

Holy Family Como Bulletin



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Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm-5.30pm **Baptisms, Marriage & Funerals:** By appointment Only

Adoration: Thursday 9.30am-11.30am **Safeguarding Officers:** Mark Ferroa 0425454763 & Breda Pires 0422237261

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A Sunday 12th November 2023 The Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord

FIRST READING

Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. : My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as the lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, 'The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him.' At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, 'Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out.' But they replied, 'There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves.' They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. 'Lord, Lord,' they said 'open the door for us.' But he replied, 'I tell you solemnly, I do not know you.' So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

St Paul's Sunday Missal

"WATCH THEREFORE, FOR YOU KNOW NEITHER THE DAY NOR THE HOUR IN WHICH THE KING OF KINGS IS COMING"



Next Sunday's Readings

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

Ps 127: 1-5. R. v. 1

Thessalonians 5: 1-6

Matthew 25: 14-30

HOLY FAMILY DIARY

13th - 19th November 2023

Monday 13th November
No Mass

Tuesday 14th November
9.00am Mass
7pm Finance Meeting

Wednesday 15th November
9.00am Mass
9.30-11.30am Craft Group
6pm-8.30pm Parish Youth Grp - Hall

Thursday 16th November
9.00am Mass
9.30-11.30am Adoration

Friday 17th November
9.00am Mass

Saturday 18th November
6.00pm Mass

Sunday 19th November
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30am Mass
10.00am Mass



NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

During the month of November, we pray for the deceased, trusting them to the mercy of God. Mass intention envelopes are **available in the church foyer from 1st November**. Place your envelope in the box in the Church in front of the Baptismal Font. The envelope will then be placed on the commemorative curtain on the altar. Mass will be offered for the intentions of all envelopes throughout November.



Welcoming New Catholics into the Catholic Faith Community.

You (or someone you know) may have expressed a desire to join the Catholic Faith. Becoming Catholic today means joining an ancient faith, deeply rooted in the teachings and traditions of Christ, that is filled with hope and vibrancy as we continue to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. **An Introductory Session will be held at the Parish Centre on Sat 2nd Dec 11.00am – 12.30pm** Please contact Fr Dat, or Breda, or Tony to register interest in joining this journey. We also need **Sponsors** who will accompany Candidates along the way; to share your faith and consider the mysteries of our Faith together; and work together through the questions that arise. **Breda & Tony Pires (0418 900 046)**



CALLING ALL READERS

Those currently on the roster and those who would like to become a reader at Mass

- Please leave your name and contact details in the white box in the foyer if you would like to be a **new reader**.
- Note in your diary for all current readers, the **READER'S LUNCH** on 10th December 11am – 2pm. RSVP in the marked box in the foyer, if you haven't already done so.

This is a vital Ministry calling us to be the best we can so that God's Word is clearly heard, people's faith is enhanced, **Contact Marie Tiley for more information**

MASS OFFERINGS

Anniversary: Norma Forde, Antonina Orifici

Wellbeing: Francesca Policastro, Mary Zappia

The Power of Prayer list is now on the noticeboard. If you would like someone on the Power of Prayer, write their name on the form in the church foyer. The list will be updated each week.

Wedding Anniversaries November 2023

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

Tinnie & Norm **Bickley**,
Peter & Audrey **Ochman**,
Lloyd & Evadne,
Ping **Soon** & Teresa **Lau**,
Eugene & Jill **Browne**
Carl **Brettig** & Michel **Hung**
God bless you on your special day

CRAFT GROUP & FELLOWSHIP

Every Wednesday, 9.30am-12pm in Meeting Room 1, come join us, even if you are not crafty. Join in for some good fellowship, a chat, a cuppa and a biscuit, all for only 50c. For a relaxing morning please call Patricia on 93671301 for more info.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets on sale now to win one of four Christmas Hampers



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Drawn Sunday 17th December

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.*

SAVE THE DATES

Parish Christmas Carols

Saturday 9th December 7pm

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Wednesday, 13th December 7pm

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 21st November at 7pm

Advent Daily Reflection Booklets Available to buy in the office - \$5 each



2024 COLUMBAN & JOSEPHITE CALENDARS \$10.00 Each

Now available for sale in the church foyer



VOLUNTEERS FOR GARDENING

The gardening group **urgently need** help keep our parish gardens.

VOLUNTEER FOR CLEANING

Our parish also needs help with the cleaning of the parish.

VOLUNTEERS FOR GIVING COMMUNION IN AGED CARE

If you have spare time on Sunday, we need help administering communion at aged care facilities in the area. If you can help with any of the above, please contact the office ASAP, thank you

Pope Francis's Gospel Reflection

This Sunday, the Gospel indicates the condition that would allow us to enter the [Kingdom of Heaven](#), and it does so with the parable of the 10 virgins: it is about those maiden brides who were designated to welcome and accompany the bridegroom to the wedding ceremony and, since at that time it was customary to celebrate the ceremony at night, the maiden brides were provided with lamps. What does Jesus wish to teach us with this parable? He reminds us that we must be ready for the encounter with him. Many times, in the Gospel, Jesus exhorts keeping watch, and he also does so at the end of this narrative. He says: "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour". But keeping watch does not only mean not to sleep, but to be ready; if it were today, how prepared am I? But I must do this and that.... Be ready as if it were the last day: this does us good. The lamp is a symbol of the [faith](#) that illuminates our life, while the oil is a symbol of the [charity](#) that nourishes the light of faith, making it fruitful and credible. The condition for being prepared for the encounter with the Lord is not only faith, but a Christian life abundant with love and [charity for our neighbour](#). The Lord can come at any moment, and even the slumber of death does not frighten us, because we have a reserve of oil, accumulated through everyday good works. Faith inspires charity and charity safeguards faith.

Pope Francis, Angelus St Peter's Square 12-11-2017

NEW PARISH YOUTH GROUP

"Can we have a drum roll please....."

Inviting all Como youth (ages 18-25) to your brand-new Parish youth group - **be.love!** Join us every other Wednesday for a time of fun, formation, fellowship and food with other Christ-centred individuals! Our very first gathering will be **Wednesday 15th November 6-8:30pm** in the Parish Hall. We can't wait to see you 🙌

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS



LifeLink
Catholic Caring Agencies

The Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for Lifelink is being held throughout the Archdiocese this weekend

If you did not collect the Archbishop's Appeal Letter after Mass last weekend, **please collect one as you leave the Church today** or use one of the **special giving envelopes** which have been provided on the pews today.

We urge you to give generously to help the work of our Archdiocesan agencies which reach out to care for our brothers and sisters struggling in the community.

Please mail your Gift in the reply-paid envelope provided OR return your envelope and donation to the parish at any time over the coming weeks.

SAVE THE DATE

Advent Event on Modern Slavery

Almost 50 million people are experiencing modern slavery in our world today. In partnership with Catholic Mission, the WA Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office and the University of Notre Dame Australia, the Redemptorist Monastery is hosting the Advent Reflection on Modern Slavery in Word and Music at 7pm on Saturday 2nd December 2023. Please save the date for your family, friends & colleagues to experience this premier sacred music Advent concert in the Perth Archdiocese.

For more info contact

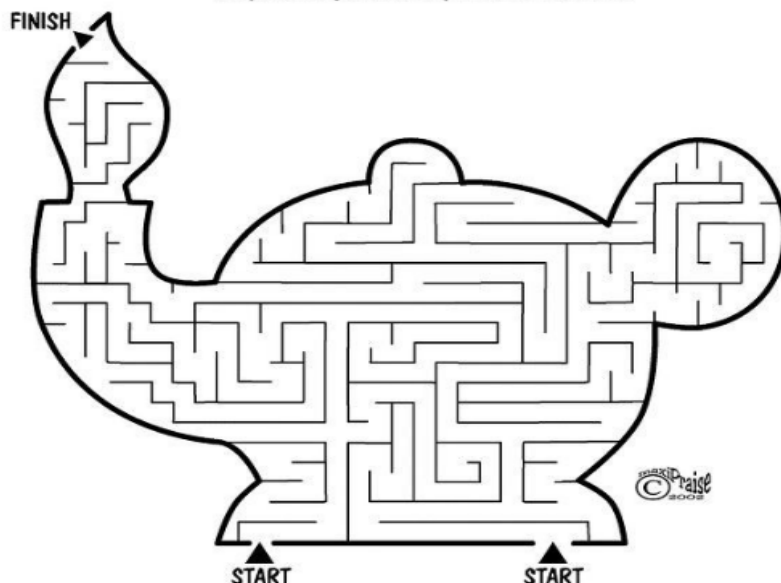
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KIDS' CORNER

The Ten Maidens

Just like the Ten Maidens who had a choice to take extra oil and be prepared for the coming of the bridegroom, you have a choice of which path to take. One will lead you to the light. The other path will lead to darkness.



Keep your lamp
full of oil,
The Lord
is coming soon.



32ND SUNDAY ORD TIME

It is easy to be ready for something to happen when we know the day and time to expect it, Today Jesus explains that we must always be ready for his return, even though no one knows when he will be coming.

LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, we know that one day you will return, and we will be with you in heaven. Help us to make each day our best, so that we will always be ready to greet you when you come.



ROSTERS				
		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
11 th /12 th November	32 nd Sunday in Ord	Helen Mason	Marianne Taylor	Fiona Wee
18 th /19 th November	33 rd Sunday in Ord	Frank Giannini	Lynne Newton	Anne Armstrong
ACOLYTE				
11 th /12 th November	32 nd Sunday in Ord	Hasan Sidi	John Newman	James Chong
18 th /19 th November	33 rd Sunday in Ord	Daniel Bianchini	Shajy Vadukoot	Dimitrio Sidi
ALTAR SERVER				
11 th /12 th November	32 nd Sunday in Ord	Elizabeth Morris Isabella Chiew	Dinuli Kariyakarawana Evelyn Newman	Bryan Chong Jovan Halim
18 th /19 th November	33 rd Sunday in Ord	Edith Johnson Vasana Boonyothayan	Palak Vadukoot Evelyn Newman	Delena Tran Ethan Tsia
CHOIR				
11 th /12 th November	32 nd Sunday in Ord	Loreto (Guitarist)	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir
18 th /19 th November	33 rd Sunday in Ord	St Pio	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir

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