? If so, how?

Let us Pray: Forgive me, Lord, for not entrusting to You the control of my finances. I have managed them for a long time by my selfishness and my wounds. Take the control today, my Savior, not only of my finances but of all my life as well. 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

Please bring this bulletin home


HOLY FAMILY DIARY
19th – 25th September 2022

Monday 19th September
 No Mass

Tuesday 20th September
 9.00am Communion Service
 Bethany prayer group

Wednesday 21st September
 9.00am Mass
 9.30am Craft Group – Meeting rm 1

Thursday 22nd September
 9.00am Mass – NO adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Friday 23rd September
 7.00 pm Mass

Saturday 24th September
 6.00pm Mass

Sunday 25th September
 26th 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**,
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 Pat & Kamille **Nogoy**,
 Tony & Breda **Pires**,
 Adam & Jeanette **Drury**
 Patrick & Carina **Pestana**
 Robert & Anthia **Loh**

God bless you on your special day

SAVE THE DATE
 Children Mass – 16th October, 10am
 Confirmation – 29th October, 6pm
 International Dinner – 13th Nov, 11am

National Day of Mourning
(22nd September)
 The Prime Minister has marked next Thursday, 22nd Sept to be a Public Holiday - National Day of Mourning. The 9am Mass will still proceed, but there will be no adoration. The office will also be closed.

Archbishop's Pastoral Letter
 The Archbishop is reinstating the Sunday Obligation from 4th September and inviting us, in light of health concerns, to a mature approach to our faith and a genuine concern for the common good of our society. If you have not picked up a copy, you can read it online at <https://smc.tiny.us/22aug>

'Walking with Wisdom Series'
 (via Zoom)
 4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October 2022, 10am-12.30pm
 This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another ... to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series. Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email office@heartoflife.melbourne

Scam alert!
 There are emails going around with Fr Ossie's name requesting for money. Please ignore those emails as Father has never sent such emails.

Children Liturgy and Adoration
 Please note that children liturgy and Thursday's adoration will be in recess during the school holiday



MASS OFFERING

Souls of Giulio Azzalini and Mary Pearl Lewis (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, Michael & Nadia, Kate Bonner, Tom Core, Wendy Burke, Rosemary Azzalini & family, Garth & family, Almonte Family, Botica Family, Billy, Sonali, Sachini, Ruth, Henry, Christine Pruden, Marguerite


Columban Calendar 2023
 Columban Art Calendar is now available for sale at the foyer for \$10


Morning tea is back!
 Our Parish morning tea will resume on the 25th September


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

9 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:
 Parents, create a 'safe word' for your family. When they are away from home, they can phone you, say the word, and you know you need to go and pick them up.

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

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The 25th Sunday in Ord Time - Year C

FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

'Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour; he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich, but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples, 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes." Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

Next Sunday's Readings:

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1,4-7 // Psalm 145:6-10

1 Tim 6:11-16 // Luke 16:19-31

Seasons of Creation (1st Sept – 1st Oct 2022)

O God of Love and Life, by your word, the heavens were made" (Ps 33:6).

The world came about as the result of your decision, not from chaos or chance.

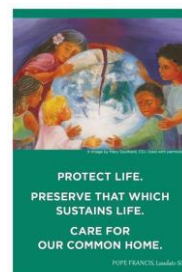
May we, who are also your beloved creatures, share your love and care for all that you have made.

May we contemplate creation in every place, hear its message, and listen to its paradoxical and silent voice.

May we sense each creature singing the hymn of its existence and live joyfully in God's love and hope.

May we discover, in each part of creation, the teaching which you wish to hand on to us. Amen.

Based on Pope Francis', "On Care for Our Common Home," Laudato Si, paragraph 84,85



The **Holy Family AGM** is scheduled for this **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 inquiries at the Parish office.

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

ROSTERS

	Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER			
17 th /18 th September 2022 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Amanda Johnson	Marianne Taylor	Jackson Blake Youth Mass
24 th /25 th September 2022 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Frank Giannini	Lyn Hope-Hume	Colette Shack
ACOLYTE			
17 th /18 th September 2022 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Carl Celedin	John Newman	Dimitrio Sidi
24 th /25 th September 2022 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Daniel Bianchini	Michael Taylor	James Chong
ALTAR SERVER			
17 th /18 th September 2022 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Raegan Tanuwidjaja Jackson Blake	Leo Newman Evelyn Newman	Bryan Chong Shiori Ong
24 th /25 th September 2022 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vasana Boonyothayan Elizabeth Morris	Claudia Taylor Beard <i>Volunteer needed</i>	K Don Shenehan K Don Shannel
CHOIR			
17 th /18 th September 2022 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Annalise (Pianist)	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir
24 th /25 th September 2022 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Annalise (Pianist)	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir

Ukulele Group

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



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