

# Holy Family Como Bulletin



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**Weekend Masses** Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am **Weekday Masses:** Tuesday – Friday 9am  
**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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## First Sunday of Advent - Year B

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

### The Liturgy of the Word

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be out to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

#### FIRST READING

*Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8*

You, Lord, yourself are our Father. Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down - at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any God but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hide your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And, yet Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

#### SECOND READING

*1 Corinthians 1:3-9*

May god our father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking god for all the graces you've received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the spirit while you are waiting for our lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our lord Jesus Christ, because god calling you has joined you to his son, Jesus Christ; and god is faithful.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation **Alleluia!**

#### GOSPEL

*Mark 13:33-37*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with is own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

St Paul's Sunday Missal



#### Next Sunday's Readings

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - Year B

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Ps 85:9-14

2 Peter 3:8-14

Mark 1:1-8

## HOLY FAMILY DIARY

### 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

No Mass

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

9.00am Mass

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

9.00am Mass

9.30-11.30am Craft Group

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

9.00am Mass

9.30-11.30am Adoration

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

9.00am Mass

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

10.30am Children Christmas Choir

Practice

6.00pm Mass

7.00pm *Christmas Carols*

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent – Year B**

8.30am Mass

10.00am Mass

11.00am-2.00pm Readers Lunch



## ADVENT WREATH WEEKLY PRAYER

### First Week of Advent: (HOPE)

Jesus, as we wait for your coming, help us not to be afraid and to trust in you. As we light this candle, we remember that you bring the light of hope into our lives.

May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts. Amen.

## ON SALE NOW

### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets on sale to win one of four Christmas Hampers



1 for \$2

3 for \$5

8 for \$10

20 for \$20



Drawn Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December

## CHRISTMAS SEASON

**Parish Christmas Carols**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

**2<sup>nd</sup> Rite of Reconciliation**

Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

**Children's Christmas Mass**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 5pm

**Midnight Mass**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December

Midnight

**Christmas Day Masses**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 8.30am

and 10am

**Feast of the Holy Family**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December



Thank you to everyone who volunteer their help & bought food for the Parish lunch.

It was a great success, and we raised an amazing \$2877.95 for the upkeep and maintenance of our parish.



## You don't want to miss this .....

Inviting all Como youth (ages 18-30) to **be. loved** - your very own parish group! Our Reconciliation Day will be Wed, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 6-7pm in the Parish Hall. We will then join with the parish for 2<sup>nd</sup> Rite of Reconciliation Mass. We can't wait to see you ☺".

## SAVE THE DATE

**Father Dat's Installation Mass**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 10am**

Mass said by Bishop Don Sproxtton Lunch will follow, which will coincide the Chinese Luna New Year of the Dragon. All Parishioners invited to officially welcome Father Dat into our Parish.

## PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

We offer the option for EFT for both the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> collection:

### First collection

First collection supports the priests. BSB 086 006 A/C number 181363301

### Second Collection

Second collection supports the parish. BSB 036 050 A/C number 790041

Reference: Your Initial and Surname Any queries related to Planned Giving should be directed to the Parish Office.

## CALLING ALL READERS

Note in your diary for all current readers, the **READER'S LUNCH** is on 10<sup>th</sup> 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

**Recently Deceased:** Audre Gakona, Kevin Mitchell, Sandra Netherway

**Anniversary:** Francis & Mary Lewis, Mel Lewis, Henry & Rhona D'Roza, Lewis Families, Monstat Families, Dorothy & Charles Wadsworth, Ogle Families, Peter Turner, Rainford & D'Orter Families

## Wedding Anniversaries

### December 2023

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

Dorothy & Bill Chin,  
David & Katherine Gan,  
June & Malcolm Young,  
Bob & Pascale Tin,  
Dot & Greg Oliver,  
Wendy & Leo Burke,  
Michael & Stella Pang,  
Alvin & Jacqueline Kang,  
Roland & Cathy Ordonez,  
Shehani Alles & Don Dixon  
Eleanor & Julius Fernandez,  
Astrid & Coilles Ducarme,  
Brian & Sheila Walker,  
Jessica & Don Wall,  
Marisa & Colin Kwok  
Mareen & Ishan Peries



**God bless you on your special day**

## CONGRATULATIONS ON

### 60 YEARS

Holy Family would like to congratulate two very special parishioners, Eugene and Jill Browne as they celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. May God bless you and send his love to fill your hearts and his faith to light your way.

*Diamond Anniversary*

## 2024 COLUMBAN & JOSEPHITE

### CALENDARS \$10.00 Each

Still available for sale in the church foyer

## 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.

### 10 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:

Parents, talk to your children about safe and unsafe secrets.

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



## Gospel Reflection

Today, the First Sunday of Advent, a new liturgical year begins. In it, the Church marks the passage of time with the celebration of the main events in the life of Jesus and the story of salvation. In so doing, as Mother, she illuminates the path of our existence, supports us in our daily occupations and guides us towards the final encounter with Christ. Today's liturgy invites us to live the first "important Season", which is that of Advent, the first of the liturgical year, which prepares us for Christmas, and therefore it is a time of expectation and a time of hope. Advent is a continuous call to hope: it reminds us that God is present in history to lead it to its ultimate goal and to lead us to its fullness, which is the Lord, the Lord Jesus Christ. God is present in the history of humanity, He is the "God-with-us", God is not distant, He is always with us, to the extent that very often He knocks on the door of our heart. God walks beside us to support us. The Lord does not abandon us; He accompanies us through the events of our lives to help us discover the meaning of the journey the meaning of everyday life, to give us courage when we are under duress or when we suffer. In the midst of life's storms, God always extends His hand to us and frees us from threats. This is beautiful! He comes every day to visit His people, to visit every man and woman who receives Him in the Word, in the Sacraments, in their brothers and sisters. Jesus, the Bible tells us, is at the door and knocks. Every day. He is at the door of our heart.

*Pope Francis, 29.11.20 Angelus, St Peter's Square*

### CHRISTMAS CHILDRENS CHOIR

*Children's Mass 24<sup>th</sup> December 5pm*

This is an invitation for all children to participate in the children's singing group for the parish Children's Christmas Mass on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm.

There will be one hour practice sessions held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 10.30am in the church.

For further enquiries, please email Yunita at

[yoen.lay57@gmail.com](mailto:yoen.lay57@gmail.com)

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS



### WA Young Salesian - Summer Camp

**8-12 January 2024**

Are you between 11½-15 yrs or starting Year 7 in 2024? Come and join us for this 5-day fun filled camp at Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup. From only \$270 Visit the website or contact Graham on 0418 979 600 Register now at: [www.wayoungsalesians.com](http://www.wayoungsalesians.com)

**JESUS YOUTH (JY)** Looking for an adventure that'll shape your life's purpose?

Look no further than CATALYST 2.0: Set Your Purpose, brought to you by **Jesus Youth (JY)**! Join us for an unforgettable camp from Feb 16th to Feb 18th, 2024, at the beautiful Nanga Bush Camp. Whether you're a recent high school graduate or aged 18-25, this camp is designed just for you! Sign up now to enjoy our early bird discount until December 31st! For inquiries and registration, reach out to Tina at 0405712200 or Gibin at 0468843450.

**Jesus Youth** is a Holy See approved international ecclesial movement of the Catholic Church, which challenges young people to have a meaningful and fulfilling life. JY has been ministering for kids, teens, young adults, and families in Perth since 2007

### TOUCH OF HEAVEN - ALAN AMES MINISTRY

Tuesday, 5th December - 5.45 p.m.

Holy Mass followed by talk and healing service.  
St. Bernadette's Jugan St., Glendalough/Mt Hawthorn  
Phone: 94446131 for more information

## KIDS' CORNER

### ADVENT



### WORDSEARCH

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JESUS  
ADVENT  
CANDLE

JOSEPH  
PURPLE  
WREATH  
BELIEVE

REJOICE  
SAVIOUR  
EMMANUEL  
GOODNEWS  
ISRAEL



1st Week of Advent

### HOPE



### FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

The word Advent means coming. It is a time of waiting and expectation. Only God knows when the second coming will be, but in today's Gospel we are reminded that we must stay awake and be ready for Jesus when he returns at the end of time.



### LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, help us to live as you taught us, with our lives filled with love and goodness, so that we will be ready to greet you when you come again in glory.

ROSTERS				
		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> December	1st Sunday of Advent	Helen Mason	Jill Browne	Cecilia Bray
9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> December	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	Amanda Johnson	Peter Messer	Pascale Tin
ACOLYTE				
2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> December	1st Sunday of Advent	Hasan Sidi	Michael Taylor	Dimitrio Sidi
9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> December	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	Daniel Bianchini	John Newman	Leo Burke
ALTAR SERVER				
2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> December	1st Sunday of Advent	Gabriella Jakowtz Lilyanna Bell	Ethan George Raegan Tanuwijaja	Evelyn Newman Saheli D'Silva
9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> December	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	Hayden Willey Palak Vadukoot	April Hadiyanto Isabelle Chiew	Claudia Taylor Beard Delena Tran
CHOIR				
2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> December	1st Sunday of Advent	Sagrada Familia	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir
9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> December	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	Samuel Yeow (Organist)	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir

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